

*Foreign Language Goals
Grades 7-8
Spanish and French*

Course Goals

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

- **Follow directions given in the target language, respond appropriately to questions and understand statements (Listening)**
- **Speak the target language using appropriate sentences and questions while applying the correct rules of pronunciation (Speaking)**
- **Read and comprehend short passages and dialogues and use the dictionary (Reading)**
- **Write simple dialogues, descriptions, and stories using the vocabulary and grammar presented in the text (Writing)**
- **Identify various regions and important landmarks in the countries or areas where the target language is spoken (Cultural)**
- **Recognize cultural differences in the celebration of holidays (Cultural)**
- **Understand and correctly use manners and customs associated with the use of the target language (Cultural)**
- **Teach and reinforce study habits which will transfer to the study of any foreign language in the future (Foundation)**
- **Continue a positive experience which encourages students to continue their foreign language study in high school (Foundation)**

Goals for Lyons Township Placement Foreign Language Classes:*

- **Provide students with the means and opportunity for personal expression and communication with others in the target language.**
- **Set appropriate context under which the language, beliefs, and customs of diverse societies can be studied, understood, and appreciated.**

*from Lyons Township High School Program Guide 2006-2007