

Oakwood City School District

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Cultures: Gain and use knowledge and understanding of other cultures.

- A. Through the target language, students examine the relationship among the products, practices and perspectives of the target culture(s).
- B. Students enhance their understanding by making cultural comparisons and developing cultural insights.
- C. The examination of products and practices in relation to shared cultural perspectives enables learners to understand authentic cultural contexts and use acceptable language and behavior in those contexts.
- D. As they become globally competent citizens, students learn that language and culture are inextricably linked.
- E. As they participate in multilingual communities and various cultures at home and around the world, both in person and via technology, they come to understand and abide by the constraints and freedoms afforded to individuals in the target culture(s) and their own.

7-8 WORLD LANGUAGES COMMUNICATIONS

Communication: Communicate in languages other than English, both in person and via technology.

- A. Interpretive Communication (Reading, Listening/Viewing)
 - Learners comprehend the main idea and relevant details in a variety of age-appropriate live, written and recorded messages; personal anecdotes; and narratives in the language.
 - They understand and interpret authentic texts ranging from articles in contemporary magazines, newspapers and Internet sources to children's stories and classical literary texts.
 - Learners derive meaning through the use of listening, viewing and reading strategies.
 - Learners reinforce and expand their knowledge across disciplines as they acquire

information and distinctive viewpoints directly through authentic print, nonprint and digital language and culture sources.

B. Interpersonal Communication (Speaking/Signing, Listening/Viewing, Reading and Writing)

- Learners initiate and sustain meaningful spoken, written and signed communication by providing and obtaining information, expressing feelings and emotions, and exchanging opinions in culturally appropriate ways.
- Learners actively negotiate meaning across languages and cultures to ensure that their messages are understood and that they can understand others.

C. Presentational Communication (Speaking/Signing and Writing)

- Learners present information, concepts, ideas and viewpoints on a variety of topics to audiences of listeners, readers or viewers for varied purposes.
- Learners demonstrate linguistic and cultural competence through academic endeavors, creative undertakings and artistic expression.
- Learners use their understanding of culture to convey messages in a manner that facilitates interpretation by others where no direct opportunity for the active negotiation of meaning exists.