



Saskatchewan Organization for Heritage Languages MINI-LANGUAGE LESSONS PROGRAM 2020-21 Classroom Instructor Guidelines & Expectations

ATTENDANCE

We encourage you to be with the Heritage Language Instructor at **all times during the virtual presentation**. Also, despite the fact the Heritage Language Instructor is taking over lessons for the time they are there virtually, the students are still your responsibility. You know your students better than anyone else and you are key in maintaining order of the classroom.

ACTIVITIES

To guarantee all activities are appropriate for your classroom all Heritage Language Instructors are required to present activity proposals to you **before** scheduled lesson dates. This will also help reduce the amount of surprises you receive on lesson days.

Class instruction will not only include basic language skills, but also contain components of the culture of the language. i.e.: German/Germany, Cree/First Nations, Urdu/Pakistan or India.

As head of the classroom, you are strongly encouraged to participate in the activities. This will be an excellent learning opportunity for you and will make the experience all the more significant for the students as you learn together.

LESSON SUMMARIES

For every lesson taught, the Heritage Language Instructor must complete a lesson summary form and have it signed by you at the end of the lesson.

Please provide a few comments under the “Classroom Instructor’s Comments” section. i.e.: what did you find engaging about the lesson, and what suggestions do you have to improve the lesson in the future? These comments are what the Heritage Language Instructors use to progress in their teaching, and what the SOHL office uses to evaluate the program and specific Heritage Language Instructor.

Remember, our Heritage Language Instructors are knowledgeable **volunteers**. In most instances they are not trained educational professionals. The Lesson Summaries are to assist with the delivery of the virtual language/cultural instruction. **They are not detailed Lesson Plans.**

If you have any questions or are experiencing any difficulties, please contact Program Coordinator by phone at 306-780-9478, or by email at sohlcoordinator@sasktel.net.