

Diocese of Greensburg Curriculum World Language Grade 4

Unit	Standards	Content	Skills
Alphabet and Numerals	ACTFL: Foreign Language Learning ACTFL: Grade 4 Communication Standard 1.1 Students engage in conversations, provide and obtain information, express feelings and emotions, and exchange opinions.	AlphabetNumbers	 Recognize the differences/similarities of the alphabet Repeat the song to memorize the alphabet Recite the alphabet in the target language Recognize the number words in the target language Counting in the target language Identify the written numeral Use numbers in real-life situations (phone numbers, out-of-sequence, page numbers, prices, etc.) Introduce basic spelling
	Read, listen to, and talk about age- appropriate school content, folk tales, short stories, poems, and songs, written for native speakers of the target language. Comparisons Standard 4.1 Demonstrate understanding of the nature of language through comparisons of the language studied and the students' own. Report differences and similarities between the sound and writing systems of the native language and the language being studied.		

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	Standard 4.2 Demonstrate understanding of the concept of culture through comparisons of the cultures studied and the students' own. Compare and contrast intangible products (e.g., rhymes, songs, folktales) of the target culture and the students' own. Copyright 1999, National Standards in Foreign Language Education Project. All rights reserved		
Basic Expressions	ACTFL: Foreign Language Learning ACTFL: Grade 4 Communication Standard 1.1 Students engage in conversations, provide and obtain information, express feelings and emotions, and exchange opinions. Give and follow simple instructions in order to participate in age-appropriate classroom and/or cultural activities. Ask and answer questions about topics such as family, school events, and celebrations in person or via letters, electronic media, audio or videotapes, etc. Share likes and dislikes. Exchange essential information such as greetings, leave-takings, and common classroom interactions using culturally appropriate gestures and oral expressions. Standard 1.2. Understand and interpret written and spoken language on a variety of topics. Comprehend main ideas in oral narratives such as personal anecdotes, familiar fairy tales, and other narratives based on familiar themes.	 Greetings and Good-byes How are you? and appropriate answers What is your name? and appropriate answers How old are you? and appropriate answers Manners (Please, Thank You, You're Welcome, Sorry, May I, Excuse Me, etc.) Where are you from? and appropriate answers When is your birthday? and appropriate answers 	 Utilize appropriate phrases to greet someone and to tell them good-by. Ask questions in the target language to learn about others (i.e. name, age, feelings) Answer questions about themselves Demonstrate the ability to use manners in the target language Match written word with pictures

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	Interpret gestures, intonation, and other visual and auditory cues.		
	Standard 1.3. Present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics.		
	Dramatize songs, short anecdotes, or poetry commonly known by peers in the target culture for members of another class.		
	Cultures Standard 2.1 Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the practices and perspectives of the cultures studied.		
	Observe, identify, and/or discuss simple patterns of behavior or interaction in various settings, such as school, family, and community.		
	Use appropriate gestures and oral expressions for greetings, leave takings, and common classroom interactions.		
	Connections Standard 3.2 Acquire information and recognize the distinctive viewpoints that are only available through the foreign language and its cultures.		
	Read, listen to, and talk about age- appropriate school content, folk tales, short stories, poems, and songs, written for native speakers of the target language.		
	Comparisons Standard 4.1 Demonstrate understanding of the nature of language through comparisons of the language studied and the students' own.		
	Demonstrate awareness of the existence of idiomatic expressions in both the native language and the language being studied,		

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	and talk about how idiomatic expressions work in general.		
	Standard 4.2 Demonstrate understanding of the concept of culture through comparisons of the cultures studied and the students' own.		
	Compare simple patterns of behavior or interaction in various cultural settings.		
	Demonstrate an awareness that gestures are an important part of communication and that gestures may differ among languages.		
	Communities Standard 5.1 Use the language both within and beyond the school setting.		
	Use the language to create imaginary situations.		
	Standard 5.2 Show evidence of becoming life-long learners by using the language for personal enjoyment and enrichment.		
	Exchange information about topics of personal interest.		
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Nouns (People, Places, Things)	ACTFL: Foreign Language Learning ACTFL: Grade 4 Communication Standard 1.1 Students engage in conversations, provide and obtain information, express feelings and emotions, and exchange opinions. Give and follow simple instructions in order to participate in age-appropriate classroom and/or cultural activities. Share likes and dislikes. Exchange descriptions of people and tangible products of the target culture, such as toys, dress, types of dwellings, and foods. Standard 1.2. Understand and interpret written and spoken language on a variety of topics. Comprehend main ideas in oral narratives such as personal anecdotes, familiar fairy tales, and other narratives based on familiar themes. Comprehend main themes and ideas and identify principal characters of stories. Comprehend principal messages contained in various media such as illustrated texts, posters, and advertisements. Interpret gestures, intonation, and other visual and auditory cues. Standard 1.3. Present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics. Dramatize songs, short anecdotes, or poetry commonly known by peers in the target culture for members of another class. Give short oral notes and messages, or write reports, about people and things in their	 Families (names) Neighborhood House Animals Clothing Food Geography/culture Classroom Items Puzzles 	Mimic correct pronunciation of the target language through repetition Respond during activities to identify pictures/items/etc. representing the target vocabulary Use the correct word for items in the target language Match written words with pictures Label vocabulary Demonstrate understanding through games and participation Begin to be able to describe nouns using the correct forms of adjectives

school environment and exchange the information with another language class either locally or via e-mail. Write or tell about products and/or practices of students' own culture to peers in the target	
culture.	
Cultures	
Standard 2.1 Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the practices and perspectives of the cultures studied.	
Observe, identify, and/or discuss simple patterns of behavior or interaction in various settings, such as school, family, and community.	
Use appropriate gestures and oral expressions for greetings, leave takings, and common classroom interactions.	
Participate in age-appropriate cultural activities, such as games, songs, celebrations, story telling and dramatizations.	
Standard 2.2 Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the products and perspectives of the cultures studied.	
Identify and observe tangible products of the culture.	
Identify, experience, or read about expressive products of the culture, such as songs, selections from literature, and artwork.	
Identify, discuss, and produce artwork, crafts, or graphic representations.	
Recognize themes, ideas, or perspectives of the target culture.	
Connections	

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	Standard 3.1 Reinforce and further knowledge of other disciplines through the foreign language.		
	Demonstrate an understanding of concepts learned in other subject areas in the target language, including weather, mathematics, measurements, animals, insects, and geographical concepts.		
	Standard 3.2 Acquire information and recognize the distinctive viewpoints that are only available through the foreign language and its cultures.		
	Read, listen to, and talk about age- appropriate school content, folk tales, short stories, poems, and songs, written for native speakers of the target language.		
	Comparisons Standard 4.1 Demonstrate understanding of the nature of language through comparisons of the language studied and the students' own.		
	Cite and use examples of words that are borrowed in the language students are learning and their own, and speculate about why languages in general might need to borrow words.		
	Realize that cognates enhance comprehension of spoken and written language, and demonstrate that awareness by identifying commonly occurring cognates in the language being studied.		
	Demonstrate an awareness of ways of expressing ideas both in their own language and the language being learned.		
	Standard 4.2 Demonstrate understanding of the concept of culture through comparisons of the cultures studied and the students' own.		

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	Demonstrate an awareness that gestures are an important part of communication and that gestures may differ among languages.		
	Compare and contrast tangible products (e.g., toys, sports equipment, food) of the target culture and the students' own.		
	Compare and contrast intangible products (e.g., rhymes, songs, folktales) of the target culture and the students' own.		
	Communities Standard 5.1 Use the language both within and beyond the school setting.		
	Use the language to create imaginary situations.		
	Present information about the target language and culture to others.		
	Perform for a school or community celebration.		
	Standard 5.2 Show evidence of becoming life-long learners by using the language for personal enjoyment and enrichment.		
	Play sports or games from the target culture.		
	Exchange information about topics of personal interest.		
	Plan real or imaginary travel.		
	Listen to music, sing songs, or play musical instruments from the target culture.		
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Routines	ACTFL: Foreign Language Learning ACTFL: Grade 4 Communication Standard 1.1 Students engage in conversations, provide and obtain information, express feelings and emotions, and exchange opinions. Give and follow simple instructions in order to participate in age-appropriate classroom and/or cultural activities. Ask and answer questions about topics such as family, school events, and celebrations in person or via letters, electronic media, audio or videotapes, etc. Exchange descriptions of people and tangible products of the target culture, such as toys, dress, types of dwellings, and foods. Exchange essential information such as greetings, leave-takings, and common classroom interactions using culturally appropriate gestures and oral expressions. Standard 1.2. Understand and interpret written and spoken language on a variety of topics. Comprehend main ideas in oral narratives such as personal anecdotes, familiar fairy tales, and other narratives based on familiar themes. Identify people and objects in students' environment or from other school subjects, based on oral and written descriptions. Comprehend main themes and ideas and identify principal characters of stories. Comprehend principal messages contained in various media such as illustrated texts, posters, and advertisements.	Content Calendar (Month, Day, Numbers) Seasons and Weather Holidays and Celebrations Daily Routines Prayer	The students will be able to: Participate in daily routines in the target language Compare and contrast how holidays are celebrated in different countries Describe the weather during different seasons Lead class in routine activities

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	Interpret gestures, intonation, and other visual and auditory cues.		
	Standard 1.3. Present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics.		
	Prepare illustrated stories about activities or events in their environment and share these stories and events with an audience such as the class.		
	Dramatize songs, short anecdotes, or poetry commonly known by peers in the target culture for members of another class.		
	Give short oral notes and messages, or write reports, about people and things in their school environment and exchange the information with another language class either locally or via e-mail.		
	Cultures		
	Standard 2.1 Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the practices and perspectives of the cultures studied.		
	Observe, identify, and/or discuss simple patterns of behavior or interaction in various settings, such as school, family, and community.		
	Use appropriate gestures and oral expressions for greetings, leave takings, and common classroom interactions.		
	Participate in age-appropriate cultural activities, such as games, songs, celebrations, story telling and dramatizations.		
	Standard 2.2 Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the products and perspectives of the cultures studied.		

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	Identify and observe tangible products of the culture.		
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	Identify, discuss, and produce artwork, crafts, or graphic representations.		
	Recognize themes, ideas, or perspectives of the target culture.		
	Connections Standard 3.1 Reinforce and further knowledge of other disciplines through the foreign language.		
	Demonstrate an understanding of concepts learned in other subject areas in the target language, including weather, mathematics, measurements, animals, insects, and geographical concepts.		
	Standard 3.2 Acquire information and recognize the distinctive viewpoints that are only available through the foreign language and its cultures.		
	Read, listen to, and talk about age- appropriate school content, folk tales, short stories, poems, and songs, written for native speakers of the target language.		
	Comparisons Standard 4.1 Demonstrate understanding of the nature of language through comparisons of the language studied and the students' own.		
	Cite and use examples of words that are borrowed in the language students are learning and their own, and speculate about why languages in general might need to borrow words.		

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	Realize that cognates enhance comprehension of spoken and written language, and demonstrate that awareness by identifying commonly occurring cognates in the language being studied.		
	Demonstrate awareness of the existence of idiomatic expressions in both the native language and the language being studied, and talk about how idiomatic expressions work in general.		
	Demonstrate an awareness of formal and informal forms of language in greetings and leave-takings, and try out expressions of politeness in target and native languages.		
	Report differences and similarities between the sound and writing systems of the native language and the language being studied.		
	Demonstrate an awareness of ways of expressing ideas both in their own language and the language being learned.		
	Standard 4.2 Demonstrate understanding of the concept of culture through comparisons of the cultures studied and the students' own.		
	Compare simple patterns of behavior or interaction in various cultural settings.		
	Demonstrate an awareness that gestures are an important part of communication and that gestures may differ among languages.		
	Compare and contrast tangible products (e.g., toys, sports equipment, food) of the target culture and the students' own.		
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	Communities		

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	Standard 5.1 Use the language both within and beyond the school setting.		
	Use the language to create imaginary situations.		
	Present information about the target language and culture to others.		
	Perform for a school or community celebration.		
	Standard 5.2 Show evidence of becoming life-long learners by using the language for personal enjoyment and enrichment.		
	Read materials and/or use media from the target language and culture for enjoyment and personal growth.		
	Play sports or games from the target culture.		
	Exchange information about topics of personal interest.		
	Plan real or imaginary travel.		
	Attend, or view via the media, cultural events and social activities in the target language and/or from the target culture.		
	Listen to music, sing songs, or play musical instruments from the target culture.		
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Grammar	ACTFL: Foreign Language Learning ACTFL: Grade 4 Communication Standard 1.1 Students engage in conversations, provide and obtain information, express feelings and emotions, and exchange opinions. Give and follow simple instructions in order to participate in age-appropriate classroom and/or cultural activities. Ask and answer questions about topics such as family, school events, and celebrations in person or via letters, electronic media, audio or videotapes, etc. Exchange descriptions of people and tangible products of the target culture, such as toys, dress, types of dwellings, and foods. Exchange essential information such as greetings, leave-takings, and common classroom interactions using culturally appropriate gestures and oral expressions. Standard 1.2. Understand and interpret written and spoken language on a variety of topics. Identify people and objects in students' environment or from other school subjects, based on oral and written descriptions. Comprehend brief written messages and short personal notes on familiar topics such as family, school events, and celebrations. Interpret gestures, intonation, and other visual and auditory cues. Standard 1.3. Present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics.	 Definite articles and indefinite articles Plurals Adjectives Noun/Adjective Agreement Verbs Gender Constructing simple sentences 	The students will be able to: Form plurals Compose simple written or oral phrases using noun/adjective agreements Recognize verbs Recognize the gender of word Construct simple sentences with teacher assistance Describe nouns using the correct forms of adjectives

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	Dramatize songs, short anecdotes, or poetry commonly known by peers in the target culture for members of another class.		
	Cultures Standard 2.1 Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the practices and perspectives of the cultures studied.		
	Observe, identify, and/or discuss simple patterns of behavior or interaction in various settings, such as school, family, and community.		
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	comparisons of the language studied and the students' own.		
	Cite and use examples of words that are borrowed in the language students are learning and their own, and speculate about why languages in general might need to borrow words.		
	Communities Standard 5.1 Use the language both within and beyond the school setting.		
	Communicate on a personal level with speakers of the target language via letters, the Internet, audiotapes, and videotapes.		
	Identify professions that require proficiency in another language.		
	Standard 5.2 Show evidence of becoming life-long learners by using the language for personal enjoyment and enrichment.		
	Read materials and/or use media from the target language and culture for enjoyment and personal growth.		
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