



¡Bienvenidos a la clase de español! Welcome to Spanish Class!



Description of the Class

Spanish A is a beginner class stressing basic language skills and acquisition. Students will be expected to participate and practice. One method we will be using is called Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling, TPRS®. Be prepared to listen, read, write, speak, sing, dance, and act in Spanish to learn the language effectively! In addition, we will be learning about other cultures that speak Spanish.

Classroom Rules

- 1) Be ready to begin when the tardy bell rings.
- 2) Bring pen, pencil, and notebook every day.
- 3) No put downs, name calling, swearing or hate speech.
- 4) Engage in Saludos y Salidas (see below)
- 5) No electronic devices unless I permit them.
- 6) Be respectful in the classroom.
- 7) Follow directions.

Your Role during Class is to LISTEN

- L**ook me in the eyes
Involve yourself
Show me when you get it and when you don't
Tune back in if you tune out
Español only
No talking over others

Class Materials

Every day you need to bring the following:

- 1) A 3-ring binder notebook with paper
- 2) Pencil and a colored pen
- 3) Other supplies may be needed and will be announced.

Saludos and Salidas

You will greet each class in Spanish with a Saludo (bell assignment), this will review or preview a lesson. Each class session will end with a Salida (exit strategy), this will assess what you gained from each lesson. It is your responsibility to engage in both; points will be assigned for these tasks.

Absences and Tardies

You are responsible for the notes, vocabulary, work, quizzes and tests that you miss when you are gone. ALSO, you will need to write a 50-word story in Spanish for each day that you are absent. The absence stories need to be **handwritten** and they are due by the end of the quarter. You will not be able to make up work for unverified absences or tardies. A 50-word story is required regardless of reason (school-related, illness, etc.)

Leaving class and Bathroom use

Sign in and out by the door every time you leave the classroom for any reason. Students must remain in class the first and last 10 minutes of each class. Please use the restroom during passing time before you come to class. You may use the bathroom in emergencies only.

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The Quarter Grade Breakdown is a running total of:

- Listening
- Reading
- Writing
- Speaking
- Culture
- Citizenship*

*NOTE: Citizenship grade includes attendance, participation, practice and homework.

This is a semester long course, but since we meet every-other day, we only have one quarter together. Your language acquisition, knowledge and fluency will depend on how much you practice in and out of class.