

Class: _____

Name: _____



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Bienvenidos a Español 2

The Providence Spanish team would like to welcome you to the new school year. Learning a foreign language opens up new horizons for students. It is also a valuable asset for students' future business lives in the ever more global economy of the twenty-first century.

Spanish is the foundation for your child to be bilingual in the fourth most commonly used language in the world. It is a beautiful language, it is practical and it is attainable.

Classes will be conducted 90% of the time in the target language (Spanish). We want to encourage students to be positive, to practice, engage and explore this beautiful language with us.

I. Participation

Participation includes completing homework every day and coming to class prepared with all materials. Students should ask questions and volunteer to answer questions in class and have a positive attitude. It is important that students attempt to use the language as much as possible within the confines of their limited vocabulary. Participation is a formal grade and will be assessed at various points during the quarter. Formal grades do count as 70% of your grade!

2. Homework and Class Work

It is **EXTREMELY** important to reinforce and practice concepts learned in class in order to retain language. Homework will be assigned every night and posted on Google Classroom. **LATE HOMEWORK WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** In the case of absences, homework is due within the next five school days. **HOMEWORK SHOULD BE NEAT, CAREFUL, CLEARLY LEGIBLE AND WITH APPROPRIATE PUNCTUATION AND CAPITALIZATION.**

This class also makes use of the Google Classroom platform. Students should all make sure to access the Google course on the first day of class. The class code will be provided. Parents are also welcome to join Classroom to keep informed about our day-to-day activities, homework and quizzes/tests.

QUIZZES/TESTS: Students will be quizzed daily or every other day on concepts and vocabulary presented and practiced in class. If a student misses a quiz, they will be required to schedule a makeup within 5 days. Quiz makeups are to be taken **IMMEDIATELY** after school or during regularly scheduled tutoring hours. No quiz makeups can be completed on Wednesdays due to staff meetings. Quizzes will begin no later than 2:30pm. If a student does not make up or schedule a makeup quiz within five days, the grade will remain a zero.

3. Essays and Recordings

In Spanish 2, students will write short "essays" in class, using prompts and vocabulary pertinent to the chapter they are currently studying in the textbook. This will give students practice in using the language in an original and creative form.

Students will be asked to make voice recordings in class using their cell phones or via websites with their Chromebooks. Electronic devices are only to be used when the teacher has instructed students to use them. Please see Phone Policy in the Student Handbook and in student agenda provided.

Students will also have periodic notebook checks. This will help with organization and make sure that students have the information they need at hand.

4. Grading

Students' letter grades are calculated on the ten-point grade scale:

90% – 100%	A
80% – 89%	B
70% – 79%	C
60% – 69%	D
< 60	F

Formal and informal assessments are weighted:

Formal assessments:	70%
Informal assessments:	30%

There will be mid-unit, unit, and mid-term tests as well as a final exam. This final exam will count as 20% of the TOTAL grade for the year and includes an oral assessment. The midterm test will be 20% of the first semester grade.

When a quiz or test has been announced, the student is responsible for making arrangements for a makeup within five school days of his/her return to class. **We do not offer retakes of any quizzes or tests. Quizzes are to be made up immediately after school. No quizzes will be given on Wednesdays or after 2:30pm.** Quizzes and tests that are not made up within or scheduled within five days will remain a zero.

5. Extra Credit

In our classes, there will be **no written extra credit** nor will there be any projects given for that purpose. Extra credit opportunities involve participation in cultural activities within the community and within the Spanish Club that provide added insight and cultural awareness of the language and its people. Extra credit will replace a missed homework or 10 percentage points to a daily quiz. Bonus points may be possible on tests and quizzes.

6. Tutoring

Mon and Thurs 2:15-3:15: Sra. Uzeta – Room 110
 Tues 6:25-6:55: Sra. Iguina – Room 108
 Friday 6:25-6:55: Sra. Lee – Room 109
 Tues 2:30-3:00: Sra. Monroy – Room 107

We work together in order to be able to provide your child with consistent tutoring to what they are learning. The students will sign a sheet in the teacher's class where they receive the tutoring.

If you need additional information you can reach our Spanish team at our emails listed below:

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deborah1.monroy@cms.k12.nc.us
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7. Materials

All students will need the following materials which should be **brought to every class**:

Earbuds (no microphone necessary)

One 1.5" binder

5 dividers

Ruled paper

Red pen

Pencil

Colored pencils

Sheet protectors (minimum 15)

Useful:

White-out-tape

Student scissors

Small stapler & staples

REQUESTED DONATIONS (not paid for by CMS):

Kleenex

Paper Towels

8. National Spanish Exam Fee

\$6.00 - due within first 10 days of school. Online payments are preferred. If there are any issues with making payments online students will speak directly with the teacher.

We are looking forward to an exciting year.

iAdelante!

Please sign and return to teacher

Name of student (printed): _____ **Class:** _____

We have read the prospectus and are aware of the structure and requirements of Spanish 2.

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Student signature: _____ Date: _____