

Middle School French Course Description Academic Year (2020 -2021)

Our course has been aligned to meet Virginia standards for all grades & we use different books such as: Pixel 1, Pixel 2, Pixel 3.

Emphasizing the active use of the language, this course focuses on vocabulary and structural acquisition as a way to develop proficiency in speaking, reading, writing, and comprehension. Students both develop facility with French structure contexts through work with authentic texts and become familiar with a variety of contemporary French-speaking cultures. Students will work with an open educational resource for this course: an interactive, online, and free textbook designed to meet the learning needs of students. Audio and video materials will also be used to supplement the textbook and to provide students with a better insight into French. This course includes a broad series of lessons and activities that offer a variety of modalities for ultimate student engagement and content retention. Each unit contains a series of lessons that include introduction of content, virtual demonstration of that content, and repeated opportunity to practice that content, along with a quiz per lesson, exam per unit, and final exam at the end of the course.

Students communicate on a variety of topics at a level commensurate with their study, using more complex structures in the language and moving from concrete to more abstract concepts in a variety of time frames. They comprehend the main ideas of authentic materials that they listen to and read and are able to identify significant details when the topics are familiar. Students develop the ability to discuss in French topics related to historical and contemporary events and issues.