1. **Build a positive relationship with your teacher and your classmates!** An easy start is a smile and “Bonjour, ça va?”

2. **Complete and turn in your homework on time.** Homework is due at the beginning of the hour and should be completed outside of class.

3. **Ask for help!** If you are lost or having problems, don’t be afraid to ask for help.

4. **Practice!** Look for evidence of French influence everywhere you go. Speak the language as much as possible (at home, with friends, at school, etc.) Read your homework out loud, do DuoLingo, talk to your friends in French, listen to French music, and watch French Netflix!

5. **Review!** Studying a little bit every night (even if it’s just vocab) is more effective. Use Quizlet and make flashcards!

6. **Make a French group chat!** Exchange phone numbers/Zoom ID with at least one other student in your class. That way you will have someone to contact you if you were absent or don’t understand something.

7. **Be honest!** Cheating does not help anyone. It is expected that all students will work individually on assignments. Online translators (like “Google Translate”) are strictly unacceptable!

8. **Give it your best shot!** World language classes can be challenging and a lot of fun. The more you put into the class, the more you will get out of it. Have a great year!

9. **Give yourself credit!** Learning a new language can be a little overwhelming at times. Instead of concentrating on what you don’t know, take a look at everything that you **do** know! Think back to when you first started studying the language. You have come a long way! Give yourself some credit for all that you have accomplished.

10. **Persevere!** Since the goal of the class is to improve proficiency in French, the majority of this class will be conducted in French. Students are encouraged to use the entire class period to practice by speaking and writing in French only. Classroom time is used for practice. The more mistakes made in class, the more students will learn and grow. Remember, **Practice**, not perfection, is what is encouraged.

11. **Practice the French savoir-vivre!**

    Learn more about ways Francophones live and try out some of their customs. Have a coffee or cheese, eat a croissant for breakfast, try some macarons, watch a French film, count on your fingers starting with your thumb, explore French fashion...

    **Bon Courage!!**

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