

CLASS REQUIREMENTS
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You should bring all materials and a pen/pencil to class every day, unless otherwise instructed. All students are required to have the following:

- a folder (the color of your class)
- a notebook
- a composition notebook
- all handouts/packets from class (kept in folder)

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

*Don't be late!!! This means you should be in your seat when the bell rings and ready for the start of class. When you arrive late without a note from another teacher, you must sign in. For every unexcused late, you will lose 2 points on that day's/week's participation. If lateness becomes an issue, your parents will be notified and you may have detention after school.

*BRING ALL MATERIALS TO CLASS, EVERYDAY!!! No one will be allowed to go to their locker once class has started. You must bring your books, notebook, pens/pencils and folders to every class period. If you are not prepared for class your participation grade will be affected. If this becomes an issue, you may have detention after school.

*NO GUM!!! Chewing gum is forbidden. It makes learning and speaking a foreign language more difficult. If you are chewing gum your participation grade will be affected. If this becomes an issue, you may have detention after school.

*If you are asked to leave the class at any time, do so politely, report to the main office and later we will discuss why you were sent out.

HOMEWORK

You will have homework almost every night. Homework will help you master the material if done correctly. As you will see, homework will strongly affect your grade in this course so be sure to complete it as directed.

*All assignments are to be done NEATLY in your notebook. It will be collected almost every day.

*I will check your homework for completeness each class period we meet.

*If you are absent, it is your responsibility to find out what you have missed and to make it up with me within one day. You may see me before, after or outside of class to get any missed assignments. You can also ask a classmate. If not made up within one day, you will receive a 0 for the assignment.

*Homework cannot be made up. It is either done by the beginning of class or it is incomplete and you will not receive credit. If you forget your notebook in your locker... you are unprepared and your homework is not in class. You will not receive credit.

*A complete homework assignment is done fully. Even if you do not know an answer to a particular activity - you must do your best and try to give a credible answer.

*A complete homework assignment will receive a check.

*An incomplete assignment will not receive credit.

*If you are diligent with your homework you will not only do well in my class but you will also be rewarded at the end of the quarter.

All homework completed = 3 points added to your final quarter grade

1 missed assignment = 2 points added

2 missed assignments = 1 point added

3 missed assignments = NO points added

4 missed assignments = -1 point from the final quarter grade
5 missed assignments = -2 points from the final
6 missed assignments = -3 points from the final
This continues in the negative direction if you continue to miss assignments

DICTIONARY

Throughout the year you will build your own Spanish dictionary (1/2 composition notebook). Each chapter you will receive the vocabulary words to be defined. Dictionaries will be homework assignments, but will also count as a grade. All lists should be labeled and words should be numbered and written in the same order as they appear on the list provided. You can define the word any way you would like, but you may NOT use English. Use synonyms, antonyms, definitions, examples (names are ok), drawings, or use the word in a sentence. The better you define the word, the more it will help you when you use your dictionary for other assignments.

For example:

1. contento = feliz, ≠triste, J (any of these are acceptable)
2. el elefante = Dumbo, drawing, un animal gris con una nariz muy larga
3. trabajar = Mi mamá trabaja para MEDport. (Even though this sentence will not help someone that doesn't know where your mom works, you will understand it.)

PARTICIPATION

Participation grades will be given at least once per week. This grade will reflect the students' performance in the following areas:

- *listening attentively during class and following directions
- *active participation in group/pair work and working for the entire allotted time for given activities
- *eagerness and ability to contribute to class
- *using only Spanish for communication with both the teacher and other students
- *Bringing all of the required materials to class

QUIZZES AND TESTS (Pruebas)

*All assessments will be announced at the start of a new chapter. A chapter schedule will be posted along with dates and descriptions of each assessment.

*You may never talk or look around during a test or quiz. Such behavior will result in an automatic zero.

*After an absence, you must make up a test or quiz as soon as possible, preferably on the day you return. Please speak with me directly to work out a good time for you to make it up.

*For any absence, you have five class days to make up work. After those days, the grade will become a zero which cannot be made up.

GRADING

Participation is worth =	10 Points/Assessment
Homework =	Explained previously
Dictionary =	15-50 Points
Pruebas (quizzes/tests) =	20-100 Points (the 4 skills, grammar, vocab)

The following will be assessed both informally to monitor progress and formally for a grade, each chapter:

- *Students' ability to speak with fluency, read for comprehension, write with fluency, and listen for comprehension
- *Students' ability to retain and use correct and appropriate grammar and vocabulary

EXTRA HELP

I am available for extra help and I will be happy to meet with you! Please feel free to contact me at any time to make an appointment. I am here to help you and I am more than willing to accommodate the busy schedules I know you keep. Your parents should also feel free to contact me. I am always available to discuss your progress in my class. My office hours are after school on Wednesdays in Room 229.