

Bienvenidos

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La Clase de Español

¡Bienvenidos! Spanish is your ticket to the world. That's right... the WORLD. The ability to communicate in a foreign language is a fabulous thing! When you speak a different language, you can travel to places you have only read about, the globe becomes your job market, and you can communicate with people whose lives are completely different from yours! Together, we will journey through lots of vocabulary and grammar topics, take a rest stop at interesting cultural topics, as well as SPEAK, READ, LISTEN to and WRITE lots of Spanish! In between, I hope you learn a little bit about life along the way !

Course Outline:

This course is an introduction to the Spanish language. It is taught through the skills of listening, reading, writing, and speaking. Students will learn to understand the Spanish language as it is spoken at a basic level and to communicate with simple verbal or written responses. Spanish sounds will be learned through imitation. Basic grammar and sentence structure will be taught in basic, everyday vocabulary. Basic cultural themes of the Spanish-speaking world will be introduced and interspersed through the course.

This course prepares students for the year-long 8th grade high school level course. Students will have the opportunity to earn credit for high school Spanish I by taking both the 7th and 8th grade Spanish class and passing the Exit Exam.

Students must have a semester grade of a 90% or higher in order to qualify for 8th grade Spanish!



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It is the responsibility of the **student** to obtain notes and assignments missed during an absence. In case of an absence, students should access homework and class work information through the **DDMS Spanish** website (It is under the Fine Arts tab on the DDMS website). Any work that is not attached to the website will be distributed upon return.



EL BAÑO:

You will get 4 bathroom passes for the semester. Use them wisely and don't lose them! If you are having an emergency, you may leave the room without giving a pass

Bring your A game!!

EVERY CLASS:

⇒ SPEAK SPANISH!

Be ready to speak in Spanish the second you walk through the door!

⇒ BE EXCITED TO BE IN SPANISH CLASS!

I know that I am excited to have you!

⇒ BE AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT AND A GOOD CITIZEN!

Participate daily and wholeheartedly.

Please respect everyone at all times. No put-downs of any kind will be tolerated .

Come to class prepared and on time. All school rules will be enforced. There is NO gum chewing in this classroom!!

⇒ TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR LEARNING!

Let me know if you don't understand something. I am always here for extra help. Remember to utilize SMART Block too!

Make sure to review EVERY night, even if there is not specific homework.

HOLA AMIGO



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Grades:

Minor Assessment (Mastery Checks/ Quizzes/ Classwork):

Minor assessments include quizzes, class work and other mastery checks. Students can expect two to four minor assessment each week.

Major Assessments:

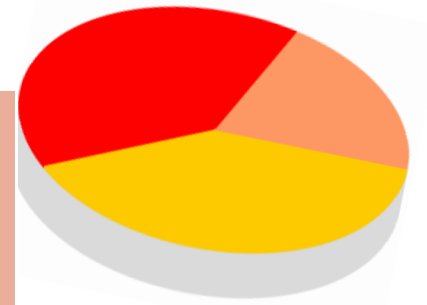
Major assessments include tests, projects and other cumulative assignments. Students can expect at least two to three major assessments each quarter.

Skills Assessments (Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening):

Students will be assessed periodically on their ability to understand and present information in Spanish. These assessments may or may not be announced.

Homework:

Practice is critical in the mastery of Spanish and students should expect to have 20 minutes of homework nightly. Although homework is not calculated into the overall grade, it will be checked daily.



Quiz Retakes:

Retakes will be offered for students that did not earn at least an 80% originally. Quiz corrections and 20 minutes of study time will have to be logged before a retake will be given. Retakes will be done in SMART Block and need to be completed before taking the unit test. ** If you have any missing homework/ practice assignments, you **will not** be eligible to retake.

Materials Needed:

- ◆ Binder with 5 tabs
- ◆ Loose leaf, pencil, red pen and a device



YOU'RE INVITED:

- to come and feel safe and comfortable in our classroom and to make it feel safe and comfortable for others.
- to show me that you are ready to learn through appropriate behavior, a smile, or a helpful attitude.
- to share an appropriate sense of humor with me.
- to be helpful, considerate, and do your best with your behavior and academics. There is little doubt in my mind that you will pass my class if you try your best!
- to make good decisions and to make choices and decisions wisely. Since our lives and futures depend on the choices that we make today, let's make good decisions together!



Policy on the use of translation aids

Rationale: Students are expected to communicate in Spanish without the use of translating aids.

The following are considered translating aids:

- Computer websites/ programs
- Translators/ excessive use of a dictionary
- Persons who speak Spanish (native speakers)



The use of any of the above to complete assignments given to students defeats the goals outlined in the Wake County Public School Systems Spanish Benchmarks.

Students who violate the intent of the goals described above will receive a "0" for the assignment. In addition, the incident may be reported to an administrator on a discipline referral citing insubordination and cheating.

The authenticity of a student's work may be challenged when it demonstrates one or more of the following:

- Vocabulary beyond the scope of what has been taught
- Use of verb tenses beyond the scope of what has been taught
- Erroneous word order
- Other indicators of fraudulent work



Please be proud of your own, true work! I am always here to help you too!