

*****le français IV-VA*****

You are responsible for all the information on this handout (and **ALL** other handouts that you will receive this year). Please read it, share it with your parents and the **KEEP** it in your French folder for future reference. I am available for extra help both before and after school. Please make an appointment. I arrive most days by 6:30. I am also usually here until at least 3:30. Please feel free at any time to ask me for extra help or explanation.

How your grade for term one will be figured:
The second trimester has a sixth category called District Assessments which will make up 20% of your tri. two grade. Each of the other categories' percentages will be reduced to accommodate this.

1. **Homework(Devoirs/écriture-14%)**
2. **Tests(Examens-23%)**
3. **Orals(Examens oraux-30%)**
4. **Dictation(Dictées-19%)**
5. **Participation(Participation-4%)**
6. **District Assessments(10%)**

DEVOIRS:

10 Points	means homework is completed on time
6 Points	means assignment was turned in late(60% of original value)
0 Points	assignment not attempted / turned in

TARDIES: Get to class on time, ready to work! You are considered tardy if you are not in your assigned seat when the bell rings. **Each tardy means you must spend 3 minutes of your passing time with me that day.** The **second** tardy will result in a call home. You will receive a referral to your Assistant Principal for the third tardy and every subsequent tardy. You also will lose participation points each time you are tardy to class. Be in class, be on time and be ready to learn French.

MAKE-UP WORK: After being absent, **YOU** are responsible for getting your assignments completed and turned in (choose a buddy student & exchange phone numbers to help with notes etc.). Missed tests and homework must be turned in an expeditious fashion. If you are absent due to a prearranged school function **OR** family trip, you will be expected to make arrangements before you leave.

COURTESY: Be respectful of your classmates, teachers and **especially** yourselves. Do not write on any desks. If you do, you will be expected to clean them all after school. Textbooks must be covered at all times. Come prepared for class everyday. You need to have your good attitude, book, workbook, notebook, folder and a pencil.

SPEAK FRENCH: **Parlez français, parlez français, parlez français!!!** As soon as you enter the room, speak French. My goal is to have you speak as much French as possible. Practice. It helps! The more you put in to anything in life, the more you will get out of it. Always have high expectations of yourself, your peers and your teachers. Hard work is the determining factor in 99% of what we attempt in life. Don't sell yourself short, do your best.

POSTING GRADES: As usual, I will be posting grades in my classroom. They will be in a folder in the front of the room. I do this on a regular basis, usually on Mondays. Your grades will also be available on-line. Our grading system is a web-based system, so when I update grades, it is instantaneous. In general, I update grades on Friday after school.

FRENCH CLUB: Consider joining. We are planning to meet every Thursday morning for bread, Nutella and apple juice. We also have pizza and a movie (in French) once a month and make crêpes after school at least once every trimester. It's a lot of fun!!