Our Mission

The mission of Alliance Française Mpls/St Paul, an independent chapter of a worldwide organization, is to serve our community by promoting the use and appreciation of French language and cultures through language classes, cultural programs, social events and information resources.

Why Alliance Française?

At Alliance Française, we’re more than just a school; we are the French cultural center serving the Twin Cities. Our students enjoy a simultaneous cultural and linguistic education. Take advantage of our resources including French films, books and magazines, and events for all tastes!

Our students become members of a community of French-speakers and Francophiles. Founded in Paris in 1883, Alliance Française is known around the world for its high-quality language programs. Join us today!

Our instructors come from France and other French-speaking countries around the world, trained in teaching French as a Foreign Language.

We believe immersion is the best means of learning French and we owe our success to that philosophy. From the moment you walk through the door, nous parlons français!

High School Club: Les Djeunes

Les Djeunes meets monthly for French cultural experiences at AFMSP as well as at local museums, theaters and art venues. Past events include guided tours in French at the Minneapolis Institute of Art, hip-hop dance classes, soccer games with meet-and-greets with French-speaking players, concerts at the Cedar Cultural Center and even kayaking! This Fall we met at an apple orchard!

Spring 2021 Youth Classes

Register for classes online at afmsp.org or call 612 332 0436!

Not sure of your level? Contact us for a placement test!
Ages 1 – 6
K – 1ST GRADE
Level 2
Material: Ludo et Ses Amis 2
Wed 2:30 to 3:15 pm. $120
Level 3
Material: Ludo et Ses Amis 3
Mon 4:45 to 5:30 pm. $120

Ages 7 – 9
2ND – 3RD GRADE
Level 1
Material: Cap Sur 1
Sat, 9 to 10 am. $160
Level 2
Material: Cap Sur 2
Sat, 10:30 to 11:30 am. $160

Ages 9 – 12
3RD – 5TH GRADE
Level 1
Material: Zig Zag 1
Mon, 4 to 5:30 pm. $205
Level 2
Material: Zig Zag 2.
Wed, 4 to 5:30 pm. $205
Level 4
Material: Zoom pas à pas 4
Sat, 9 to 10:30 am. $205

Ages 12 – 14
6TH – 8TH GRADE
Level 1
Material: A la Une 1
Sat, 11 am to 12:30 pm. $205
Level 3
Material: A la Une 3
Sat, 9 to 10:30 am. $205

Advanced & Immersion
GRADES 2-5 ADVANCED CONVERSATION & READING
This class is reserved for students in grades 2-5 who attend immersion schools, schools with a French curriculum or have a very advanced level of spoken French. The class combines practice through conversation and reading.
Material: L’Omelette au Sucre by Jean Philippe Arrou-Vignod
Tues, 3:30-4:30 pm. $160

TEEN ADVANCED CONVERSATION & GRAMMAR
This class is reserved for students in grades 6–10 who previously attended immersion schools, schools with a French curriculum, or have a very advanced level of spoken French. The class combines grammar fine-tuning and practice through conversation, reading and writing.
No textbook. Sat, 1 to 2:00 pm. $160

Class withdrawal policies
Withdrawals must be made in writing to the Education Director two weeks before classes begin. A $15 administrative fee will be deducted. Membership, registration fees and materials are not refundable. There are no credits for missed classes. There are no cash refunds available for course fees. Refunds may be delayed during the pandemic. As we all work to adjust to this unpredictable era, we are especially grateful for the generosity and support of our AFMSP community.

You may request a refund in the amount of your tuition: Refunds may be delayed during the pandemic. As we all work to adjust to this unpredictable era, we are especially grateful for the generosity and support of our AFMSP community.

For more information, please contact Sandra at 612 332 0436 or youth@afmsp.org

2021-2022 High School Scholarships
Each year, Alliance Française Mpls/St Paul awards several local high school students with a one-year scholarship to language classes. The scholarship program began in 2003 and covers all membership fees, tuition and materials for the student for one calendar year. The total value of the scholarship amounts to $2,000 per participant.

Acceptance to the program is determined by academic merit (GPA 3.0 or higher), financial need, access (or lack of access) to French programs in school, interest in French culture and the French language.