

# American Sign Language 2: High School Level

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<b>Grades:</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Prerequisite:</b>	<b>ASL 1 at OTA OR contact me to see if my ASL course is appropriate placement.</b>
<b>Day of Week:</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
<b>Time of Class:</b>	<b>11:00 a.m. EST</b>
<b>Length of Course:</b>	<b>30 weeks</b>
<b>Semester:</b>	<b>Fall, Winter, Spring</b>
<b>Tuition:</b>	<b>\$600.00</b>

**High School Credit:** **1 year of Foreign Language\*\* OR Elective**

\*\* NOTE: Most states and colleges accept ASL as a Foreign Language; however, some do not. Please verify with your state/college you are interested in if they will accept ASL as a Foreign Language Credit.

## **Class Dates:**

Week 1: Week of October 4

Week 2: Week of October 11

Week 3: Week October 18

Week 4: Week of October 25

Week 5: Week of November 1

Week 6: Week of November 8

Week 7: Week of November 15

No classes: November 22 – November 26 (Thanksgiving Week)

Week 8: Week of November 29

Week 9: Week of December 6

Week 10: Week of December 13

Make Up Week: Week of January 3

Week 11: Week of January 10

Week 12: Week of January 17

Week 13: Week of January 24

Week 14: Week of January 31

Week 15: Week of February 7

Week 16: Week of February 14

Week 17: Week of February 21

Week 18: Week of February 28

Week 19: Week of March 7

Week 20: Week of March 14

Make Up Week: Week of March 21

Week 21: Week of March 28

Week 22: Week of April 4

Week 23: Week of April 11

No classes: Week of April 18 – 22 (Spring Break: Passover and Easter)

Week 24: Week of April 25

No classes: Week of May 2 – 6 (Eid Al Fitr)

Week 25: Week of May 9

Week 26: Week of May 16

Week 27: Week of May 23

Week 28: Week of May 30

Week 29: Week of June 6

Week 30: Week of June 13

Make Up Week: Week of June 20

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### **Description of Class:**

Are your students ready to move on to advanced ASL concepts and become fluent signers? This is the class for them! We'll be taking what we know about ASL and building on it to help students communicate fluently with the deaf and hard-of-hearing community. If your students have been frustrated at the lack of progress in understanding how to sign, this course will strengthen their receptive skills and their expression skills so that they'll be signing with the best!

This class is an advanced course based on completion of ASL Level 1 or one year of previous structured ASL learning. The goal of this course is signing fluency, so classes will build toward being held completely in ASL by the end of the last term.

### **Class Approach:**

The curriculum parallels what we know about language development and second language learning. We focus on introducing language in context and reinforcing what is learned by engaging you into various interactive activities. A conversational curriculum requires you to be an active learner. You need to come prepared to sign with me and other classmates.

### **Goals:**

To complete Signing Naturally Units 7-12. That being said, the schedule is subject to change, based on the progression of the class.

By the end of this course, students should be fairly fluent in use of ASL.

### **Textbook:**

Signing Naturally Units 7-12 (with DVD)

Available from Dawn Sign Press

[www.dawnsign.com](http://www.dawnsign.com)

**OR**

Amazon.com: <http://amzn.to/2FbSaMM>

### **Additional Supplies/Resources Needed:**

DVD included with textbook: Note the DVD is required for this class. If you purchase the textbook used, make sure that the DVD is included.

### **Requirements:**

Class attendance is VITAL to students' success in this class, especially as new signers. While your teacher is your primary resource, students will find that they will learn from each other as well.

### **Class Homework:**

There will be three graded homework assignments after each class.

Students will be required to watch videos (included with your textbook) and to produce videos of their own, showing their increasing signing skills as the quarter progresses.

### **Homework Policy:**

Homework should be submitted by the deadline. Please check the assignment details for each

project.

### **Additional Policies:**

Our classes are conducted in American Sign Language (ASL) from the very first day. You are immersed in the language, not including your homework, to maximize your language learning. The teacher will use gestures, signs, drawings and act out situations to get the point across and your job is to keep trying. By the end of the course, classes will take place entirely in ASL.

### **Evaluation:**

Grades are based on the following:

- Participation Grade: 20% (To get the full 20 points, you must participate in each graded discussion posted during the year. There will be one graded discussion assignment per class.)
- Quizzes: 20% (To get the full 20 points, you must complete each graded quiz posted during the year. There will be one graded quiz per class session.)
- Homework: 10% (To get the full 10 points, you must complete each homework assignment posted during the year. There will be one graded homework assignment per class.)
- Midterm Exam 25%
- Final Exam 25%

### **Grading Scale:**

Percentages/Grades

100-90:	A
89-80:	B
79-70:	C
69-60:	D
59 – 0:	F

### **Anticipated Weekly Course Schedule:**

<b>Week</b>	<b>Topic</b>
<b>Week 1</b>	Syllabus, Unit 7
<b>Week 2</b>	Unit 7
<b>Week 3</b>	Unit 7
<b>Week 4</b>	Unit 7
<b>Week 5</b>	Unit 7
<b>Week 6</b>	Unit 7
<b>Week 7</b>	Unit 8

<b>Week</b>	<b>Topic</b>
<b>Week 8</b>	Unit 8
<b>Week 9</b>	Unit 8
<b>Week 10</b>	Unit 8
<b>Week 11</b>	Unit 9
<b>Week 12</b>	Unit 9
<b>Week 13</b>	Unit 9
<b>Week 14</b>	Unit 9
<b>Week 15</b>	Unit 9
<b>Week 16</b>	Mid-Term
<b>Week 17</b>	Unit 10
<b>Week 18</b>	Unit 10
<b>Week 19</b>	Unit 10
<b>Week 20</b>	Unit 10
<b>Week 21</b>	Unit 10
<b>Week 22</b>	Unit 11
<b>Week 23</b>	Unit 11
<b>Week 24</b>	Unit 11
<b>Week 25</b>	Unit 11
<b>Week 26</b>	Unit 11
<b>Week 27</b>	Unit 12
<b>Week 28</b>	Unit 12
<b>Week 29</b>	Review
<b>Week 30</b>	Final Exam