

Wider Subject Choice

Curro values each learner's unique interests and life goals, empowering them to pursue their passions. With our innovative approach to education through our wider subject choice offering, Curro Choice, we offer a range of diverse subjects to all Curro high school learners in order for them to customise and personalise their educational journey.



FRENCH SECOND ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE

Available to:

Grades 10 to 12 learners (IEB and NSC)

AN OVERVIEW

French is an important international language spoken by more than 300 million people on five continents and is the official language of several African countries. Members of La Francophonie represent approximately 600 million people worldwide. La Francophonie is the term for an international community of 88 states and governments created to encourage the development of the French language and values. It is represented by the OIF (Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie), which promotes the French language, linguistic diversity, intercultural dialogue and sustainable development. OIF's purpose includes promoting cooperation among countries in the fields of culture, science, economy, justice and peace. Choosing to study French will offer you unique study and employment opportunities, both in South Africa and internationally. French has become increasingly relevant in South Africa since the country was identified as an important partner for future French investment projects in Africa. Beyond employment opportunities, the culture, history, and traditions of French enriches the mind of the learner and promotes an increased understanding and perspective of other countries and cultures.

CAREER PATHS

In South Africa, French is a compulsory subject for learners wishing to pursue a career in International Relations and Diplomatic Studies. It is also useful if you are considering a career in translation and interpretation, tourism and commerce, radio and television broadcasting, teaching and lecturing, fashion and design, hospitality, journalism, liaison and public relations, advertising, publishing, audiovisual production, law and medicine (Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors Without Borders is essentially a French organisation).

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM THIS PROGRAMME

The syllabus covers basic everyday themes such as introducing oneself, family, daily routine, school, transport, food, hobbies and holidays. Practical skills are acquired – for example, making reservations in a hotel, ordering food in a restaurant, extending invitations and interpreting visual texts. At a more advanced level, various relevant themes are explored, such as youth, health, sport, food, media, technology, travelling, friendship and the environment.

ASSESSMENTS

Assessments and examinations include oral conversations and presentations, listening skills, comprehension, grammar and writing.

Learners taking French can complete the Grade 12 examination but French Conversation is also available to learners wishing to only expand their skills. Learners are encouraged to write the DELF A1 examinations after approximately 1 to 2 years of study. The DELF (Diplôme d'Études en Langue Française/Diploma in French Language) and the DALF (Diplôme Approfondi de Langue Française/Advanced Diploma in French Language) are diplomas awarded by the French Ministry of Education, to recognise the French language skills of candidates. These biannual examinations are internationally recognised and are facilitated in South Africa by the Alliance Française in Johannesburg, Pretoria, Cape Town, Durban, and Port Elizabeth. The Alliance Française is a French cultural organisation which promotes French language and Francophone culture around the world. The DELF-DALF levels correspond to the six levels identified in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CECR). This includes the four diplomas of the DELF, A1, A2, B1 and B2, and two diplomas of the DALF, C1 and C2. These examinations are internationally recognised and further qualifications can be obtained throughout the world on presentation of certification.

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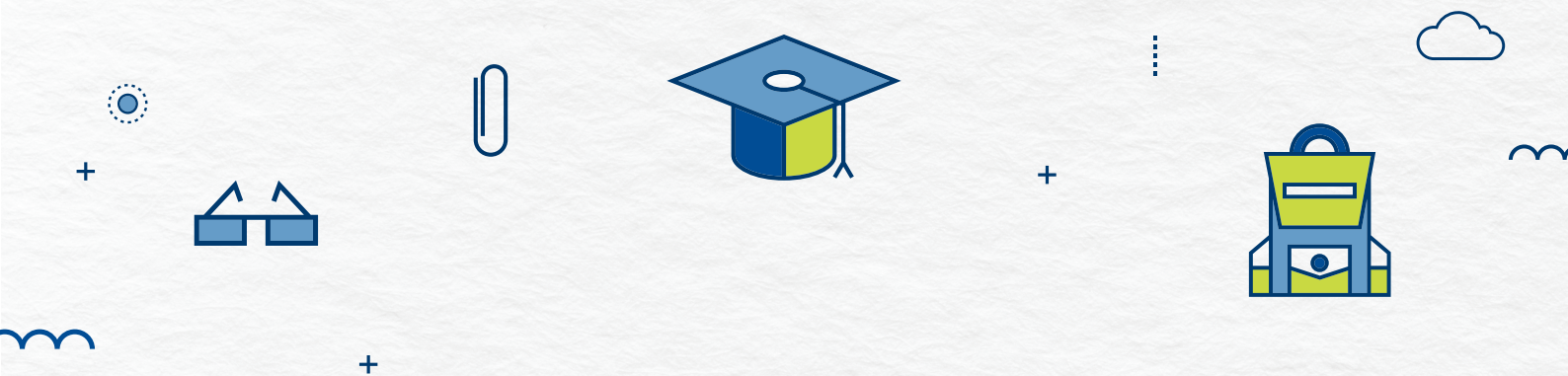


TEXTBOOKS

French is available in collaboration with the Alliance Française, with French-speaking (first language) teachers to encourage pronunciation, best practice and exciting cultural exposure.

PLEASE NOTE

Parents can expect an additional registration and examination fee to be paid to the IEB in the Grade 12 year, in order for the learner to complete the final examination.



Interested?

Speak to your head of high school or contact us at subjects@curro.co.za.