



**East Brunswick Magnet School**  
**Spanish I SYLLABUS/EXPECTATIONS**  
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**Spanish I**



**COURSE  
DESCRIPTION**

Spanish 1 will introduce you to the language and culture of the many Spanish speaking countries. In this course, you will use the four language pillars: **READING, WRITING, SPEAKING,** and **LISTENING**, which are key elements in language acquisition.

**TEXTBOOK**

Descubre I (online text)

**REQUIRED  
SUPPLIES**

- A separate notebook and folder for Spanish.
- Sharpened pencil or pen
- A computer/chromebook with Internet access

**GRADING**

Tests/Projects: **40%**    Writing Assignments **20%**    Quizzes: **20%**  
Speaking/Classwork: **15%**    Homework: **5%**

**GRADING  
SCALE**

A+	100-98	B+	89-87	C+	79-77	D	69-65
A	97-92	B	86-82	C	76-72	F	64 and
A-	91-90	B-	81-80	C-	71-70		below

**COURSE  
OVERVIEW**

- Unit 1: Marking Period I: Hola, ¿qué tal?
- Unit 2: Marking Period 2: La escuela
- Unit 3: Marking Period 3: La Familia
- Unit 4: Marking Period 4: Los Pasatiempos

**CLASSROOM  
EXPECTATIONS**

- Follow all school rules!
- Speak Spanish :)
- Do Nows will be completed every class period and are part of your participation grade.
- We will utilize Google Classroom for assignments, notes and other information as needed.
- Google Classroom Code: Block 2B: **dl6hsen** Block 3B: **inontgls**

**Make-up/LATE WORK POLICY:**

If an assignment is missing or incomplete, it will be posted on Parent Access (*Genesis*). Please check Parent Access on a regular basis.

**PARTICIPATION:**

It is impossible to learn a language overnight, but if you practice a little everyday, you will learn it. Speaking and understanding a language is a skill and the only way to perfect it is to practice.

**ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY:**

**Cell phones:** Out of sight and silenced is the rule of thumb! Cell phones need to be put on DO NOT DISTURB or POWERED DOWN. There will be designated times for students to use their phones.

**Charged Chromebooks:** need to be brought to class EVERYDAY

**Translators (AI/apps/Google):** Translators are not allowed, and tend to lead to more errors than clear communication. Using an online translation tool is considered plagiarism. I always want to see YOUR work!

**CULTURAL EXPERIENCES**

**Foods:** Language learning is more than memorizing words and grammatical patterns. Together we will look at the different customs, traditions, celebrations, history and geography of the 21 Spanish-speaking countries. This may include sampling different foods from these countries; please indicate on the signature page if your student has any food allergies, restrictions or sensitivities.