

Piscataway Magnet School
Spanish 1 CP Syllabus
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**COURSE
DESCRIPTION**

In this class we explore both the Spanish language and the culture of Spanish speakers. You will develop basic speaking, reading, writing, and listening skills.

**REQUIRED
SUPPLIES**

A binder or notebook with folder pockets, pencil/pens (blue or black).

GRADING

Classwork 25% Participation 15% Quizzes 20% Tests/Projects 30%
Homework 10%

**GRADING
SCALE**

A+ 100-98	B+ 89-86	C+ 79-76	D 69-65
A 97-92	B 85-82	C 75-72	F 64 and below
A- 91-90	B- 81-80	C- 71-70	

**COURSE
OVERVIEW
AND
OBJECTIVES**

- Marking Period 1: Greetings, Goodbyes, and Courtesy Expressions. Identify self and others, tell time, describe self and others.
- Marking Period 2: School Life: Talk about classes and school activities, ask and answer simple questions, express actions in the present tense.
- Marking Period 3: The Family: Identify Family Members and Family Relations, Express activities in the present tense.
- Marking Period 4: Pastimes: Talk about favorite pastimes and make plans, talk about and plan a vacation, express present tense activities

**CLASSROOM
EXPECTATIONS
AND
PROCEDURES**

- **Be Respectful** of yourself and others. Respect personal space and property. Use appropriate language for a classroom.
- **Be Prepared**-Bring all necessary materials and assignments.
- **Be Productive**- Arrive on time to class, take your seat and start working on the Do Now. Be on task, listen with the intent to understand, participate actively during activities, complete classwork during the time allotted. Stay in your seat.
- **Leaving the Classroom**-You may not leave the classroom without notifying the teacher and/or without a proper pass. Please keep bathroom visits short and to a minimum. *The best time to use the restroom is before or after class.*
- **Dismissal**-Please stay in your seat until the bell rings and Señora Byszynski dismisses the class.
- **Academic Dishonesty**-Cheating and plagiarism will result in a grade of zero in the assignment, parent notification and any other disciplinary actions as stated in the Code of Conduct in the Student Handbook.

Copying someone else's work, asking for or giving someone the answers for tests/quizzes/assignments **is cheating**.

Copying/pasting and printing information from a website to submit as your own work constitutes **plagiarism**.

Using Google Translate to translate your sentences or paragraphs is considered **cheating**.

- Your grades will go up or down depending on your performance in classwork, assessments, and class participation. You earn your grades with your hard work. Complete all work to the best of your ability and in a timely manner for the best grade possible.

MAKEUP WORK:

- If you are absent and you miss a quiz or an assessment, it is your responsibility to talk to me in order to schedule a make-up time within five days of your return. After that time the missing grade becomes a zero.
- You must make up all assignments you miss while absent within a reasonable amount of time. After your return to school, you will be allowed one day per each day of absence to complete the missing work.

LATE WORK POLICY:

- Assignments are **due on the due date**. Late homework or late assignments will be deducted 1 point for each day they are late.
- IEP or 504 guidelines will always be followed as stipulated in the documents.

PARTICIPATION:

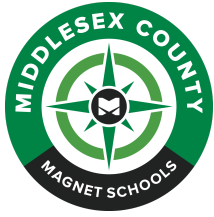
- Participation is expected of all students in Spanish class. In order to learn to speak a language it is necessary to practice and use what you have learned constantly. To be successful, it is extremely important to speak the language **as much as possible**.
- Participation also means that you are engaged in the classroom activities **at all times**. You are required to be on time to partake of all learning activities and to avoid distractions such as unnecessary use of electronic devices.

LATENESS TO CLASS:

- Please arrive **on time** to class (before the bell). Unexcused lateness prevents you from fully participating in the learning process. As such, this will affect your participation grade. Repeated lateness to class will also result in parent notification (after 3 occurrences). Should lateness continue you will be referred to an administrator.

ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY:

- Per the Student Code of Conduct students **may not** use cellphones or earbuds/earphones during class unless directed by the teacher to do so for academic purposes. Uncontrolled use of electronic devices presents a distraction which disrupts the learning process and doesn't allow you to fully participate in class. As such, this will result in a deduction of points from your participation grade. Please refer to the student Code of Conduct for further disciplinary actions. Repeated violations will result in parent notification and referral to an administrator.



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NEXT CLASS

I have read and understood the course policies and expectations.

print student name

student signature

date

parent/guardian signature

date

parent email

parent phone number

Preferred form of communication (circle one):

Email

Phone