**French 2 –Panther Creek High School**

**Mademoiselle Carter**

**Course Description, Expectations and Grading Policies 2014**

Bienvenue! Welcome to French 2! In this continuation of French 1, students will strengthen their abilities in reading, writing, speaking and listening. They will be engaging in communicative activities and exploring Francophone cultures throughout the world. Learning a foreign language requires hard work and commitment from each student. Below is important information to help students be successful in this class. Please read thoroughly and sign. I am looking forward to a great semester!

**Classroom Rules:**

1. **Be in the classroom when the bell rings.** If you are not in the room when the bell rings, a tardy will be issued.
2. **Use the restroom and sharpen pencils before the class begins.** We will be utilizing the entire class period and excessive distractions detract from your learning as well as the rest of the class.
3. **Be respectful to me and to others in the class at all times.**
4. **Come to class prepared to learn.** This means coming in with your French notebook, textbook, completed homework, pens, pencils and any other materials you will need for the class.
5. **No food, drink, gum or candy will be allowed in the classroom.** Bottled water is permitted.
6. **Students are to remain seated until the bell rings.**
7. **Participate.** Speak French whenever possible!
8. **Have fun!** While learning another language can be challenging at times, it is also extremely rewarding and fun.

Failure to adhere to these rules or other school-wide policies will result in one of the following consequences, depending on the severity of the infraction. 1. Warning to student and phone call home to parent; 2. Teacher assigned detention served during lunch or after school; 3. Specific consequence detailed in the Panther Creek Handbook.

Fire drill and tornado drill procedures are posted on the wall by the door. Students are expected to follow safety procedures during drills and/or emergency situations

**Required Supplies**

1. Binder (2 inch)
2. Loose-leaf paper for graded assignments
3. Writing utensils

**Grading Scale**

The following is the grading scale for all World Language I & II classes.

Tests/Projects 50%

Homework 10%

Student Engagement 10%

Quizzes 30%

**Make up work/ re-taking test:**

Students may re-take tests (not midterms or final exams) for a highest score of 70%. Make-up work for absences is accepted according to WCPSS School Board Policy. The World Languages Department make-up policy is below, please read it carefully. If you are absent when a test or quiz is given, you have exactly **one week** to make it up. **The student is responsible for all make-up work.**

*WCPSS*Board Policy 6000.0 states: ***“****If make-up work has not been assigned in advance, for absences of one-three days, the students will have one day for each day absent to make up work. For absences exceeding three days, the student will have two days for each day absent to make up work. Special consideration should be given in the case of extrended absences due to injury or chronic illness.”*

Students taking a World Language course will receive a deducction in their test/quiz grades if they do not adhere to Board Policy expectations to make up tests and quizzes within the timeframe expected. Whether the absences is excused or unexcused, if students do not make up work within the timeframe expected World Language students in honors and AP classes will be deducted 14 points from the test/quiz once taken; World Language students in non-honor or AP classes will be deducted 7 points. This applies also to re-tests for a failed test.

**Tutoring Opportunities**

Tutoring and make-up time is available throughout the year during SMART lunch sessions in room 1632. Our SMART lunch sessions are **Tuesday A half and Thursday B half.** If you need extra help, but cannot come in during these times, see me and we will work out another time.

**French Club**

French club will be meeting once or twice a month. Meetings will be announced on the TV and in class. We typically meet on Tuesdays at smart lunch A half. Come join us for fun cultural activities!

**Classroom Website:**

Students may find class assignments, extra practice and additional information on the class website. **mllecarterfrancais.weebly.com**

**Contact:**

Parents and students may e-mail me at **wcarter2@wcpss.net****.** Please note that I am only allowed to electronically communicate with students via their Wake County email address.

Parents and students, please sign below to acknowledge that you have read and understand the information in this letter. Parents, please include a phone number and your e-mail address for contact purpose.

Merci!

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