

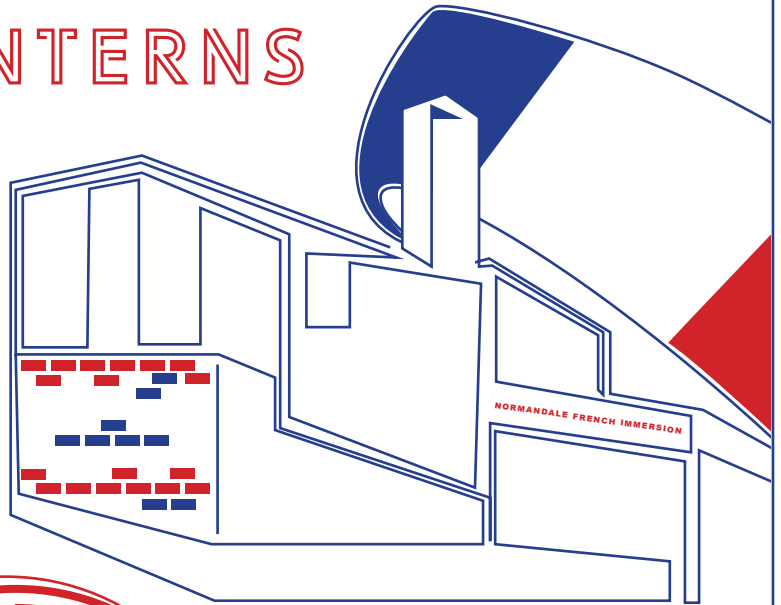
EDINA FRENCH INTERNS

> **ENHANCE.** French Interns help provide the individual and small group attention students need to successfully learn a second language.

> **EXPERIENCE.** By working directly with native, French speaking interns, our children are surrounded by living language and culture models in the classroom!



> **EXCEL.** Due to the quality & rigor of our French immersion program, Normandale has gained international recognition by receiving the "Label FrancÉducation" award issued by the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Education. Normandale is the only Minnesota school to obtain this award and only 37 US schools, out of 285 schools worldwide, have received it.

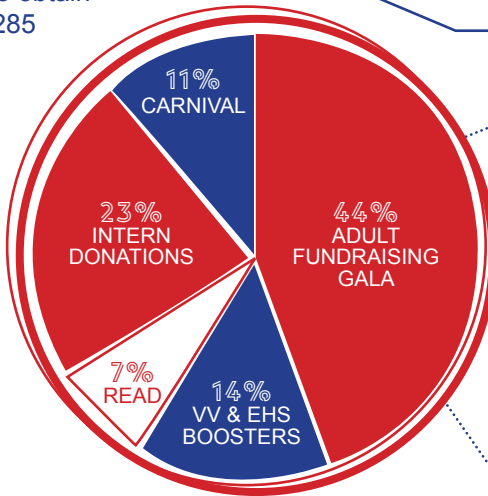


WHO ARE THE FRENCH INTERNS & HOW ARE THEY SELECTED?

Normandale teachers Sharon Norlander & Rolland Talan interview between **100-150** pre-selected candidates from top universities & teaching institutions PLUS

- > Clean criminal background check
- > Formal application
- > Résumé
- > Letters of recommendation
- > Essay questions

They narrow this number to **27** interns to work in our district the following year.



2023/2024 FRENCH INTERN FUNDING

French Intern funding comes exclusively from fundraising dollars & donations. Here is the % breakdown of key fundraisers:

- > Adult Fundraising Gala: 44%
- > Intern Donations: 23%
- > Extended French Booster Club: 14% (Middle School and High School)
- > Carnival: 11%

OPTIMAL FRENCH INTERN ALLOCATION AMONG SCHOOLS

Normandale Elementary

Kindergarten: 5 interns, 1 per class
 1st grade: 4 interns, 1 per class
 2nd grade: 3 interns, 1 per class
 3rd – 5th grade: 2 interns per grade

Valley View & Edina High School Extended French Program

Valley View: 3 interns
 Edina High School: 3 interns

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

PTO & Fundraising and Interns & Hosting, please visit:
www.normandalepto.org

HOW MUCH TO FUND A FRENCH INTERN?

It takes approximately \$163K annually to effectively cover the costs of French Interns.

This supports the following expenses:

- > Intern Health Insurance
- > Staff & Intern Stipends
- > Visas

THE COST OF THIS SPECIALIZED PROGRAM IS SUPPORTED BY YOUR DONATIONS AND OUR FUNDRAISING. YOUR PARTICIPATION IN BOTH ACTIVITIES IS CRITICAL TO SUSTAINING THE VIABILITY OF OUR FRENCH INTERN PROGRAM.



HOST FAMILIES

Without our generous Host Families we could not bring French Interns to Edina! Through volunteering as a Host Family you are not only setting our children up for success in the classroom, you are providing your family with a unique opportunity to engage in enriching cross-cultural, long-lasting, relationships and experiences.