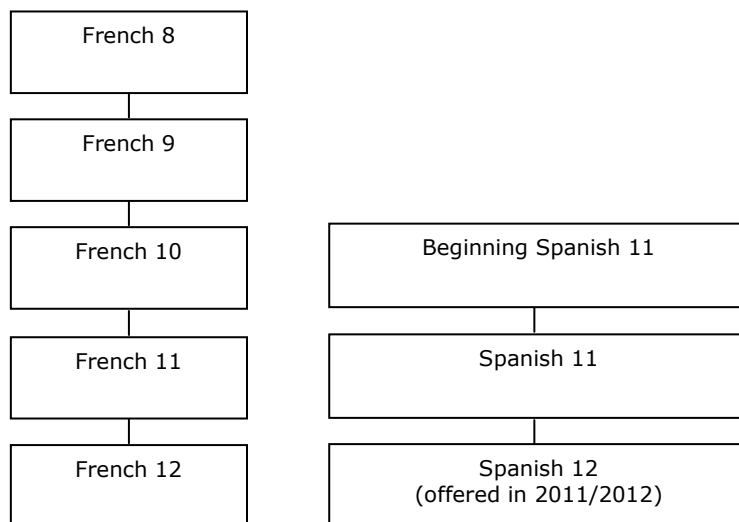


## LANGUAGES

Those who graduate knowing other languages and knowing them well will have a big advantage in the job market. Seycove's languages program offers you the opportunity to study French and/or Spanish. Both languages will give you a chance to learn about the cultures; the courses will provide you with communication skills that can be used while working, traveling and meeting people from other cultures. At the beginning stages, our program stresses the oral aspect of the languages, whereas in higher grades the written study will become as important. Knowing two or more languages will open many doors along the way. Join us in our program and give your mind a chance to travel through foreign languages.



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## COURSES

### LANGUAGES - French 9 (FR9)

Students who wish to continue their French language studies enter a three-year program. The French 9 program is a continuation of the "Ca Marche!" program started in French 8. French is taught using a communicative/experiential approach in which students are involved in real-life, meaningful interaction in French. The goal of such an approach is to have students achieve a degree of fluency in Canada's other official language and to gain insight into francophone culture around the world.

### LANGUAGES - French 10 (FR10)

In this course the oral/aural communication is expanded to more reading and writing skills. Students are introduced to French compositions. New vocabulary is directly linked to students' own daily life and the variety in the activities ensures that all needs and interests will be met.

### LANGUAGES - French 11 (FR11)

French 11 classes are conducted primarily in French. Through listening, speaking, reading, and writing the students will now further their communicative and linguistic skills. The program emphasizes learning through real-life interaction, facilitates grouping and collaborative learning, and builds language competency through an integrated, developmental, and flexible approach. Students will also be introduced to French literature. *French 11 satisfies the language requirement for direct admission to BC universities. College admission does not have a Language 11 requirement.*

### LANGUAGES - French 12 (FR12)

**(Provincial Exam - Optional)**

French 12 is an advanced language and literature course designed for students interested in mastering a second language or furthering their French study at university. Students will perfect their communicative proficiency as well as grammar and vocabulary acquisition. Classes are conducted in French and students will have many opportunities to engage in interesting discussions about topics drawn from their daily, school, and personal lives as well as any other topics of interest. Knowing a second language will open up opportunities in today's job market. *A C+ or better in FR11 is strongly recommended.*

## LANGUAGES

### **LANGUAGES - Beginning Spanish 11 (BSP11) [open to students in Grades 10, 11 and 12]**

The object of Beginning Spanish 11 is to provide an opportunity for students to begin the study of Spanish as a second language. Contrary to popular belief among students, the study of Spanish, particularly Spanish 11, is not necessarily easier than French. However, Beginners Spanish 11 provides the opportunity to explore a new language with fun-filled, student-oriented activities. The course contains the fundamental elements in learning a language - listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Students will engage in beginners' conversation and learn how to talk about themselves, their immediate families, their hobbies, and other real-life situations. Students are introduced to Hispanic culture through discussion, in-class projects, and visual aids. No prerequisite is required; however, students need to be in Grade 10 or higher or have permission of the Languages Department. Beginning Spanish is accepted as a Language 11 in some post-secondary institutions.

Students who intend to continue with Spanish 11 need to be aware of the following:

- The enrolment figure will be a determining factor whether the course will be offered each year or on alternating years.
- Attempting to reach a Grade 11 level language competency is challenging; therefore, teacher recommendation at the end of the Beginner's course would be a critical factor in a student's decision to successfully enrol in Spanish 11.

### **LANGUAGES - Spanish 11 (SP11) [open to students in Grades 11 and 12]**

Spanish 11 is a continuation of the Beginners' course and enables students to acquire the Grade 11 language credentials. This course is for students who wish to pursue the study of the language with interest and determination. Students will develop their communication skills as well as gain a better comprehension of the linguistic aspects of the Spanish language, cultural aspects, and some literature. The study of different aspects of cultural life in Spanish-speaking countries will enrich and widen students' general awareness of the world. A C+ or better in BSP11 is strongly recommended.