



Ruppel Academie Francaise

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RUPPEL ACADEMIE FRANCAISE– Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Will Ruppel Academie Francaise have the same curriculum as an Advanced Study Academy (ASA)?

A: Students attending Ruppel Academie Francaise will experience the same curriculum as students attending an Advanced Study Academy with the additional benefit of daily classes in the French language.

Q: Will my child be able to transfer to an ASA?

A: Ruppel Academie Francaise is a unique school within JPS, with different admission criteria, therefore, **transfers from Ruppel Academie Francaise to ASAs will not be possible.**

Q: Where will my child go for 9th grade after Ruppel?

A: Ruppel Academie Francaise students who score a minimum of Mastery on the English and math sections of the LEAP test in 7th grade, may elect to move on to an Advanced Study Academy for 9th grade, capacity permitting. Students may not move up to an Advanced Study Academy if they do not meet the academic requirements to remain in Ruppel Academie Francaise.

Another option is that 8th grade students attending Ruppel Academie Francaise may apply for admission to the International Baccalaureate Magnet Program for 9th grade.

Q: Will transportation be provided?

A: Yes. There will be transportation hubs strategically located on both sides of the river for Ruppel Academie Francaise students.

Q: Will there be before and after care available?

A: The decision to provide before and after care will be made by the principal of Ruppel Academie Francaise because the Ruppel Academie Francaise campus would be the only before and after care site for Ruppel Academie Francaise students.

Q: Is there tuition for Pre-K?

A: All Jefferson Parish Schools Pre-K programs are subject to tuition based upon family income. More specific information will be made available upon registration.

Free Tuition for all JPPSS preschool classes, including the academy schools, are available to children who meet age and income eligibility requirements (200% or less of the Federal Poverty



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Level). Classes shall be provided at no cost except for the applicable lunch cost to the child or his/her family for any child who is eligible to receive reduced price meals. Tuition will be charged for the months of August through May, for any child who does not meet eligibility requirements (200% or less of the Federal Poverty Level). Families will be required to provide Proof of Income (found on the ASA's and/or PK Department's web page) in order to determine eligibility for free tuition. Families who do not provide proof of income will be charged tuition at the highest rate on the sliding fee scale that is developed, reviewed and adjusted yearly according to the Federal Poverty Level. See current sliding fee scale at

Q: How many sections of each grade level will there be for the 2020-2021 school year?

A: There will be two sections of Pre-K, kindergarten, and 1st grade and one section each of 2nd through 5th grade.

Q: What is the admission criteria for Ruppel Academy?

A: Students will apply during designated application windows and be required to test eligible for admission to Ruppel Academie Francaise. The admissions test score required is the 75th percentile.

Available openings will be assigned to students in rank order of their admissions test scores from highest to the 75th percentile. Students who test eligible for admission, but there are no remaining openings, will be wait listed in rank order.

Beginning with admissions for the 2020-2021 school year, students applying for grades 3 and higher who score a minimum of 75 on the admissions test will have to demonstrate some proficiency in the French language by meeting the required level on a peer normed proficiency test. This will ensure that a student entering 3rd grade or higher will have sufficient ability in French to join the French language class at his or her grade level.

Q: Are there academic criteria for a student to remain at Ruppel Academie Francaise?

A: Academic Dismissal Protocol

Each Ruppel Academie Francaise student's final course averages in grades two through seven will be reviewed at the end of a school year. A student's final/end of course letter grade for all courses attempted excluding physical education and health, will be averaged using the following un-weighted (honors points not included) quality point values: A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1, and F = 0. So that all qualifying courses may be averaged, in grade 2 a final letter grade in Language Arts and math will be averaged. In grade 3, a final letter grade will be calculated for science and social studies and averaged in addition to Language Arts and math. If a student earns less than a 2.0 final average (rounding up is not permitted) in all qualifying courses attempted during a school year, he/she will be dismissed from Ruppel Academie Francaise and not be allowed to apply for



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readmission for at least one academic year. In addition to the grade point average requirement, a student's performance in all courses attempted during the school year will be reviewed at the conclusion of a school year. If a student earns a final/end of course letter grade average of "F" for any two courses attempted during the course of a school year, the student will be dismissed and not be allowed to apply for readmission to Ruppel Academie Francaise for at least one academic year. Families who wish to appeal an academic dismissal may submit an Academic Dismissal Appeal Form to the Compliance Office for consideration.

For more information, please call the Admissions Office at (504) 349-7792