

John Jay Middle School

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“Learn. Care. Lead.”

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2019-20 Open House

JJMS Goal: Take the time to get to know our students well and use that knowledge to increase student engagement in our classrooms.

Classroom Mission: Fostering language proficiency and global awareness through the French language.

2018-19 Open House

Subject: 8th Grade French – level 1 – part 3

Teachers: Susan Reiss

Curriculum:

- A. Thematic based curriculum (ordering in a café, family, socializing, etc.) with the emphasis on communication, both oral and written. Vocabulary, grammar and cultural aspects depend on the function being taught. The four communicative functions are: socializing, exchanging information, expressing feelings, and asking questions.
- B. Aural-oral approach: hear it, say it, use it, experience it, act it out...all prior to the reading, writing and spelling component. This speaking-based curriculum has an increased reading focus because of the basic role that reading plays in the language acquisition continuum.
- C. Units 1-4, level 2 (see table of contents in text)
- D. Portfolio: to be compiled throughout the year; on view on “Arts Night”

Grading and Homework

- A. Section and folder in binder for notes and classwork/homework
- B. Formative work (homework @ 15% and class participation @ 15%) = 30%
- C. Summative work (assessments/projects @ 70%) = 70%
- D. Final grade is determined as follows: 31% Tri 1; 31% Tri 2; 31% Tri 3; 7% Final exam

Resources:

- A. Textbook: Discovering French Today – level 2
- B. Online textbook: Discovering French Today – level 2 (my.hrw.com)
- C. Workbook: Discovering French Today – level 2

Extra Help:

Tuesdays after school or by appointment

Teacher Contact Information:

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eChalk for general information concerning assessments and assignments