AATF-Wisconsin

American Association of Teachers of French - Wisconsin Chapter

Concours Pédagogique FAQ

The Concours Pédagogique was designed to help educators be more reflective in their own planning and to promote the sharing of standards-based and AP-aligned units between colleagues at all levels as a benefit to all of our members.

I don't teach AP, why does my unit need to be aligned with the AP French Language and Culture exam? *The new AP French Language and Culture exam requires teachers to start looking at how they address culture at all levels. Unless your unit is completely devoid of culture, it will align somewhere and most likely in more than one place.*

Three pages of checklists? Is my unit supposed to meet all of these standards? *Yes, three pages. In order to help our colleagues at all levels across the state, we need to show how we do our work in many different ways. No, your unit does not need to meet every standard, but the best ones will meet a lot of them.*

Why does my unit need to have a technology component? *Integrating technology in the classroom is an important part of what we do. Without technology, we are not taking advantage of all of the resources that are available to us.*

Does original materials mean that I can't use anything that isn't mine? *No, you can include an article from a magazine or newspaper, a video from YouTube or an App from iTunes, but what you do with it is what needs to be original. Activities taken from textbooks or other resources cannot be submitted as part of your entry.*

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Will my submission be published even if I don't win? *Yes, we want to share as many units as possible as a benefit to our members. All of them will be published on our website for teachers to access.*

What is the best way to submit my materials? *Emailing them as a .doc or .docx file is best, that way we can make sure that they all have a consistent look when published on our website. However, we will accept .pdf or other digital files and mailed-in paper submissions as well.*

Who decides on the winner? *The AATF-Wisconsin Executive Board will review all entries and come to a consensus.*

How do they decide who wins? *The AATF-Wisconsin Executive Board will be looking for a unit that is standards-based, contains some component of each mode of communication, includes performance-based assessment, and a technology component.*

I have another question… *Email the AATF-Wisconsin Chapter President at justinfrieman@yahoo.com.*