

World Languages Curriculum

Course Offerings:

Spanish 1 (Gr. 9-11)	German 1 (Gr. 9-11)	French 1 (Gr. 9-11)
Spanish 2 Honors or CP (Gr. 9-12)	German 2 Honors or CP (Gr. 10-12)	French 2 Honors or CP (Gr. 10-12)
Spanish 3 Honors or CP (Gr. 10 -12)	German 3 Honors (Gr. 11-12)	French 3 Honors (Gr. 11-12)
Spanish 4 Honors (Gr. 11-12)	AP German Language and Culture (Gr. 12)	French 4 Honors (Gr.12)
AP Spanish Language and Culture (Gr. 12)		

Nordonia High School offers two sequences of World Languages in grades 9-12. Placement in the various sequences is dependent upon individual abilities, achievement, and career goals. Emphasis in the language programs is placed on speaking, reading, listening, writing, grammar, and vocabulary in a second language.

A World Language may or may not be a requirement for admission to the college of your choice.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

GRADE	Advanced College Prep (Honors) (Seal of Biliteracy, Honors Diploma Requirement, AP)	College Prep (ends after level 3) Or Career Readiness
Grade 8	Spanish 1	
Grade 9	Spanish 2 Honors, German1, or French 1	Spanish, German, or French 1 Spanish 2 CP
Grade 10	Spanish 3 Honors, German 2 or French 2 Honors	Spanish, German, or French 2 CP; Spanish 3 CP
Grade 11	Spanish 4 Honors, Spanish 3 Honors, German 3 or French 3 Honors	Spanish 3 CP, German 3 CP, French 3 CP (optional)
Grade 12	AP Spanish or German Language and Culture, French or Spanish 4 Honors	

The Nordonia High School World Languages Curriculum offers students an opportunity to study and become proficient in three language programs. Emphasis in the language programs is placed on speaking, reading, listening, writing, grammar, and vocabulary in a second language. **Daily study is mandatory to become proficient in a foreign language.**

PREREQUISITES FOR LEVEL I:

1. A grade of 75% or better in Language Arts and Mathematics is recommended to take Level 1 of any foreign language.
2. A student should only continue on in an honors world language class (Level 2, 3, 4) if he/she has a 78% or above in the prior level along with a teacher recommendation.
3. Qualifications for the Honors Diploma include the criteria that a student must complete three (3) credits of the same language or two (2) credits each of two different languages.
4. The study of a world language must be continuous to be effective. Therefore, world language courses must be taken consecutively and not wait a year between levels.

French Program

French 1

Course Number: 5110

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 9-11

French I is an introduction to the four language skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students can expect weekly assignments, vocabulary and grammar quizzes and chapter tests. Beginning the second semester, the students will be encouraged to use the target language and, when appropriate, the class will be conducted in French.

French 2 Honors

Course Number: 5215

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 10-12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in French I and teacher recommendation Honors French II is the second of three progressive levels for students who are interested in pursuing the Honors Diploma. This program is geared to the highly capable and motivated beginning French student. The curriculum is proficiency based, and offers an accelerated approach to advanced level concepts and processes. Active daily student participation; flexible thinking; application of inquiry, synthesis and evaluation skills; and practices in language proficiency are the main characteristics of this honors program.

French 2 CP

Course Number: 5210

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 10-12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in French I and teacher recommendation

French II continues to build on the acquired language skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students will have short daily assignments, vocabulary and grammar quizzes, chapter tests and oral presentations. The students will be encouraged to use the target language and the class will be conducted in French.

This course is for the student who wants to attend a four year college and is looking to fulfill the two year foreign language recommendation.

French 3 Honors

Course Number: 5310

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 11-12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in French 2 and teacher recommendation. This course will give students an opportunity to speak the language. They will study French literature, write compositions, present original skits and continue to study grammar and the culture. The class is solely conducted in French. Students at this level are required to use the target language in class.

French 4 Honors

Course Number: 5410

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in French 3 and teacher recommendation. This course will give students an opportunity to speak the language. They will study French literature, write compositions, present original skits and continue to study grammar and the culture. The class is solely conducted in French. Students at this level are required to use the target language in class.

German Program

German 1

Course Number: 5160

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 9-11

German I is an introduction to the four language skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students can expect weekly assignments, vocabulary and grammar quizzes and chapter tests. Beginning the second semester, the students will be encouraged to use the target language and class will be conducted in German second semester.

German 2 Honors

Course Number: 5265

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 10-12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in German I and teacher recommendation Honors German II is for the student who is interested in pursuing an Honors Diploma by continuing on to German III Honors. This course is geared to the highly motivated and capable German student. The curriculum is proficiency based, and offers an accelerated approach to advanced level concepts and processes. Active daily student participation; flexible thinking; application of inquiry, synthesis and evaluation skills; and practices in language proficiency are the main characteristics of this honors program. You must be enrolled in this course to continue to Honors German III.

German 2 CP

Course Number: 5260

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 10-12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in German I and teacher recommendation

German II continues to build on the acquired language skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students will have short daily assignments, vocabulary and grammar quizzes, chapter tests and oral presentations. The students will be encouraged to use the target language and the class will be conducted in German.

This course is for the student who wants to attend a four year college and is looking to fulfill the two year foreign language recommendation.

German 3 Honors

Course Number: 5365

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 11-12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in German 2 and teacher recommendation. This course is conducted in German and is designed to develop speaking, listening, writing, and reading skills, as well as increasing vocabulary and providing a grammar overview. Students can expect authentic cultural materials, extended reading assignments, the study of German literature and history, and the watching of several complete German films. Students at this level are required to use the target language in class.

AP German Language and Culture

Course Number: 5460

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: German III Honors and Teacher Recommendation Grades: 11 – 12 This course is for the highly motivated and capable student who would benefit from a more accelerated pace of learning. The class will focus on both grammatical accuracy and communicative fluency. The goal is to comprehend written and spoken German, and express your own ideas when writing and speaking. The course will build proficiency in the areas of reading, writing, listening, and speaking through a variety of interactive and non-interactive activities such as: compositions, essays, oral presentations, role plays, and in-depth studies of Spanish and Latin American literature, history, and geography.

There are 6 thematic units established by the College Board. The units cover a variety of societal and cultural issues that are important to our global community. The goal is to become Global Citizens and have students make cultural connections when comparing their individual communities to those of the German speaking world.

Spanish Program

Spanish 1

Course Number: 5150

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 9-11

Spanish I is an introduction to the four language skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Students can expect short daily assignments, weekly vocabulary and grammar quizzes, original dialogs, projects and chapter tests. Beginning second semester daily use of the language is required. The students will be encouraged to use the target language, and when appropriate, the class will be conducted in Spanish.

Spanish 2 Honors

Course Number: 5255

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 9-12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in Spanish I and teacher recommendation Honors Spanish II is the second of four progressive levels for students who are interested in pursuing advanced level or Honors diploma. This program is geared to the highly capable and motivated beginning Spanish student. The curriculum is proficiency based, and offers an accelerated approach to advanced level concepts and processes. Active daily student participation; flexible thinking; application of inquiry, synthesis and evaluation skills; and practices in language proficiency are the main characteristics of this honors program. You must be enrolled in this course to continue to Honors Spanish III and above.

Spanish 2 CP

Course Number: 5250

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 9-12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in Spanish I and teacher recommendation

Spanish II continues to build on the acquired language skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students can expect daily assignments, weekly vocabulary and grammar quizzes, chapter tests and oral presentations. Beginning the second nine weeks, the students will be encouraged to use the target language daily and the class will be conducted in Spanish.

This course is for the student who wants to attend a four year college and is looking to fulfill the two year foreign language recommendation (not a requirement).

Spanish 3 Honors

Course Number: 5350

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 10-12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in Spanish 2 and teacher recommendation. The purpose of Honors Spanish III is to enjoy culture using the spoken language while developing skills, increasing vocabulary, reviewing grammar, and giving oral presentations. The class is conducted in Spanish. Students at this level are required to use only the target language in class.

Spanish 3 CP

Course Number: 5355

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 10-12

Prerequisite: Grade of 78% or better in Spanish 2 and teacher recommendation. Spanish III continues to build on the acquired language skills of speaking, reading, writing, and listening. The purpose of Spanish III is to study the culture while using the spoken language while developing skills, increasing vocabulary, reviewing grammar, and giving oral presentations. The class is conducted in Spanish. Students at this level are required to use the target language in class.

Spanish 4 Honors

Course Number: 5450

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 11-12

Prerequisite: Must have completed Spanish III Honors with a grade of 78% or better

This course is conducted in Spanish and is designed for students who want to apply themselves to college level studies and become fluent in the target language. The primary emphasis is the development and refinement of the student's written and spoken abilities. Students can expect review of grammar, extended reading assignments, frequent oral and written evaluations and use of authentic materials. Students at this level are required to use the target language in class. Students will take the Seal of Biliteracy in the spring.

AP Spanish Language and Culture

Course Number: 5550

Credit: 1

Length: year

Grade: 12

Prerequisite: Spanish IV Honors and Teacher Recommendation

This course is for the student who enjoys making cultural connections and speaking the target language. This student should be highly motivated and willing to interact with the language outside of class with movies, TV programs, podcasts, etc. The class will focus on both grammatical accuracy and communicative fluency. The goal is to comprehend written and spoken Spanish, and express your own ideas when writing and speaking. The course will build proficiency in the areas of reading, writing, listening, and speaking through a variety of interactive and non-interactive activities such as: compositions, essays, oral presentations, role plays, and in-depth studies of Spanish and Latin American culture.

There are 6 thematic units established by the College Board. The units cover a variety of societal and cultural issues that are important to our global community. The goal is to become Global Citizens and have students make cultural connections when comparing their individual communities to those of the Spanish speaking world.

Culture Courses

Cultural Exploration

Course Number: 5000

Credit: .5

Length: semester

Grade: 9-12

This course will focus on what defines a culture and explore the unique aspects of cultures in each region of the world. To do this, we will focus on various basic geography, important sites within the region, as well as traditional stories, food, music and art. Investigate how cultures influence each other across the globe to promote cultural understanding and tolerance.

World Travel

Course Number: 5010

Credit: .5

Length: semester

Grade: 10-12

This course is designed to explore all aspects of culture through traditional foods, arts/crafts, film, stories and celebrations from all over the world! Through discussion and activities students will build an understanding of what influences culture and how cultures around the world compare to their own.