

Murrieta Valley High School

Course Syllabus

Course Title: French 1	Teacher Name: Marsolais
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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The goals of this course are to provide students with information, resources, and strategies to help them become introduced to reading, writing, listening, and speaking French, while encouraging students to experience different cultures and perspectives and to prepare students for French level two

COURSE CONTENT OBJECTIVES:

Curriculum is designed to teach students cultural aspects relevant to the French speaking culture while improving grammar and speaking skills. Over the course of the year we will use the présent, futur proche and passé composé tenses, adjectives and object pronouns. Concepts studied include but are not limited to introductions, school and leisure activities, food, and daily habits.

ABSENT WORK MAKE-UP POLICY: (per MVHS Student Handbook page 10)

When a student is absent from school, **it is his/her responsibility to contact teachers upon returning to school regarding make-up work**. Class time is used for instructional purposes. Individual needs due to absences must be handled before or after class, during break or lunch. Students may make up work due to **excused absences only**. The time allotted for making up missed work will vary depending on the circumstances surrounding the absence, and the actual time out of school. **Each student will make arrangements with his/ her teacher for turning in this work**.

Due to the participatory nature of this course, attendance is extremely important. Some assignments done in class are participation based and therefore cannot be duplicated or made up.

MVHS UNIFORM GRADING SCALE

Plus or minus grades will be given: YES

A+	97-100	B+	87-89.4	C+	77-79.4	D+	67-69.4
A	93-96	B	83-86	C	73-76	D	63-66
A-	89.5-92	B-	79.5-82	C-	69.5-72	D-	59.5-62
						F	0-59.4

Class Work and Participation

Everything we do in class will be collected at some point, so you **MUST** keep all assignments. If you are absent it is your responsibility to find out what you missed AND complete those assignments.

Participation is an integral part of learning a foreign language and therefore very important. You will earn participation points throughout the semester, however you may also lose participation points for any inappropriate behavior (disrupting class, not paying attention, texting, etc.)

HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS: All homework assignments must be turned in on time. No late work will be accepted unless the student has an excused absence. Expect homework every class period.

Homework is given to practice topics covered in class. You will receive a homework grade. Therefore it is imperative that you pay attention in class when we go over homework.

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PROJECTS AND PRESENTATIONS: Any project turned in or presented late **will lose one letter grade for each day that it is late.**

GRADE CATEGORIES AND WEIGHTS:

Category	Weight
Demonstration of Progress This includes: Tests, Quizzes, Projects, Oral presentations, etc	55%
Process: Completion of Course Requirements This includes: participation in classroom activities, completion of in class assignments, oral responses and communicative activities in French during class, notebook checks and class notes	35%
Homework This includes: completion of homework, and projects and assignments completed outside of class.	20%

ACADEMIC HONESTY STATEMENT

Academic dishonesty includes but is not limited to: cheating, copying from other sources, using online translators, and/or turning in work done by anyone other than the student. Students caught cheating or copying will receive a zero for that assignment and/or a referral to the office. USE OF AN ONLINE TRANSLATOR EQUATES TO CHEATING. **There are no exceptions!!**

I understand that adhering to the standards above is required in order to pass this course,

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date