

## MOUNT DOUGLAS SECONDARY STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM

We have a reciprocal arrangement with our sister school in France, Lycee Louis Pasteur in Avignon, that allows students to study at the other school for a period ranging from one month to an entire semester.

Avignon is located in southern France, in Provence, about one and a half hours north of Marseilles on the Rhone River. The school is a private school located within the city walls of this ancient enchanting town.

Students interested in doing a long term stay should have a good basic understanding of French and be willing to speak some words out loud! Students should take French courses prior to embarking on their trip. Maturity is an important asset for this program as students will be away from their families for an extended period of time.

Grade 9 and 10 students may do a one-month exchange while longer 3 month or entire semester exchanges are possible for students in grades 11 or 12. There are limited numbers of places each year so students are encouraged to apply soon in order to ensure acceptance into the program. Careful planning is essential in order to take required academic courses in the right semester and to make financial plans and savings for the trip.

Costs for the trip are the flight costs, extra medical insurance, some local transport costs and a monthly room and board charge to the hosting family of 480 Euros per month or 420 Euro without lunch during the school week. Meals at the school cafeteria are 6 Euro each. There is also a 150€ refundable book deposit. Students will also require varying amounts of spending money. Students going for longer than 3 months must get a student Visa from the French consulate in Vancouver,

More information, responses to questions and application forms are available from Amelita Kucher at Mount Douglas Secondary School in room 219 or through email at [agkucher@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:agkucher@sd61.bc.ca)

### Host Families Needed

We are currently looking for families to host students coming from France this year. We need host families for a month around October 2015. Host families are paid \$700 per month for room and board. More information and applications are available from Amelita Kucher at Mount Douglas Secondary School in room 219 or through email at [agkucher@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:agkucher@sd61.bc.ca)