Bonjour et Bienvenue!

COURSE INFORMATION SHEET 2016-2017

Class Title: **French 2** Room: **C-204** Period: **2** (8:22-9:02)

Teacher: Monsieur O’Callaghan

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*Questions/comments from you or your parents are encouraged! I will do my best to respond as quickly as possible to your calls and emails.*

**Course Description:**

 This course continues to stress the language skills you acquired in French 8. We will expand your French through reading, writing, listening, and speaking activities and assessments. We will also enhance cultural awareness through the use of authentic materials including magazines, newspapers, film and music. This course is designed to guide you toward functional communicative proficiency. The goal is to enable you:

1. -to function in a French speaking culture

 -to use the language for a lifetime of personal enjoyment and enrichment

 -to continue expanding your communicative proficiency for further education or the workplace

Required Materials: *Please bring these with you to each class period*.

* 3-ring binder (or section of binder) with 3 dividers (Vocab/Notes, Homework, Quizzes/Tests)
* Text: Discovering French Blanc Today!, Valette and Valette, McDougal-Littell
* Pencils/Pens/Other Desired Materials

Grading Breakdown:

* Tests: 35%
* Quizzes: 35%
* Class Projects: 20%
* Homework: 10%

Class Participation Expectations:

* Be respectful of your work, your classroom, your teacher, and your classmates.
* Arrive on time with all necessary materials.
* Always make an effort to speak French!
* Remember to “Be TRUE (**T**imely, **R**espectful, **U**nderstanding, and **E**ngaged)”

Homework Policies:

* All homework is due at the **start** of class on the designated day.
* Late work will only be accepted for **excused absences**. (*See make-up policy*.)
* Homework should be neat and labeled with your **name, class period, and date**.

Make-up Policy:

* Late/missing work will only be accepted with **excused absences** (as defined by district policy)
* The missing work is due **5 school days** from the day you return to school.
* Any work that is turned in after 5 school days will not be accepted. This includes make-up tests, quizzes, and homework.

Quiz upgrade Policy:

* Any student can earn back half of the points lost on a quiz by arranging a short meeting (after school or occasionally during class) during which the student and I will review the mistakes and make corrections.
* Upgrades are for **quizzes** only and must be done during the half of the quarter in which the quiz was taken.

All graded work will be promptly returned to the student.

Cell phones/Electronics: Cell phones should be silenced during class at all times.

Extra-Help: *I am happy to provide extra help and encourage all students to take advantage of it, whenever needed.*

After-school: Tuesdays and Thursdays in Room C-204, 2:15-2:55pm