

Spanish 1

Course Syllabus
2019-2020

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Descripción del curso (Course Description)

This first-year course introduces reading, writing, speaking and listening practice. Numerous aspects of Hispanic culture and history are also incorporated into the course. Oral communication is emphasized and practiced. Try to absorb the language and take risks. Be prepared to have fun. *Practice makes progress!* You will find that learning a language is much more than just words. The textbook used for this course is *Así Se Dice*. Students will be expected to use various online resources in addition to print materials.

Materiales (Materials):

- three-ring binder with your workbook and class materials
- textbook, *Así se Dice 1*
- paper for note-taking and assignments
- pens/pencils
- A good attitude!

Expectativas (Expectations):

Estudiantes (Students):

- Be in class and seated when the bell rings.
- **Be prepared and be on task.**
- Attendance is VERY important.
- **Participate actively:** self-starter, raise hand, listen to peers and teacher. A large part of learning a foreign language is conversing in the language.
- Keep all work for each qtr. neatly organized in your notebook.
- **Treat the instructor, other students and yourself respectfully (this includes school property). Students should NEVER behave in a way that disrupts the class by preventing the teacher from teaching or the other students from learning. Behavior policies will be strictly enforced.**
- **Leave all electronic devices in your backpack or at home.**
- Use the bathroom only when necessary. **Class time is important!**
- Leave food, hairbrushes, make-up and perfume outside of class.
- *Please see me if you have difficulty accessing online Spanish resources at home.*
- **Head all assignments with your NAME, DATE, and CLASS PERIOD.**
- Dismissal is by the teacher **NOT** the clock.

Maestra (teacher):

- I will teach you using the best practices available to me, treat you in a professional manner, use my creativity to create opportunities for learning, create a positive environment for learning, be respectful and polite, and be available for additional help by appointment.
- You can expect that I will return assignments, projects, and assessments to you in a timely manner and your grades will be updated once per week at minimum on Qmlativ.
- I will be available for additional help outside of school on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:00pm-2:45pm.

Procedimientos de la clase de español (Spanish Classroom Procedures):

- **Celulares y electrónicos (Cell Phones and electronics devices)** - Per school policy all mobile electronic devices and accessories are to be turned off, put away, and kept away during class time. The violation of this policy may result in the confiscation of the device and/or detention. *If a parent, relative, or legal guardian has an emergency and needs to get in touch with you, please have him or her call the school office.* An administrator will immediately send a pass for you. This is the fastest and most efficient way to handle emergencies that may occur.
- **Tardanzas (Tardy)** - You will be assigned detention upon your 3rd tardy and will continue to receive detention for each tardy thereafter.
- **Asistencia (Attendance)** - Attendance to school is critical for success in all classes. Two absences per month, excused or not, is considered excessive absenteeism. Your participation in this class cannot be replaced – you are needed by your classmates. *Please note the following about attendance at Kamiak High School:*
 - **Truancy (skipping)** is a choice that will remove the opportunity to complete missed work.
 - **Excused absences or pre-arranged unexcused absences** will allow for the completion of missed work. Participation points for excused and pre-arranged unexcused absences cannot always be made up.
 - It is the **student's responsibility** to contact the teacher when absent and complete all the missing work.
 - You have one day for each absence to get your make up work submitted for credit.
 - Tests and quizzes shall be made up after school within one week upon your return to school.
- **Participación (Participation)** - *What you do in class can add to or take away from your grade.* You earn points by offering responses to questions, speaking lots of Spanish to me and your peers, volunteering for activities, singing songs, etc.
 - Because the nature of this class is participatory and a lot of practice occurs during the class period, it is possible that some activities, including participation points, will not be able to be made up, even if you have an excused absence. If you are absent, be sure to participate more than usual upon your return to earn participation points and make up for any deficit.
- **Evaluaciones (Assessments)** - You will have evaluations for each chapter during the school year. These may be in the form of exams, written pieces, presentations, and/or projects. **Per the language department, retakes are not permitted.**
 - *Any project or participation sheet turned in late will receive a 10% penalty for each day late. Projects will not be accepted after 5 days past the due date.*
- **Asignaciones (Homework)** - Homework is graded for *completion*. This means that you come to class with your homework DONE. We will take time during class to review the homework and you may ask questions about the assignment. During this time, follow along as I go over the homework, and make corrections on your paper. When you are not assigned a homework assignment to complete at home on paper or online, then your homework is to review your notes, verbs and/or vocabulary at home for 10-15 minutes. Online homework is due by 7:30am the next morning, anything completed after will be considered late.
 - **Late homework assignments will not be accepted** (Late is defined as anything turned in after I have collected the work from each row and/or is not completed before coming to class.) You will receive **one late pass per quarter** to use at a time of your choice. This is a one homework late pass. This pass will not count towards online homework and/or special projects.

- **Honestidad académica (Academic dishonesty)** - Copying work, sharing assignments, submitting work from the Internet - Students who participate in such activity as the copier OR the provider will receive a zero, an administration referral and it will go on your records. See your handbook for more details.
- **Google Classroom** - Each group will have access to a Google Classroom created for their class period. There I'll post Meta (Learning Target), Calentamiento (Warm Up), reminders, homework, class presentations, and any other resource or material that can help my students succeed in class. Students are responsible to check it on a daily basis.
- **Notas (Grading)** – Achievement will be measured in the following areas:
 - Assessments (tests, quizzes, projects, presentations) 60%
 - Participation (participation sheet, speaking in class, special activities or work) 25%
 - Homework 15%

<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>GPA</u>
A	94.0-100	4.0
A-	90.0-93.9	3.7
B+	87.0-89.9	3.3
B	84.0-86.9	3.0
B-	80.0-83.9	2.7
C+	77.0-79.9	2.3
C	74.0-76.9	2.0
C-	70.0-73.9	1.7
D+	67.0-69.9	1.3
D	60.0-66.9	1.0
F	0.00-59.9	0.0



Please sign, cut and return to Sra. Santiago by September 13, 2019.

Your syllabus must be kept in your notebook all year.

I understand the expectations of this syllabus and what is necessary to pass the Spanish 1 class. Above all I need to complete homework on time, participate, study and do my OWN work. I realize that extra credit will not be given to raise my grade if I fail to do this.

X _____

Student **print** name

X _____

Student signature

I have read the syllabus with my student and understand the expectations needed for s/he to pass Spanish class. I also understand that extra credit will not be given to raise the student's grade and plagiarism of any kinds is not acceptable. **PLEASE** make sure your correct email is on file with the school

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Parent/guardian