

Expectations and Grades for French Class

Class Schedule

French class will meet two times per week on Monday and Wednesday mornings. The final school schedule with specific class times is still being worked on and will be communicated shortly.

Homework

- Homework will be assigned during or after class and posted in Google Classroom. It will be due by 6pm the evening before the next class. For example, homework assigned on Mondays will be due by 6pm the next day on Tuesday. Homework assigned on Wednesday will be due by Sunday evening at 6pm.
- Homework is worth a whopping 20% of the final grade so it is important to get it done. Always ask questions if you do not understand a homework assignment. Per school policy, late homework will be penalized. That said, sometimes legitimate things happen that can impact your ability to get homework done on time so please communicate with me early if you are running into problems so that we can try and work something out.
- Homework can be typed or handwritten, in either case it is important to use French accents. Sometimes this can be difficult with a computer keyboard so many students opt to handwrite homework which is perfectly fine. In French, accents change the pronunciation of a letter but a missing or wrong accent is also equal to a spelling mistake as it can change the meaning of a word, ie “pêcheur” = “fisherman” vs. “pécheur” = “sinner”, “la” is the feminine definite article for “the,” whereas “là” = “there”, and “ou” = “or” whereas “où” = “where”. If you are using a PC then there are keyboard shortcuts for accents. There are also google aps for accents.
- You should always do your own homework (unless I have specified a group assignment) and it should be turned in through Google Classroom. If your homework is handwritten or you are working on a printed sheet, please use a smartphone to scan your work and turn it into a PDF document to upload to Google Classroom. (Please do not upload photos of your work as this is difficult for me to work on). With in iphone you can use the NOTES AP to take a photo which will then turn it into a PDF. There are also many types of Aps for iphones and other phones that you can get for scanning your homework. Please reach out to me if you have any difficulty with this.
- If I return your homework to you with comments, then you must do the corrections and resubmit the assignment prior to the next class in order for that homework assignment to receive a grade.

Class Participation

Please come to class with enthusiasm, ready to be engaged and ready to participate in conversation and activities. You should have your text books, a note pad/paper to write on, a pen and your homework as we usually will go over homework at the beginning of class. Please remember to always act and speak in a positive, courteous, respectful and Christian manner. Class participation is worth 10% of your final grade; this includes your attitude, level of engagement and showing up on time. It doesn't mean you have to get everything right, just that you show a willingness to actively participate and adhere to school behavioral policy and code of conduct.

Communication

Communication is very important during normal school and even more so during our current remote learning. If you have questions about any assignments, are struggling with homework or have any questions at all about the class, then you can contact me through Google Classroom or send me an email at cgregory@stjohnsacademysf.org. Additionally, please communicate with me early if you are sick or unable to make class so that we can plan for make-up work. Parents, please feel free to call me directly on my cell phone at (415) 336-4680.

Grades

Final grades for the class are comprised of all the different type of work and activities that we will be doing.

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| - Class Participation | 10% of final grade |
| - Tests | 20% of final grade |
| - Homework | 20% of final grade |
| - Finals (one each semester) | 20% of final grade |
| - Quizzes | 15% of final grade |
| - Projects | 15% of final grade |