

FOREIGN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

French Course I

COURSE NO.: 05110

LENGTH: 40 wks.

GRADE LEVEL: 8-12

CREDITS: 1

PREREQUISITES: Completion of Middle School course French B, or approval to accelerate from French A to Course I.

COURSE DESCRIPTION & OBJECTIVES:

The major emphasis of this course is on the spoken language. Through dialogue and student to student interchange, each student is forced to think and express himself in the target language. Various audio-visual materials are used to convey new vocabulary, thereby eliminating the use of English in the classroom.

Music and videos expose the student to the varied and exciting cultures of the francophone world.

The objectives of the course are to teach proper pronunciation, give a solid grammatical foundation in the language, enable students to communicate in simple French, impart some knowledge of the culture and civilization of the francophone world.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROCESSES & MATERIALS:

1. Teacher to student question and answer drills
2. Student to student conversation in the form of question and answer
3. Repetition drills
4. Memorization of vocabulary
5. Worksheets on specific grammatical points

COURSE REQUIREMENTS & EVALUATION CRITERIA:

The following are in order of importance:

- Cumulative unit tests
- Frequent quizzes
- Classroom participation and homework
- A well organized notebook

Students are expected to complete daily homework assignments and to thoroughly master vocabulary presented and used in class.