

To: French students and their parents
From: The French teachers: Madame X, Madame Y, Mademoiselle Z et Monsieur W
Re: Le Grand Concours (The National French Contest)

Dear devoted and enthusiastic French students,

Do you like challenges, medals, French music CDs, books, and certificates? Would you like the opportunity to see how you rank with other students in our school, our state and our nation who are taking the same level of French as you are? Would you like to have an academic award on your high school transcript and résumé when you are applying for college? If so, consider taking the National French Contest Exam! Below is the pertinent information which will help you make the decision to participate in the contest.

DATE: Wednesday, March 7, 20--

TIME: 3:15 – 4:15 p.m.

PLACE: at the campus where you attend your classes

TEST FORMAT: The test is offered online. It's multiple choice (sections: listening, reading, grammar completions). You may check out copies of the tests from previous years with which to study if you so desire. See your French teacher.

COST: _____ per person. Register with your French teacher. Pay in cash or a check [or via _____]. (Make checks payable to _____).

REGISTRATION DUE DATE: _____ **No late registrations will be accepted!**

While we certainly do not require that students take this elective exam, we have chosen to offer it to students and have made it easy for students to take the test. We feel that taking this test gives students a valuable opportunity. It is an opportunity to affirm each student's own achievements and that of the French program at _____.

Furthermore, the College Board suggests that students take the National French Contest Exam in preparation for building strength toward the AP exams' multiple-choice section. We have a syllabus for the exam, which we will gladly provide to anyone who requests it. It gives in detail all the aspects of language that are tested at each level of the exam. Every year _____ students earn national, state and local awards for their performance on these tests. Why not try to be one of those who will get honored for their hard work and desire to excel in French? Please contact any of the French teachers at _____ School if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
Mme ____, Mme ____, Mlle ____, and M. _____