

Course Information for German II/German II Honors

Wichtige Information:

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Die Nachhilfe: Wednesdays **before** school starting at 8:00 AM or by appointment

Die benötigten Schulbedarfe:

1. Loose leaf paper, or a spiral notebook to keep class notes
2. Pen or pencil
3. 1 three ring binder w/ 5 tab dividers
4. Spiral Notebook or Composition Notebook for journal (no more than 70-80 sheets)
5. Composition Notebook (100 sheets) for Portfolio
6. Positive attitude ☺

Die hoch empfohlenen Schulbedarfe:

7. Markers, crayons, glue, scissors (for health and safety purposes)
8. BYOD – Bring your own Device (laptop) is encouraged (for health and safety purposes)
9. Earbuds w/microphone
10. German/English dictionary*

Der Ordner (Das Heft):

This binder will be your primary resource for creating/updating your portfolio. This Course Information sheet, Classroom Rules and Procedures sheet and rubrics should be in the front of your binder. Sections:

Section 1: Notes/Vocabulary
Section 2: Classwork/Homework
Section 3: Culture

Section 4: Reading/Literature/Songs
Section 5: Tests/Quizzes/Projects

Das Tagebuch:

You should expect to have one journal assignment per week and it should remain in your class basket when you leave class. You will have 2-3 current event articles that you collect and summarize each nine weeks. Your journal will be a minor grade each nine weeks. Content will not be taken into consideration unless deemed inappropriate by myself.

***Das Wörterbuch:**

If you are considering taking German through the end of your high school career and possibly even later on in college, I recommend investing in a dictionary similar to what we have in class - Langenscheidt (gelb) or Pons (grün) dictionaries are good. Of course there are also online dictionaries like www.dict.cc or www.dict.leo.org, but **NO** online translators!

Quellenverzeichnis:

You must use MLA style to cite any and all materials used for research (9 weeks reports, projects, etc.) and in identifying the source of your articles and/or pictures. For help: <https://owl.english.purdue.edu> or www.Easybib.com. Lack of proper citation is considered plagiarism.

Das Textbuch, Behandelte Materialien, und Die Hausaufgaben:

Mosaik 2 from Vista Higher Learning; myriad online resources and other supplemental activities, *Schuss* magazine (optional subscription), various leveled readers

Please see the “Jahresüberblick” for more details. Homework is assigned **most** class periods. Assignments for the week are posted in class and/or Google Classroom for your reference.

Andere Gelegenheiten:

Check out books/magazines for additional outside contact with the language!

National German Exam:

You will take the exam mid-January. Recognition for outstanding achievement and scholarships to study abroad in the summer are available to students who score well on the exam.

Deutscher Klub:

The idea of the German club is to foster a deeper understanding of the German culture, as well as get together and share the language and other experiences and have some fun! Announcements are on the side board/bulletin board outside of D134 and join Google Classroom for reminders as well!!! We also have a case in the main hallway, where we will display information.

Delta Epsilon Phi (National German Honor Society):

This is not yet available this year; however, basic requirements for consideration for induction are: Completion of three semesters of German with a 3.6 grade point average in German and have an overall grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

Sprachfest:

This is a German version of UIL in February. There are individual and group events. Categories are arts, drama, declamation (prose/poetry), music, oral tests, written tests, Pass Auf (quiz game), and research paper. Preparation is primarily outside of class and will require extra practice and meeting with me before contest. I **strongly encourage** students to find several events in which to participate! 😊

GAPP (German American Partnership Program):

We have an exchange with a partner school along the German/Austrian border, Gertrud-von-le-Fort Gymnasium Oberstdorf. Exchanges typically occur Spring/Summer of even years (2020, 2022, etc.). There are informational meetings in April & September prior to an exchange year. Please pay attention to announcements and Google Classroom for those dates.

Viel Spaß und viel Glück! 😊