

Spanish 373, Spanish 3 honors, 2013-2014

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¡Bienvenidos a la clase de español!

Espero que aprendan mucho, que disfruten de la clase y que trabajen mucho. En esta clase, hablaremos en español. La siguiente información está escrita en inglés para que puedan compartirla con sus padres.

What does it mean “to succeed” in this course?

Success involves the following:

1. a sustained improvement in all four language skills: reading, speaking, listening, and writing
2. a mastery of the intermediate structure of Spanish which will allow you to express yourself with precision and clarity
3. an enhanced vocabulary with an increased inventory of idiomatic expressions
4. an appreciation of the richness of Hispanic literature and culture

What will help you succeed?

1. excellent attendance
2. regular independent study
 - a. Complete the homework carefully and completely.
 - b. Write out the answers to exercises.
 - c. When a reading assignment is given, come to class prepared to discuss the assigned pages. Study and learn new vocabulary.
3. Participation in class

In class we will often work in groups or pairs. That way, you will have more opportunities to speak. Your participation will affect your final grade!
4. Organize your work. I suggest a three-ring binder or a sturdy folder.

Information

1. I only accept **three** late homework assignments per term. You have **one week** to hand in these assignments. Many assignments will be checked and corrected in class. Some assignments will be collected and graded – be prepared to hand in every assignment. After an excused absence, you will be expected to pass in missed work **within one week**.

2. Missed quizzes and tests must be made up promptly during J block in 6109.
3. The attendance policy for the school will be enforced in this class. Three tardies equals one cut. Three cuts results in an “N” for the term.
4. Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and will automatically result in a zero and a call home.
5. There must be an atmosphere of respect in our classroom in order for everyone to feel comfortable and able to learn.
6. J block : Wednesdays and Thursdays in room 6109
7. **Cell phones and all other devices must be turned off and put away.** All devices that are not put away will be stored in a container at the front of the classroom for the duration of the class.
8. No food or drinks other than water are allowed in the classroom.

Grade Calculation

- 45% Tests, major compositions, major projects
- 35% Quizzes, mini-presentations, short compositions
- 10% Homework
- 10% Class Participation

¡Buena Suerte! ¡Espero que gocen de la clase!