

ROSLYN HIGH SCHOOL

DEPARTMENT: Foreign Language

COURSE: French 4H

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:

Emphasis is placed on the improvement, development and refinement of the skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. Grammatical concepts are reviewed contextually. Selections from French literature and authentic materials are read, discussed and analyzed. The values inherent in acquiring second language proficiency and heightened cultural awareness of a multi-cultural society are promoted.

MAJOR TOPICS COVERED:

The major topics that will be developed with relevant and appropriate grammar topics are: personal identification, house and home, family life, community and neighborhood, physical environment, meal taking and beverages, health and welfare, education, earning a living, leisure, public and private services, shopping, travel, and current events. These topics will be used to facilitate self-expression in French.

TEXTBOOKS:

Listening Comprehension Skills for Intermediate & Advanced Students

C'est comme ça

Poemes pour le Cours avance

Tresors Litteraires

Le Petit Prince

Les Mouches

Selections from French literature and varied authentic materials including magazine and newspaper articles, videos, films and recordings. The internet is explored.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Being prepared in class each day with the covered textbook, notebook, and pen.
- Active participation in the target language.
- Careful preparation of each day's writing and studying assignment.
- Application of library research skills in cultural reports and/or projects.

GRADING PROCEDURES:

A variety of testing/assessment activities will be used to determine the students' performance in the course. These activities may include announced and unannounced quizzes, unit tests, a midterm examination and a final examination. In addition, authentic assessment techniques such as skits, oral presentations, speaking and writing portfolios, reports, etc. involving the use of authentic listening and reading materials will be highlighted. Day-to-day oral class participation in the foreign language is an integral part of the students' performance and grade.