

ESPAÑOL 1

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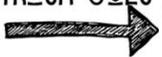
COURSE OVERVIEW

Welcome to Spanish 1! This course is designed to lay a strong foundation in Spanish, preparing students for advanced Spanish classes, including AP Spanish. Throughout the year, students will develop essential language skills—listening, speaking, reading, and writing—through various interactive and immersive activities. This course is mainly in Spanish. Immersion is the most effective way to learn a second language. It's normal to feel frustrated at first, but trust the process! This comprehensive approach ensures that students not only meet but exceed the expectations set for Spanish 1, setting them on a path to excel in advanced Spanish courses and achieve fluency in the language.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

- COMPOSITION NOTEBOOK 
- GLUE STICKS 
- COLORED PENCILS 
- HIGHLIGHTERS 
- PENCILS/PENS 
- SCHOOL-ISSUED CHROMEBOOK 
- EARPHONES 

CLASS RULES

- 1 BE ON-TIME, ON-TASK, & PREPARED TO LEARN **EVERYDAY**
- 2 KEEP ALL ELECTRONICS **PUT AWAY!**
- 3 BE RESPONSIBLE *for your own learning*
- 4 RESPECT *the teacher
the classroom
other students*
- 5 TRASH GOES IN THE  **trashcan**

WHAT'S THE GOAL?



POLICIES & PROCEDURES

(30%)
Daily Work, Cuaderno, Language Lab, Practice Quizzes

STANDARDS-BASED GRADING

GRADING

(70%)
Quizzes/Tests, Projects, Essays

A	IL	I can handle basic communicative tasks in Spanish, create with the language, ask and answer simple questions, and participate in simple conversations on familiar topics.
B	NH	I can manage short social interactions in Spanish using phrases and sentences, ask and answer questions, and express personal meaning by recombining learned phrases.
C	NM	I can communicate using isolated words and memorized phrases in Spanish, understand and produce simple messages, and ask and respond to basic questions.
D	NL	I can use a few isolated words and memorized phrases in Spanish, recognize and use some basic vocabulary, and respond to simple questions with one-word answers.
F	BS	I am unable to produce Spanish, do not meet basic proficiency standards, and cannot participate in basic communicative tasks or produce meaningful language.

CLASS CALENDAR

Unidad 1: ¡Mucho gusto!	<i>Nice to meet you!</i>	Semanas 1-3
Unidad 2: ¿Quién soy yo?	<i>Who am I!</i>	Semanas 4-6
Unidad 3: ¿Qué te gusta hacer?	<i>What do you like to do?</i>	Semanas 7-9
Unidad 4: Mi vida escolar	<i>My school life</i>	Semanas 10-12
Unidad 5: Te presento a mi familia	<i>Let me introduce my family</i>	Semanas 13-15
Unit 6: Pasar tiempo con amigos	<i>Hanging out with my friends</i>	Semanas 16-18

PROHIBITED MATERIALS/BEHAVIORS

- CELL PHONES 
- WEARING EAR PHONES DURING INSTRUCTION 
- PROFANITY 
- WEARING HOODIES IN CLASS 

ATTENDANCE	<p>It is the student's responsibility to get notes/assignments from Schoology, a classmate, the class file, or go to the teacher during Refuel. All missing assignments receive a zero until they are completed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> All tests/quizzes/assignments must be made up the day you return. For extended absences, tests/quizzes must be made up within one week of returning during Refuel. Being absent the day before the test/quiz does not excuse you from the test/quiz! You are responsible for all assignments, notes, & lessons that you missed while absent.
LATE WORK	All assignments must be submitted by the beginning of class on the specified due date unless otherwise stated. Assignments turned in late will receive no higher than 70! All assignments are submitted electronically and are timestamped! All assignments are due the day prior to the unit quiz and WILL NOT be accepted afterwards! Exceptions will only be made for documented emergencies.
RETAKE	All students are allowed to retake all quizzes—not tests—within a week of the grade being posted. Notify me through email to request a Retake and come at the beginning Refuel on your assigned day to do so.
THERE IS NO EXTRA CREDIT! THERE IS NO EXTRA CREDIT! THERE IS NO EXTRA CREDIT!	
ACADEMIC HONESTY	Students are prohibited from using a translator for classwork, homework, tests, or projects without prior approval from the teacher. Violations will result in a zero for the assignment. Any contact w/a prohibited device during a test or quiz is a zero!
P.E.D.'S	School-issued Chromebooks are required for class. Personal electronic devices (PEDs) must be placed in the designated location upon arrival. They will be returned at the end of class. Do not retrieve PEDs until class ends, even for restroom breaks. Non-compliance will result in a disciplinary referral.
EXAM EXEMPTION	To qualify for a final exam exemption, students must have a final average of 85 or higher AND demonstrate full participation in all reviews and assignments leading up to the final exam. NO ZEROS!
COMMUNICATE	Students are encouraged to communicate proactively with me if they foresee difficulties meeting a deadline or understanding the material. Open and honest communication can help in finding solutions and avoiding penalties. Email me @ bmbankston2@madisoncity.k12.al.us if you have any questions or concerns. I will respond to emails in no more than 48 hours (during the work week!).

NOTE: Additional policies or updates may be shared during the course and must be followed.