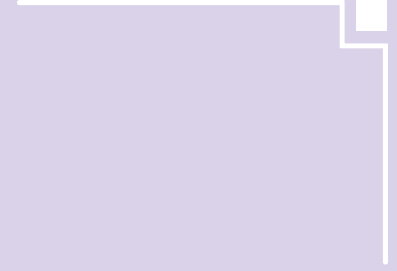
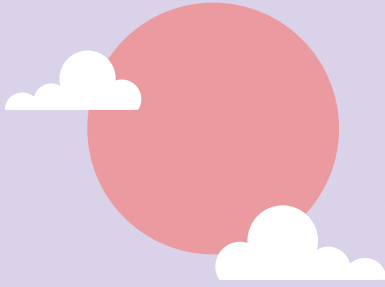
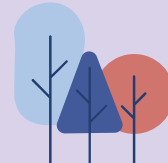
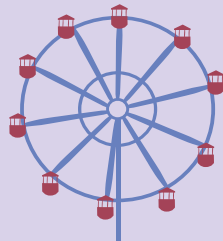
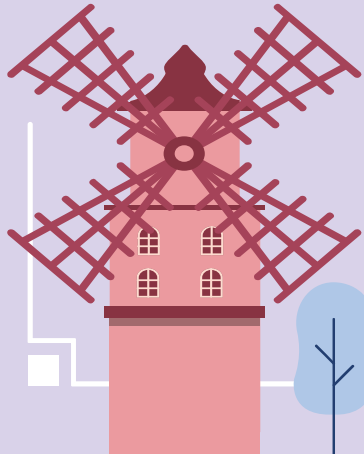


# World Languages

An Academic Elective





# Welcome



Latin



# World Languages- Year Long Electives

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**



**HIGH SCHOOL**

7th Grade  
Level 1 Part A  
French, Korean or Spanish  
(Year)

8th Grade  
Level 1 Part B  
French, Korean or Spanish  
(Year)  
1.0 Credit

8th Grade  
Level 1  
French, Korean, Spanish, or Latin  
(Year)  
1.0 Credit

9th Grade  
Level 2  
French, Korean, Spanish or Latin  
(Year)  
1.0 Credit



# World Language Courses Offered for 2024-2025



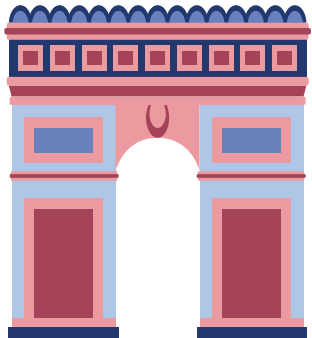
Language	1A (7th grade)	1B (8th grade)	Level 1 (8th grade)
Spanish	yes	yes	yes
Spanish for Heritage Speakers			yes
French	yes	yes	yes
Korean	yes	yes	yes
Latin			yes

All language courses are full-year. 1A + 1B OR Level 1 = 1 year of high school credit. Courses will occur if there is enough interest.

# Fairfax High School

## World Languages **Dual** Enrollment Programs French (**only at FHS**), Latin, and Spanish

Level 4 Dual Enrollment (DE)- Students earn two classes of college credit (3 credits per semester course) through Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC) for French 201 and 202 (one class per semester) upon successful completion of the course without paying college tuition.



# Program of Studies: Student Driven Curriculum

About Me

My Family

My School

Food

Clothing

01

About Me

02

My Family

03

My School

04

Food

05

Clothing



1. Focus on **vocabulary**
2. Language structures are taught as needed to use the vocabulary
3. Focus on essentials
4. French, Korean, Spanish: 4 modes of communication (reading, writing, listening, speaking)
5. Latin: focus is on reading

# French, Korean, and Spanish

About Me	My Family	My School	Food	Clothing
<p><b><u>VOCABULARY</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Initial:</u></b> Words everyone needs to know</p> <p><b><u>Building:</u></b> Vocabulary to write, read, talk, and listen in French about <b>who you are</b>.</p>	<p><b><u>VOCABULARY</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Initial:</u></b> Words everyone needs to know</p> <p><b><u>Building:</u></b> Vocabulary to write, read, talk, and listen in French about how <b>my family influences my identity</b>.</p>	<p><b><u>VOCABULARY</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Initial:</u></b> Words everyone needs to know</p> <p><b><u>BUILDING:</u></b> Vocabulary to write, read, talk, and listen in French about how <b>my school community contributes to my sense of identity</b>.</p>	<p><b><u>VOCABULARY</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Initial:</u></b> Words everyone needs to know</p> <p><b><u>BUILDING:</u></b> Vocabulary to write, read, talk, and listen in French about how <b>the foods I eat reflect my cultural experience</b>.</p>	<p><b><u>VOCABULARY</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Initial:</u></b> Words everyone needs to know</p> <p><b><u>BUILDING:</u></b> <i>will vary</i> Vocabulary to write, read, talk, and listen in French about how <b>I express my identity through my clothing</b> and how <b>my clothing reflects my culture</b>.</p>
<p><b><u>GRAMMAR:</u></b> Language structures needed to use the vocabulary.</p>				

## Latin

Family	Clothing	Foundational Mythology	Geography	Housing	Monarchy
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In Level 1 language classes, students start at the novice level (parrots) with an end of year target of intermediate-low (survivors) proficiency.



## Targeted Portrait of a Graduate Attributes

- Communicator
- Ethical and Global Citizen
- Goal-directed and Resilient Individual
- Creative & Critical Thinker
- Collaborator



# Why learn a new language?

**Improve your memory and keep your brain healthy:** research shows that people who learn languages have better memories than those who don't, and the mental gymnastics that go into mastering a new language can help defend against Alzheimer's and other memory related illnesses.

**Change your life:** open possibilities that are closed to you without the cultural and language skills you learn with a new language-more job opportunities, live anywhere, travel

**Open your mind:** language and culture go hand in hand. As you learn to see the world from a new perspective, you grow in empathy and understanding of the different ways people live their lives.

**Have fun:** explore language with games, songs, plays, food, and traditions.

# Selecting a Language Elective for Heritage Spanish Speakers

## BEGIN HERE:

Do I speak and read/write Spanish fluently?

yes

I should plan to take the World Language Credit Exam next fall to earn 1-3 high school credits

yes

Do I want to add a new language?

yes

**7th grade:** I can take French 1a or Korean 1a then French 1b or Korean 1b in 8th grade to earn 1 HS credit.

**8th grade:** I can take French 1, Korean 1, or Latin 1 for a HS credit.

**7th or 8th grade:** I can take IFL.

no

To help with course selection, students who sign up to take Spanish will take a short placement test to help determine the path that makes the most sense.

no

There are many other electives I can take.

Yes, I want to try!

Do I speak Spanish but don't really read and write fluently?

Yes, this is me!

Do I want to add a new language?

no

**7th grade:** I can explore other electives and start Spanish next year.

**8th grade:** I can take Spanish for Heritage Speakers 1 for a HS credit and continue with level 2 for Heritage Speakers in 9th grade.

Selecting classes is a family decision, these tips are good guidelines for selecting classes. World Language classes are not required in middle school.

# Any Questions?



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# Merci!



# Gracias!

# Gratias!

# 감사해요

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# Selección de una asignatura optativa de lengua extranjera para hispanohablantes

## COMIENZA AQUÍ:

¿Hablo y leo/escribo español con fluidez?

Sí

Debería planear tomar el exámen de acreditación de Lenguas Extranjeras el próximo otoño para obtener 1-3 créditos para High School.

Sí

¿Quiero añadir un nuevo idioma?

Sí

**Grado 7:** Puedo tomar Francés 1A o Coreano 1A en el séptimo grado. Y en el octavo grado, puedo tomar Francés 1B o Coreano 1B para obtener 1 crédito de High School  
**Grado 8 :** Puedo tomar Francés 1, Coreano 1, or Latin 1 y obtener 1 crédito de High School  
**Grado 7 o 8:** Puedo tomar introducción a las lenguas extranjeras

no

Para ayudar con la selección de cursos, los estudiantes que se matriculan para tomar clases de español, tomarán un pequeño examen de ubicación para ayudar a determinar la mejor opción.

no

Hay muchas otras materias optativas que puedo tomar.

Sí, ¡Quiero intentarlo!

**Grado 7:** Puedo explorar otras materias optativas y comenzar español al año siguiente.  
**Grado 8:** Yo puedo tomar Español 1 para hispanohablantes para obtener un crédito para High School y continuar con el **Nivel 2** al año siguiente en el noveno grado.

Hablo Español pero la pregunta es:  
¿Escribo y leo con fluidez?

Sí, ¡este soy yo!

¿Quiero añadir un nuevo idioma?

No

Escoger una clase es una decisión tomada por la familia, pues, esta guía puede ayudarte en tu selección de curso. Las clases de Lenguas Extranjeras no son obligatorias.