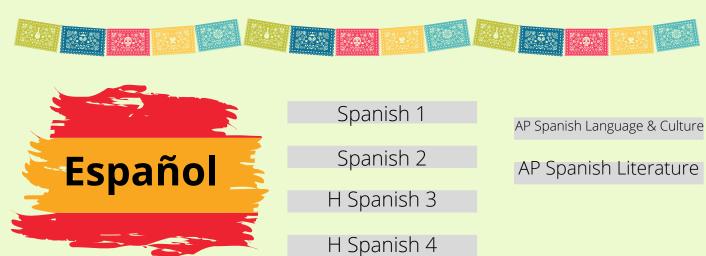


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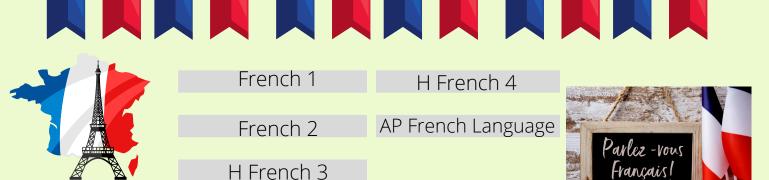
SEVERNA PARK HIGH SCHOOL



Most of our students enter the Spanish program in 9th grade at Level 3. However, our beginning levels are not only great for those continuing from middle school, but are also popular to those pursuing a second foreign language. Those who continue to Level 4 will communicate around topics that include stereotypes, immigration, global challenges, and MORE!

Students may earn up to six college credits for earning a passing score on the Advanced Placement Exams. Plan to continue your studies through the AP level! The <u>Maryland Seal of Biliteracy</u> is awarded to students who earn a 4 or 5 on AP World Language Exams.

The Spanish program has an active National Spanish Honor Society and Spanish Club that meet regularly. Spanish Literature Club is also available to students that are enrolled in the higher levels.



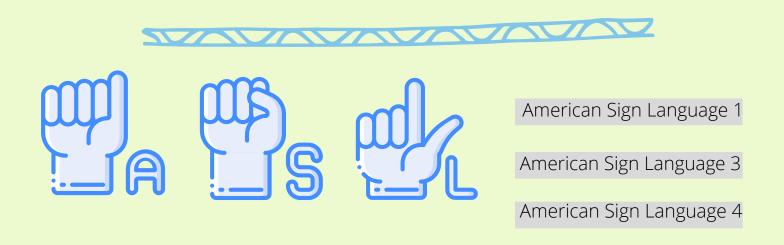
In French 3, some topics for learning and conversation include: Professions and the Working World, School Systems, Love and Friendship, Navigating the Adult World, Ecotourism, Nature, Environmental Issues, Social Media, and MORE! French culture is introduced through art, literature, customs, and history of French-speaking people.

The French program also has an active National French Honor Society and French Club that meet regularly.



Students are first introduced to Chinese at Severna Park Middle. At Severna Park High, we build upon skills, extending students' ability to understand and express themselves in Chinese, increasing their vocabulary. Typically, students learn how to engage in discourse for informative or social purposes, write expressions or passages that show understanding of sentence construction and phrasing, and comprehend the language when spoken slowly. Students usually explore the customs, history, and art forms of Chinese-speaking people to deepen their understanding of the cultures.

The Chinese program also has an active National Chinese Honor Society and Chinese Club that meet regularly.



American Sign Language is a visual, gestural language that is distinct from English or any other foreign spoken language. Students are immersed in a "voices off" setting, learning conversational skills and vocabulary through video samples, exercises, and live signing practice. Comprehension goals for students include attaining a faster understanding when viewing signed language at normal rates, being able to paraphrase or summarize cultural information through signed videos and conversing in sign easily within limited situations.