

**French I**

		<b>Description of Average Weekly Outside Requirements</b>	
<p><b>Main Topics (What main ideas/concepts will be covered?):</b></p> <p>Modes of communication: listening, reading, interpersonal communication, speaking and writing.            Intercultural standards: culture, connections, comparisons and communities.            *The cultural focus in French I will be Paris. Students will learn about the history of Paris and its influence on the world through the study of its landmark monuments.</p>	<p><b>Rationale (Why should a student take this course?)</b></p> <p>* Fulfills the college entrance FL requirement            * French provides the base for more than 50% of the modern English vocabulary, which improves performance on standardized tests.            *Competitiveness in the national and international job market in disciplines like business, medicine, aviation, law, transportation technologies, global/international distribution and luxury goods.            *French is the official working language of the UN, NATO, UNESCO, the International Olympic Committee, the European Union, the International Red Cross and much more!</p>	<p><b>Reading (Text, document, etc):</b></p> <p>Students will read daily in French using the textbook, short stories, or teacher generated materials.</p>	<p><b>Written (Terms, questions, outlines, free response, etc):</b></p> <p>Students will be responsible for writing short essays in French, following a model. They will write daily in French practicing grammatical structure and vocabulary.</p>
<p><b>Grade Composition (How are grades determined?):</b></p> <p>Written and oral tests            Quizzes            Daily participation            Homework            Projects</p>	<p><b>Skill Development (What skills are developed in this course and how?)</b></p> <p>Students will understand and interpret information, concepts and ideas orally and in writing through listening, reading, writing and speaking French. They will also recognize the importance of learning a second language.</p>	<p><b>Sample Textbook Excerpt:</b>  <i>Discovering French Bleu ; Valette – Valette</i></p> <p>Pour beaucoup de gens, la tour Eiffel est le symbole de Paris. Cette immense tour de fer a trois cent mètres de haut. Elle a été inaugurée en 1889 (dix-huit cent quatre-vingt-neuf) par l'ingénieur Gustave Eiffel. Du sommet de la tour Eiffel, on a une très belle vue sur Paris.</p> <p>Narrative :            Tous les jeunes Français connaissent Tintin. Tintin n'est pas une personne réelle. C'est le héros d'une bande dessinée très populaire en France et dans le monde entier. « Les Aventures de Tintin » ont été publiées en français, mais aussi en anglais, en espagnol, en italien, en chinois, en japonais . . . au total dans 40 langues différentes.</p>	
<p><b>Required Skills (What skills are necessary to be successful in this course?)</b></p> <p>A positive attitude and an open mind to other cultures.</p>			