**ÉCOLE ALPHA SECONDARY**



**COURSE OUTLINE - FRENCH 8**

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

In this course, we will use a program called AIM (Accelerated Integrative Methodology). You are going to learn French through a hands-on, active-learning approach that uses gestures, plays and other activities. It is a very fun and interactive program that will make you learn authentic French really quickly.

This is a play-based program, which means you will memorize and act a play at the end of the units.

CURRICULAR COMPETENCIES

*Students are expected to be able to do the following:*

Thinking and communicating

* Comprehend key informationin slow, clear speech and other simple **texts**
* **Comprehend** simplestories
* Interpret non-verbal cues to increase comprehension
* Use various **strategies to support communication**
* **Seek clarification** of meaning
* Recognize the relationships between **intonation and meaning**
* Respond to simple commands and instructions
* Participate, with support, in simple interactions involving everyday situations
* Express themselves and comprehend others through various **modes
of presentation**

Personal and social awareness

* Identify Francophone communities across Canada
* Demonstrate awareness of connections between **First Peoples communities and the French language**
* Identify a Francophone cultural festival or celebration in Canada

CLASS RULES

My class is a place where respect, diversity of ideas and people, as well as constant support are key elements. It is a safe place and where there are some basic rules to observe.

* arrive on time and ready to work at each class
* bullying,whether verbal or physical, is totally unacceptable. This goes with respect for the different ideas that will be formulated in this class
* Cell phones are **FORBIDDEN** at all times. I see it, I take it!
* French is the only language allowed in class, in your exchanges with your classmates or with me, and this is the best way to improve your grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation. Your participation is essential!
* it is possible to eat in class, only if you pick up after
* almost all projects and work will be done in the classroom, so it's your duty to meet deadlines and not waste time in class
* Google Translate's use is formally **FORBIDDEN**. Any text, work, presentation made using GT will be awarded a zero mark

MARKS

Here’s how the marks will be distributed this semester

* projects/assignments 40%
* quizzes / tests 25%
* worksheets 20%
* French in class 15%