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World Languages

- Students must successfully complete 2 credits of foreign language to graduate
- Students must successfully complete 6 credits of foreign language to complete the sequence and receive an Advanced Regents Diploma after passing the World Language Comprehensive exam.

French Level 1 (FFN31) Spanish Level 1 (FSN31) French Level 2 (FFN32) Spanish Level 2 (FSN32) French Level 3 (FFN33) Spanish Level 3 (FSN33) Eligibility: All grades.

In Level 1 World Language, students will learn about self-identification in many aspects using the present tense.

In Level 2 World Language, students will be able to speak about themselves in further detail, and also be able to describe past events using both the preterit and the imperfect tenses.

In Level 3 Foreign Language, students will be able to express themselves in the target language to provide and obtain information, resolve conflict while acquiring more cultural knowledge. Students will take the World Language Comprehensive exam in June following level 3.

AP Spanish Language (FSN33X) Eligibility: Students who have finished Spanish Level 1 & 2 **Note:** This course is weighted as 1.1 on a student's transcript average.

Course fulfillment: 1 year of AP Spanish Language satisfies 2 credits needed to complete the Spanish language sequence and can be taken instead of FSN33.

Students will be able to develop proficiency and integrate their language skills, using authentic materials and sources. The goal is for them to be able to convey meaningful messages following the appropriate norms of spoken language as well as grammar and vocabulary. They will also have the opportunity to experience their culture as they learn about Hispanic art, music and literature. The course is meant to be comparable to first or second year college courses that focus on speaking and writing in the target language at an advanced level.

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French Level 4 (FFN44) Eligibility: Students who have finished French Level 3 and have passed the World Language Comprehensive Exam.

Level 4 is designed for students who have had significant previous instruction in French, are already able to express themselves in French fluently and spontaneously, using idiomatic sentences and will easily adapt to and study in full immersion. Typically, students at this level demonstrate a high level of proficiency in all language skills.

Spanish Level 4 (FSN44) Eligibility: Students who have finished Spanish Level 3 and have passed the World Language Comprehensive Exam.

Level 4 is designed for students who have had significant previous instruction in Spanish, are already able to express themselves in Spanish fluently and spontaneously, using idiomatic sentences and will easily adapt to and study in full immersion. Typically, students at this level demonstrate a high level of proficiency in all language skills.