

## Second Languages

Holly Springs High School offers French, Latin and Spanish. The following courses are offered for the various languages:

**Spanish:** Level 1, Level 2, Levels 3-5 (honors), AP Language

**French:** Level 1, Level 2, Levels 3-4 (honors)

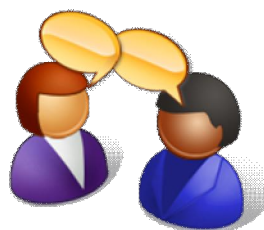
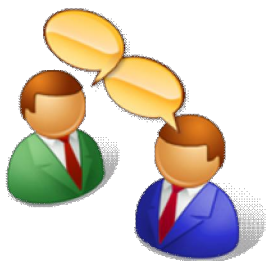
**Latin:** Level 1, Level 2, Levels 3-4 (honors)

Colleges and universities require a minimum of two credits of the same second language for admission; however, many competitive schools favor three consecutive years of the same language. It is also recommended by the UNC college system to take foreign languages in the senior year. Very competitive students should consider four or more credits of the same language, including AP courses. Please refer to the WCPSS High School Planning Guide for course descriptions.

Consider the following when registering for second language courses:

- It is strongly recommended that students begin their foreign language studies during their sophomore year.
- Register for courses consecutively. For example, students should aim to take levels 1 and 2 in the same school year.
- Any freshman who strongly desires to *begin* their language studies during their freshman year should have a high commitment to learning and be identified AG in Math or English.
- Students who feel like they might be ready for a level higher than level 1 (including rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders with middle school foreign language experience), must take a placement test to determine their level of ability. Placement testing date will be determined by the teacher.
- Only students with a C or higher will be recommended for honors level courses (level 3 and higher).
- Native Spanish speakers should take a language other than their native tongue.

## Second Languages Sequences



<b>Available Languages: French, Latin, Spanish</b>	<b>Second Languages Suggested Course of Sequence</b> <b>All students</b>			
<b>If you...</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> grade</b>
...are considering a second language only to meet a requirement for university admissions	---	Level 1 and 2	(Optional) Level 3 and 4	(Optional) Level 5 and AP Language
...want to take AP Language	---	Level 1 and 2	Level 3 and 4	Level 5 and AP Language
...are interested in the medical and life sciences	Latin 1	Latin 2	Latin 3 and 4 or Spanish 1 and 2	AP Latin or Spanish 3 and 4

