

**Cape Elizabeth School Department  
New Program/Position Proposal  
FY 21**

SCHOOL/DEPT:	0.4 FTE Foreign Language
SUBMITTED BY:	Ali Gwyther
PROPOSAL NAME:	Introductory French
PRIORITY RANK ORDER: ____ OF ____ SCHOOL/DEPT PROPOSALS	
DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:	As a department we want to offer an introductory French course.
JUSTIFICATION (HOW PROPOSAL SUPPORTS DISTRICT'S 5-YEAR PLAN with SUPPORTING DATA):	In the past we have not been able to offer an introductory French course. Students have been pushed into French II when they are not ready for it. Or we have placed them into Spanish 1. The problem with placement into Spanish 1 is that these students have been in French all along and now they have to contend with a different language. We also have not been able to address the desires of passionate language students to add French as a second world language of study.
GOALS AND EXPECTED BENEFITS:	Allowing students to get the necessary foundation so that they are able to continue language study throughout their 4 years of high school.
CONSEQUENCES OF NON-APPROVAL:	Students being placed where they should not be or switching languages on them which makes no sense pedagogically.
LOWER COST ALTERNATIVE (IF APPLICABLE):	
RESOURCES REQUIRED (LIST AND COST OF STAFF/MATERIALS/SPACE):	Funds for staffing 0.4FTE position
IS PROPOSAL TO BE FUNDED WITH NEW FUNDS OR A REALLOCATION OF EXISTING FUNDS? IF NEW, LIST ACCOUNT CODE(S) TO BE USED. IF A REALLOCATION, LIST CURRENT ACCOUNT CODE(S).	New funds