

**HALLO**  
mein Name ist

Hallo Freunde!



**BONJOUR**  
Je m'appelle



**HOLA**  
mi nombre es



# 6<sup>th</sup> grade World Language Presentation

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- In today's world, knowledge of more than one language is **essential**.
- Businesses list the ability to speak a **World Language** among their top **ten desired job skills**
- Studying a World Language will **expand your world**.
- Many of you will use your language skills at work and when meeting others from around the world.
- We live in an international tourist destination area, filled with **opportunities** for **speaking a second language**.

Did you know that in 6<sup>th</sup> grade you get to select the foreign language you will take in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade and beyond?



# Why take a World Language?

- Speaking another language is exciting (like a secret code) Twin talk
- Taking a foreign language through high school is important if you want to go to college— you can even earn college credit while at KE or KW
- People who can speak more than one language earn around \$250,000 more in their lifetime! Why?



We offer three languages  
in both Ken-Ton middle schools:

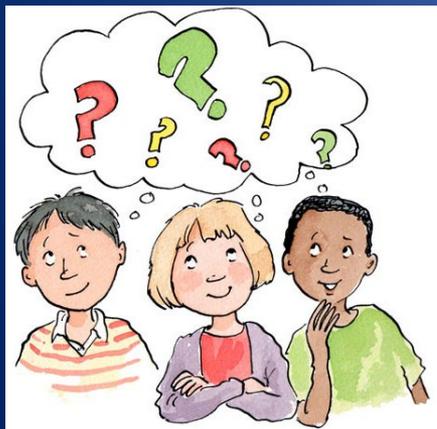
French



German



Spanish



Which one is for me?





FRENCH?

GERMAN?

SPANISH?

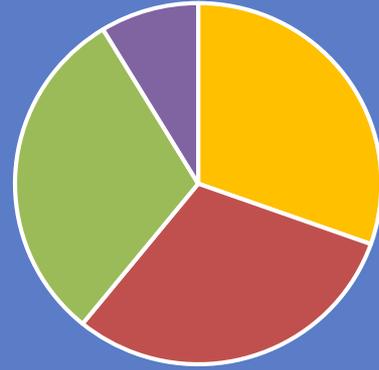
# All the wrong reasons to choose one language over another:

- My older sister took French and she said it was easy!
- My brother said Germans make the best Schnitzel, so I want to take German!
- I heard they make piñatas in Spanish, and I like candy!



# FOR *the* RIGHT REASONS

## What are the right reasons?



- curiosity about a language
- family heritage
- desire to travel
- job/career plans
- past experience with a language
- family member speaks the language



# French/le Français



- French is the 11<sup>th</sup> most widely spoken language in the world!
- 200 million people around the world understand, speak, read or write French.
- New York State shares a border with Quebec, which is one of our largest trading partners!
- France is one of the largest nations in the European Union.



# French



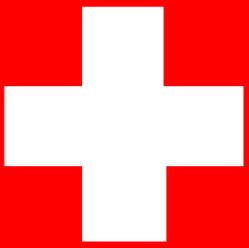
- More than a third of all English words are derived directly or indirectly from French, and it's estimated that English speakers who have never studied French already know 15,000 French words!
- What does it sound like? Here's a sample:

Bonjour, je m'appelle Sylvain et j'habite à Montréal!

Hello, my name is Sylvain and I live in Montreal!

# The French Exchange!

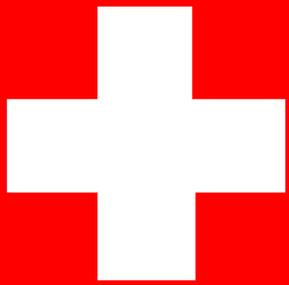




# German/Deutsch



- Over 100 million people in the world speak German, with over 5 million in the U.S.!
- Germany's economy ranks #4 in the world.
- It is known for fast cars, modern engineering, high-tech industry and, of course, soccer! You may know that Germany won the World Cup for the 4<sup>th</sup> time in 2014.
- 1 in 6 Western New Yorkers in Erie county claim German heritage. Do you have German ancestors?



# German



- Since English and German come from the same language family, English speakers will find many words (26%!) very familiar!
- What does it sound like? Here's a sample:

Hallo, ich bin Nikolas! Ich wohne in Berlin und ich spiele gern Fußball!

Hi, my name is Nick – I live in Berlin and like to play soccer!

# The German Exchange!





# Spanish/Español



- With over 329 million native speakers, Spanish is the second most widely spoken language in the world. (Chinese is first and English is third.)
- Spanish is the second most spoken language in the U.S. with over 50 million speakers.
- Many businesses in all areas of the U.S. depend on a bilingual workforce to communicate with their clients.
- Most of south and central America is Spanish-speaking – and many American companies do business there!



# Spanish/Español

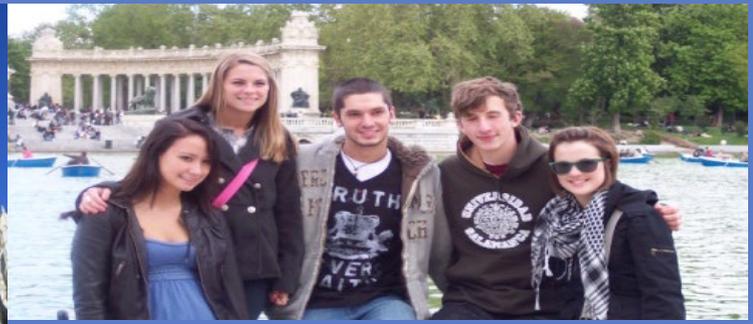


- Many words in Spanish will already seem familiar to English speakers, since Spanish, like French is a Romance language – meaning it developed from ancient Latin.
- Since many U.S. Americans grow up hearing Spanish around them, it probably won't sound very strange to you! Here's a sample:

¡Hola! Me llamo Rafael y me gusta jugar al tenis!

Hi! My name is Rafael and I like to play tennis!

# The Spanish Exchange!





# Think about it!



- No matter which language you choose, you won't be disappointed!



- Choose carefully – you'll stay in the language you choose for at least two years – and maybe up to six!
- If you find that you LOVE learning languages, you might be able to add a second foreign language in high school!





# Think about it!



- In New York State, all students are required to take and successfully complete **two years** of a foreign language and take and **pass the final exam** at the end of 8<sup>th</sup> grade – to earn **one high school credit**.
- 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade are your required two years, so make the most of them – we're sure you'll want to continue in high school too!



<https://youtu.be/evVd6p2K2-Y?t=1>  
child counting in 6 languages!



Good bye! See you soon!

French



Au revoir et bientôt!

German



Tschüß und bis bald!

Spanish



Adiós y hasta pronto!

