

WEDDINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Department of World Languages

Course Syllabus

Course Name: Spanish I & II
Teacher: Maestra Rodriguez
Email: aracelis.rodriquez@upcs.k12.nc.us

Spanish I is an introduction to the study of a second language through the four skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Culture, geography and grammar will be integrated into the course. I am a fan of Technology and how it assists in learning a Foreign language. We will be using various apps and programs.

Materials

- ☐ Chromebooks (charged)
- ☐ Headphones (This is needed at all times)
- ☐ Notebook (if you prefer to take notes this way)
- ☐ Folder (for handouts)

Cell Phones

NO Cell phones **Cell Phones**

Cell phones will not be tolerated in the classroom. Students will be asked to keep their phones in their book bags during class. If they cannot follow this rule, I will collect phones at the beginning of class and return them at the end. Students who do not follow this procedure, will lose participation points. If your student has an emergency, they may contact you with the phone in the front office (and vice-versa).

- Be an active participator
- Hand in work ON time!

Plagiarism

At times it can be frustrating to complete a writing assignment. We must learn to do the research and use what one has learned to complete what has been assigned. Copying passages verbatim and the use of computer translators is a form of dishonesty and plagiarism. You are encouraged to use bilingual dictionaries to look up words and phrases not a paragraph. You may also use Word Reference. Make sure you pick the appropriate form of speech (verb, noun) and the appropriate translation. Copying passages verbatim and will result in a zero.

Honor Code

For all assignments that are done at home, you are still on the Honor Code. As stated above, you may never use Google Translate. You must do your own work. If I receive two identical assignments, both students will receive zeroes (unless it is a partner activity).

Due Dates

All assignments will include a due date.

Assignments will be closed. **Please do not ask to reopen them.** By the time they are closed, they have been beyond late so you won't get credit for them.

Late Work

- Classwork is due at the end of the class.
 - Late work will be accepted up to **2** days of its due date.
- (1) Everyday work is handed in later than the assigned date, **10pts** will be taken off.

Tests/Quizzes

We will use various methods for tests and quizzes this year.

- Short quiz/test will be announced.
- Quizzes and tests will be completed through Google or Canvas.

Participation

Participation is a grade. You are expected to participate either in person or virtually. If you are asked to participate, you may type the answer. If you do not respond, you will lose 5 pts for the day. For those of you who volunteer often, you will receive extra points.

Live Video Lessons (Microsoft Teams)

- All students are expected to watch the live lessons during their “off-days”.
- Students should be logged in to the video stream by the time class starts (unless otherwise stated).
- Students are expected to be engaged in the lesson.
 - They can ask/answer questions.
 - I will keep them engaged by asking them questions too (not just the “in-person” students).
 - They will be given the opportunity to interact with each other while virtual.
- Students must stay logged in until they are dismissed.
 - Some days they will be dismissed early to complete online work, other days they will be required to stay for the entire of the class period.

Virtual Etiquette

While virtual, students are expected to follow general “virtual etiquette guidelines”...

- Cameras may be on, microphones muted – unless they are asked to speak
- No distracting backgrounds – they may choose a “fun background” but it must remain the same throughout the lesson
- Be prepared with your notes/homework/notebook/etc.
- If you have a question, you may type it into the “chat box”.

How to Turn in Assignments (Printing)

All assignments will be turned in via Canvas (unless otherwise noted) under the Assignments Tab.

- If it is a written assignment, you may...
 - Print off the document, hand write your answers then scan/e-mail it you yourself then upload it to Canvas
 - Make a copy of the assignment in your Google Drive (or in Word), type in your answers, upload the assignment to Canvas
- If you are asked to make a recording, you will be using Flipgrid and or Canvas.
 - ★ Do not work more than 1 day ahead in Canvas! This will not help you.

Grading Categories

Classwork / Homework	20%
Quizzes (announced and unannounced)	30%
Tests / Projects	40%
Participation	10%
Practices <i>(you are expected to complete these in order to understand and better your grade)</i>	✓ ✗
Late work	-10pts everyday

*****No extra credit work is given*****

You will have the opportunity to earn extra points by participating.

How to receive points

- volunteering to answer a question in class, read in class, present partner conversation, etc.
- asking a RELEVANT, THOUGHTFUL question in class.
- winning review games – QuizletLive, Kahoot, etc.
- being on task
- speaking in Spanish during group work