

Veterans High School
Spanish 4 Syllabus
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¡Bienvenidos estudiantes a la clase de Español 4!

Please review the following information to ensure you understand the class expectations and what you need to do to succeed in Spanish class this semester. Parents/guardians need to review this syllabus with students then sign and return the last page. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me by email at maria.lempsink@hcbe.net . You can also call the school office and leave a message for me at 478-218-7537.

Course Description. This accelerated course approximates mastery of all language skills. Students review fine points of grammar, using a review text. Oral resumes of articles from newspapers and magazines, dealing with the Spanish-speaking world, form the basis for discussions in Spanish. Each semester students read contemporary fiction to develop both an appreciation of literature and analytical skills. A conversation text is used to increase practical vocabulary on certain topics, such as travel, sports, shopping, recreation, etc. Throughout the year, audio recordings are used for listening comprehension. Oral proficiency activities enhance conversational skills

Please visit the following web site for information on course standards:
<https://www.georgiastandards.org/standards/pages/BrowseStandards/MLLStandards9-12.aspx>

Textbook – Entre Culturas Level 4. Students will have to pay \$ 100 for a replacement book if lost.
Student Digital Textbook: FlexText (online version of Textbook)

Materials: Please be prepared for each class meeting with the following materials:

- three-ring binder, and paper
- 1 composition notebooks
- a pen or a pencil,
- 3-4 packs of ruled index cards
- 2 dry erase markers and 1 highlighter
- (A Spanish English dictionary is optional) It is also recommended that students keep a daily planner with them to record upcoming assignments.
- WISH LIST: one of the following: a box of Kleenex, a bottle of hand sanitizer, a tub of Clorox cleaning wipes

Grading System:

The following are the categories for grades in Spanish 3 class:

Daily Work:	15%
Minor Assessments	20%
Major Assessments.....	45%
Final Asesement.....	20%
	100%

This course includes a cumulative exam at the end of each semester:

Students will also be assessed throughout the school year using a variety of methods including: Authentic assessments, participation in oral exercises, traditional tests / quizzes, daily assignments, and projects.

- This course is based on a Proficiency approach to learning the language, therefore the target language will be used 90% of the time.
- Students are expected to actively participate and try new methods, concepts, practices.
- Students **MUST** bring their textbook everyday
- Students will demonstrate mastery of the standards through daily/weekly formatives and 2 Integrated Performance Summative Assessments (tests of projects) per unit.

Google Classroom

To encourage blended learning, online assignments will be posted weekly through Google Classroom. At least two Google Classroom assignment per week will be graded and entered in Infinite Campus. Students should be familiar with how to navigate the online platform, communicate with their teacher, and submit assignments on time. If there are technology limitations, please notify the teacher.

Students need to plan on a test or a quiz every week, typically on Thursdays or Fridays.

Grades are available for parents to check on Infinite Campus at <https://www.hcbe.net/parents.aspx>

Tutoring:

Teacher will be available for tutoring on Wednesday at 3:15.

Retesting:

There will be a maximum of **2** test that can be retaken per semester. In order to access this privilege, the student must **attend at least one tutoring session and/or complete test corrections**. This **needs to be done within 5 days of receiving the failing grade**. After the five-day window students will not be allowed to retake the test. No re-testing is allowed for test on which a student was found cheating. Additionally, a re-test" cannot replace a zero for a task never initially completed.

Class Rules:

1. Come to class prepared with materials and on time.
2. ALWAYS be respectful of self, others, and school property.
3. Gum, food or drinks are not allowed in the classroom (except for water).
4. Sleeping in class is not allowed. Detention will be given for those who do not comply.
5. Daily participation is necessary for successful acquisition of language skills. Absences directly impact your progress toward the learning goals of the class.
6. Students are expected to have **all assigned** work completed and ready to turn in at the **beginning of the class period**.
7. **Late homework will not be accepted**. Homework must be turned in when due.
Any work started in class and not finished due to lack of time needs to be finished for **HOMEWORK**
8. Take responsibility for your learning (be motivated to learn and have a positive attitude).
9. **Be on time, be prepared, be on TASK**.
10. All the rules on the student handbook apply and **will be enforced**.

Consequences:

1. First offense: teacher discretion
2. Second offense: After school detention
3. Third offense: parental contact
4. Multiple offenses: office referral

Academics and Class Requirements:

1. It is **mandatory** to Review material covered in class daily.
2. Ask questions in class if you do not understand the material.
3. Tests and quizzes will be announced in advance.
4. It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to get assignment missed from an **excused absence** and complete it within five (5) days. Failure to complete them will result in a zero
5. Textbooks will not be issued but a scanned copy of the book will be available for the student in Google Classroom,
6. Permission to use the restroom will only be given for emergencies. Plan to go between classes.
7. When you are in Spanish class, you are expected to do work **from Spanish class only**. **Do not** bring in other work to do from other classes.

Cheating and plagiarism: Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated. Any form of communication, use of, or even possession of answers or outside assistance constitutes cheating. "If a student cheats or plagiarizes, the result is a zero for the task grade and parent contact; if the cheating or plagiarism occurs on a major assessment, the result also includes in-school suspension. Any task that results in a zero for cheating is not eligible for a re-test or makeup assignment. The ISS assignment will be progressively graduated if it is a repeated offense"

SPANISH HELP:

- If you need help in Spanish class, please let me know as soon as possible. See above for tutoring day
- Online Dictionaries: Word Reference, Reverso.
- For students interested in furthering their daily practice of the language we recommend the following sites:

<https://studyspanish.com/>

<https://www.quia.com/shared/spanish/>

<https://quizlet.com>

GOOGLE CLASSROOM class page

BYOD (Bring your own device): We **will** be using devices in our class regularly. **NO CELL PHONE USE IS ALLOWED OUTSIDE OF BYOD TIME**

Cyberbullying:

As defined by Dictionary.com, "the act of harassing someone online by sending or posting mean messages." *Please keep in mind that the Edmodo communication system is designed to work as an extension of the classroom; therefore, anything done on the site through the access of a school course group code will be treated the same as if it were said aloud in the classroom. Inappropriate comments or use of the site can result in disciplinary action.*

Please Complete and return this page only.

Student printed Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

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I have read the Spanish syllabus and understand what is expected of my child. I also realize that if I have any questions or concerns, I can email Profe Lempsink at maria.lempsink@hcbe.net or call the school at 478-218-7537.

Parent printed name: _____

Parent signature: _____

Sometimes the information in Infinite Campus could be out of date. Please fill in the contact information below. Contact during the semester is made mostly through email notification.

Current email address #1 _____

Current email address #2 _____

- No email address.

Daytime number: _____ / Evening number: _____

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