

Spanish Syllabus

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Planning: 1st Block: 8:00 – 9:30

Course Overview

Students will gain a greater knowledge of the Spanish Language and the culture of the Spanish-speaking world. Skills such as speaking, reading, listening, and writing related to learning a new language should also improve.

Students should expect:

- Classwork assignments on a daily basis
- Group and individual discussions, writing assignments, conversations, etc.
- Quizzes over material covered during the week
- Writing/Listening/Speaking tests after the completion of each chapter
- Small projects

Supplies

All students are expected to bring the following to class each day:

- Chromebook
- Writing utensils
- 3-ring binder (1”) with loose-leaf paper OR a spiral-bound notebook
- Completed homework when assigned
- A Spanish-English dictionary is recommended for homework assignments and personal use. (Dictionaries are available during class. A dictionary may be borrowed to complete extra credit assignments if needed. The lending of dictionaries from the room will be at the discretion of the teacher.)

If any other supplies may be needed the students will be given advanced notice, or the teacher will provide the supplies.

Grades/Assessment (The grading scale can be found in the student handbook.)

- Homework/class work: 15%
- Quizzes: 25%
- Projects: 30% (This may include piñatas, family tree, small research projects, notebook grades, warm-ups, etc.)
- Tests: 30%

1. **Classwork:** Classwork is expected to be completed in class and will be taken up for a grade. All work will be graded based on accuracy. If the assignment is not done at all, a zero will be given for the assignment. **Late homework/classwork will not be accepted and you will receive a zero for that assignment. All homework is to be completed on the specified date.** Classwork counts for 15% of the final average.

2. **Quizzes and Tests:** Quizzes and tests will be administered after the material has been presented and students have been given the opportunity to practice the material. Advance notice will be given before a quiz or test. All tests and quizzes should be completed in pencil to receive credit. **Quizzes count for 25% of the final average. Tests count for 30% of the final average.**
3. **Small projects:** Small projects may be assigned. These projects may include a small research paper, a craft project related to the culture, an oral presentation, etc. Students will be given advance notice and instructions when the project is assigned. **Small projects count for 30% of the final average.**
4. **Extra credit:** If a student desires extra credit, he or she may ask for an extra credit assignment. **However, he or she must have all work completed and not owe any make up work, including tests or quizzes.** All extra credit points will be placed towards quiz grades.
5. **Make up work:** *All students are responsible for making up any worked missed within 5 days upon returning to school. This includes tests and quizzes. **In the event that the work is not made up within a 5 day period, the student will receive a zero for any missing assignments.** If there are extenuating circumstances, such as a lengthy hospitalization, special arrangements may be made at the discretion of the teacher.*

Rules and Expectations:

1. No bullying, name-calling, teasing, fighting, or harming another student. Violating this rule will result in being sent to the office immediately.
2. Classwork is to be completed in class. Late classwork will not be accepted and you will receive a zero for the assignment.
3. Come to class prepared. This includes pencils, textbooks, notebooks, or any item specified by the teacher.
4. **CELL PHONES or any other electronic devices are prohibited while in class, this includes electronic Spanish/English dictionaries.** Cell phones are to be silenced and placed in the designated cell phone collection area during instruction, unless there is a use for these devices during the lesson. In the event these items are being used without permission or inappropriately, they will be confiscated and disciplinary action will be taken by the office.
5. Come to class on time. **Be seated by the time the tardy bell rings** and stay seated. If you are not in the classroom by the tardy bell, you will be considered tardy.

6. If you need to speak, have a question, or need to get out of your seat for any reason, please raise your hand. Otherwise you are to remain quiet and in your seat.
7. **NO FOOD/DRINK WHILE IN CLASS!!!** If there is a medical reason for needing food or drink during class, please provide documentation. Bottled water is permissible.
8. **NO CHEATING!!!** If a student is caught cheating on any assignment, he or she will receive a 0 for the assignment and immediately be sent to the office for disciplinary action. **This includes the use of Google Translate, or any other online translating software/tools.**
9. All other school rules and policies found in the student handbook apply while in class.

Please sign the following section:

I have read and agree to the rules outlined in this syllabus.



Student signature: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____