

CURRICULUM SYLLABUS

CURRICULUM AREA: Foreign Language

COURSE TITLE: World Languages and Cultures **GRADE LEVEL(S):** 7/8

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

A semester course in which students explore the basic vocabulary of Spanish, French, and German speaking peoples and the cultures of the countries where these languages are spoken. Students will spend six weeks exploring each language/culture.

COURSE EXPECTATIONS / GOALS / BENCHMARKS / OBJECTIVES:

Students will gain an understanding and appreciation for the Spanish, French, and German speaking worlds. Additionally, students explore the culture of each using the textbooks, media resources, and authentic materials.

Students receive a basic introduction to each language.

COURSE TEXTBOOKS / MATERIALS:

Exploring Spanish, Exploring French, and Exploring German, EMC Publishing, 1995.

MAJOR COURSE ASSIGNMENTS / REQUIREMENTS:

Tests are given on vocabulary at the end of each unit. An exam is given on 5 weeks of course work at the end of the semester.

GRADING AND ASSESSMENTS (TESTS AND QUIZZES):

Tests account for approximately 25% of student's grade. Class work and homework account for the remaining 75%.

HOMEWORK:

Students will complete weekly homework assignments related to the lesson objectives. Homework assignments will vary depending on the skill to be mastered. Some assignments may include – textbook activities, worksheets, and studying vocabulary.