

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

COURSE: Chinese I (offered every two years)

Grades eligible: 9 - 12

Prerequisite: Concurrent enrollment in English

Course Number: 4027

Course Description: *This is a course in basic Chinese speaking, reading, and writing skills. Mandarin (the official language of China and Taiwan) is the dialect that will be taught in the course. Students will be taught how to read and write traditional Chinese characters and recognize simplified Chinese characters. Students will be introduced to the Chinese culture through field trips, guest speakers, supplementary materials and software.*

- . meets foreign language requirement for MSHS
- .. may be used for CSU or UC entrance

COURSE: Chinese II

Grades eligible: 10 – 12

Prerequisite: A grade of “C” or better in Chinese I

Course Number: 4028

Course Description: *Students will continue to be taught how to read and write traditional Chinese characters and recognize more complex Chinese characters. Students will study the present, past, and future tenses and be introduced to the daily life styles and culture of China.. Oral proficiency will begin to be stressed in the target language.*

- . meets foreign language requirement for MSHS
- .. may be used for CSU or UC entrance

COURSE: Chinese III

Grades eligible: 10 - 12

Prerequisite: A grade of “C” or better in Chinese II

Course Number: 4031

Course Description: *This course will stress oral proficiency in the Mandarin dialect. The majority of the class time will be conducted in Chinese. Chinese characters and sentence structures will continue to be taught. Students will translate articles from Chinese magazines and newspapers and will be required to give oral presentations during both semesters.*

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COURSE: French I

Grades eligible: 9 – 12

Prerequisite: concurrent enrollment in English

Course Number: 4016

Course Description: *This course will offer an introduction and study of basic French. Listening comprehension, good pronunciation and simple speaking will be stressed. Elementary reading, writing, and grammar rules will also be emphasized.*

- . meets foreign language requirement for MSHS
- .. may be used for CSU or UC entrance

COURSE: French II

Grades eligible: 10 – 12

Prerequisite: A grade of “C” or better in French I

Course Number: 4017

Course Description: *This class will continue to stress good listening and speaking skills. Students will study the present, past, and future tenses and be introduced to the daily life styles culture of France and other French-speaking countries. Oral proficiency will begin to be stressed in the target language.*

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COURSE: French III

Grades eligible: 11 – 12

Prerequisite: A grade of “C” or better in French II

Course Number: 4018

Course Description: *This advanced course will be conducted at least half of the time in French. Oral proficiency will be stressed in French along with a continuation of advanced grammatical structure, such as, the conditional, imperfect, and subjunctive tenses.*

- . meets foreign language requirement for MSHS
- .. may be used for CSU or UC entrance

COURSE: French IV

Grades eligible: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or better in French III

Course Number: 4015

Course Description: *In this fourth-year course, the students will learn the literary past tense and other advanced grammatical structures. They will advance their reading ability and knowledge of the French-speaking world. They will refine and enhance their speaking and writing abilities by using the French language for all of the activities in the class.*

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COURSE: German I

Grades eligible: 9 – 12

Prerequisite: concurrent enrollment in English

Course Number: 4011

Course Description: *This course includes introduction to the German language, useful expressions, grammar patterns, and geography and culture of Switzerland, Austria, and Germany. Students will practice reading and writing with emphasis on listening and speaking.*

- . meets foreign language requirement for MSHS
- .. may be used for CSU or UC entrance

COURSE: German II

Grades eligible: 10 – 12

Prerequisite: A grade "C" or better in German I

Course Number: 4012

Course Description: *Students expand their listening and speaking skills to include past and future events while doubling their vocabulary. Their reading and writing exercises will enable them to read simple German publications and stories and write basic letters. They will also continue the study of geography and unique aspects of parts of Germany, Austria, and Switzerland.*

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COURSE: German III

Grades eligible: 11 – 12

Prerequisite: A grade of "C" or better in German II

Course Number: 4013

Course Description: *By the time students complete this course, they should be able to express themselves conversationally as well as in writing in regard to any real or probable situation. Their reading includes short stories, poems, and actual German magazines covering daily life as well as political reality. They should be able to present their own views, argue, and discuss some abstract topics as well as retell concrete events.*

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COURSE: German IV

Grades eligible: 11 - 12

Prerequisite: A grade if "C" or better in German III

Course Number: 4014

Course Description: *Students will use German for classroom activities and discussion. Students will improve their reading and writing ability to the level of "Grundstufe," which is recognized in Germany as the completion of all the basics of German grammar. Students will write short compositions and read short stories, novellas and excerpts from literature. Students will practice presenting ideas and arguments in German. Students will continue to study the history, culture and current events of the German-speaking world.*

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COURSE: Spanish I

Grades eligible: 9 – 12

Prerequisite: concurrent enrollment in English

Course Number: 4000

Course Description: *This is a course in basic Spanish speaking, reading, and writing skills. Students will study the present, past, and future tenses, basic daily vocabulary, and be introduced to the daily life style and history of Spanish speaking countries.*

- . meets foreign language requirement for MSHS
- .. may be used for CSU or UC entrance

COURSE: Spanish II

Grades eligible: 10 – 12

Prerequisite: A grade of “C” or better in Spanish I

Course Number: 4001

Course Description: *This course will stress the proficiency of advanced vocabulary in reading, writing, and speaking. There will be more cultural awareness about the Hispanic world. The students will also review the present, past, and future in the indicative mood, subjunctive mood, and improve the use of the compound tenses as well as the conditional. Conversation in the target language will be stressed.*

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COURSE: Spanish III

Grades eligible: 10 – 12

Prerequisite: A grade of “C” or better in Spanish II

Course Number: 4002

Course Description: *This course will stress proficiency in advanced vocabulary in reading, writing, and speaking. There will be more cultural information presented in detail about the Hispanic world. The students will also expand their knowledge of grammar. There will be extensive review of Spanish II verb tenses and then the students will move on to compound tenses, the subjunctive mood and the conditional tense. Conversation in the target language will be stressed. Students will be expected to present arguments, short speeches and/or skits in front of the class. Although the UC requires two years of a foreign language, three years (of the same foreign language) is recommended for entry.*

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COURSE: Spanish IV

Grades eligible: 11 – 12

Prerequisite: A grade “C” or better in Spanish III

Course Number: 4003

Course Description: *This course develops the skills required by the students in speaking, reading, and writing, and increases their knowledge of basic cultural items of Spanish traditional life.*

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COURSE: Spanish ISS

Grades eligible: 9 – 12

Prerequisite: Students must be fluent in both English and Spanish

Course Number: 4005

Course Description: *This course will primarily develop reading and writing skills. Cultural awareness and the history of Latin American countries will be included.*

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- .. may be used for CSU or UC entrance

COURSE: Spanish IISS

Grades eligible: 9 – 12

Prerequisite: A grade of “C” or better in Spanish ISS

Course Number: 4006

Course Description: *This course develops the skills required by the students in speaking, reading, and writing, and increases their knowledge of basic cultural items of Spanish traditional life.*

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COURSE: Spanish AP Language

Grades eligible: 10 – 12

Prerequisite: A grade of “B” or better in Spanish I/SS

Course Number: 4090

Course Description: *This course prepares the students to take the AP language exam by concentrating on essay writing, grammar, vocabulary building, reading, speaking and increasing the knowledge of basic cultural items of Spanish traditional life.*

- . meets foreign language requirement for MSHS
- .. may be used for CSU or UC entrance