



# High School SHORT COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

## Foreign Language

### French I

*Grades: 9, 10, 11, 12*  
*Credit: 1.0 (Full Year)/Fee: None*  
*Prerequisite: None*

In this introductory course, students will develop a basic competence in vocabulary and grammar. Insight into another culture will be heightened through tapes, videos, and literature. Oral proficiency will be enhanced through reciting dialogues, singing in class, and performing an informal play. A "C" average or greater is required to move to the next level.

### French II

*Grades: 10, 11, 12*  
*Credit: 1.0 (Full Year)/Fee: None*  
*Prerequisite: A "C" average or better in French I*

Students will learn different verb tenses and an expanded vocabulary thus increasing their ability to communicate in French. A variety of activities will deepen their appreciation of the French culture. The reciting of poetry, dialogues, plays, and songs will advance their level of knowledge and proficiency in this second language. A "C" average or greater is required to move to the next level.

### French III

*Grades: 11, 12*  
*Credit: 1.0 (Full Year)/Fee: None*  
*Prerequisite: A "C" average or better in French II*

By reading and discussing short stories and short novels, students should increase their communication skills to the point at which a native could understand them. Study of the subjunctive will enable them to understand literary works and express themselves in a grammatically correct manner. Verbal proficiency is enhanced through expanded vocabulary, dialogue practice, and plays.

### French IV/AP

*Grades: 12*  
*Credit: 1.0 (Full Year)/Fee: \$85 (AP exam)*  
*Prerequisite: French I, II, and III with a "B" or higher and special permission from the AP French teacher.*

This course is designed to reinforce the four skills of listening, reading, writing, and speaking in a format that prepares students for the AP Exam in French literature. Students who receive a 3, 4 or 5 on the AP exam may be exempt from taking a similar course in college.

### Spanish I

*Grades: 9, 10, 11, 12*  
*Credit: 1.0 (Full Year) /Fee: None*  
*Prerequisite: Ninth grade students wishing to take Spanish I must have an 85% or higher in 8<sup>th</sup> grade English.*

Students will develop fundamental listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in the Spanish language. Much emphasis will be given to the spoken language. Students will learn commonly used phrases through songs, Scripture and dialogs or skits. A 75% average or greater is required to advance to the next level.

### Spanish II

*Grades: 10, 11, 12*  
*Credit: 1.0 (Full Year)/Fee: None*  
*Prerequisite: A minimum of a 75% average in Spanish I*

Students will expand their listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Spanish. A variety of oral and written activities will improve student's conversational ability. A 75% average or greater is required to move to the next level.

## **Spanish III**

*Grades: 11, 12*

*Credit: 1.0 (Full Year)/Fee: None*

*Prerequisite: Instructor approval required*

**This course reviews all concepts taught in Spanish I and II. Students will also read a short novel, a variety of Scripture, short stories, and dramas. They will continue practicing the skills of listening, speaking and writing. Attending a play and a lunch at an authentic Mexican or Spanish restaurant are examples of the many ways cultural awareness will be enhanced.**