



EXPLORANDO EL MUNDO HISPANO

2020-2021

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Español III

Course Goals: *What are you going to learn?*

Welcome to another year of Spanish! Not only are you going to learn how to communicate in Spanish, but you'll learn about the rich history and culture the Spanish language has to offer:

❖ **Communication**

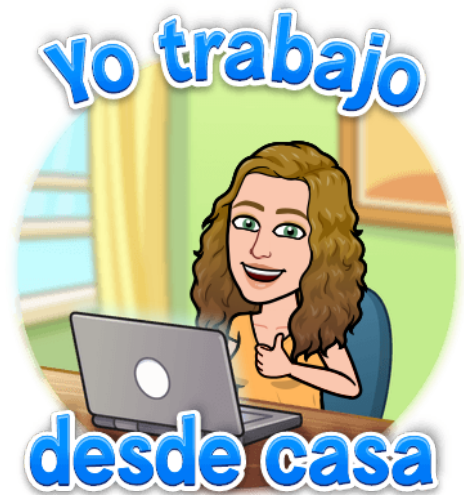
You will develop all modes and skills of language - listening, reading, speaking and writing - at the specified proficiency level. Don't forget: it's all about communication, not perfection.

❖ **Culture**

There's so many things occurring around the world! Knowing more about the practices and perspectives from a variety of Spanish-speaking cultures will help you to understand and connect with others. You will make comparisons and reflect on your own culture and experiences.

❖ **Connection**

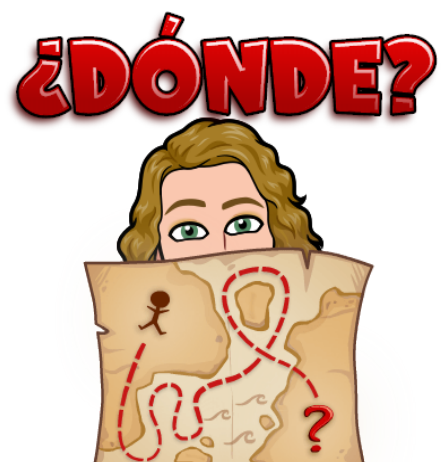
The Spanish language is being used all around us. Part of your asynchronism work will include getting into the community, and experiencing the language and culture in action. This will help you make connections to the world, other content and careers.



Themes & Topics: *What are you going to learn about?*

Here are some themes and topics that we will explore:

- **Daily Life**
- **Music & Arts**
- **Global Challenges**
- **Family & Community**
- **Celebrations & Holidays**
- **Countries & Places**
- **Current Events & News**





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Activities: *What will we be doing?*

To improve in a language, you will need to use it as much as possible in a variety of ways. We are also going to develop the other standards too (cultures, communities, connections, comparisons). Here are some of the main ways we will use it in class:



❖ **Conversations** - Challenge yourself to use Spanish as much as possible during class.

❖ **In-class Experiences** - There will be lots of “trying” in this class including anything from music to art to conversations with new people.

❖ **Projects/Independent Research** - Your new knowledge and expertise will be an important part to share with the class.

❖ **Out-of-class Experiences** - You will have homework choices for each unit to explore Spanish and the culture beyond the classroom.

❖ **Performance Assessments** - This is where you will show off what you can do in Spanish at the end of each unit and the end of the year.

Class Expectations - *What practices and routines are we expected to follow?*

Here are the basic keys that make class successful and meaningful:

❖ **Preparar** - You'll need a writing utensil and notebook ready for class. Set yourself up for success by choosing a space to work without any distractions.

❖ **Respetar** - Respect others and yourself. Be mindful of what you say, do, and the space around you.

❖ **Participar** - Try your best to participate in class. Your voice matters!



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Assessing: *What's my grading going to look like?*

Grading policy - in Spanish, students will receive two kinds of grades: effort and achievement grades.

❖ **Effort Grading** - This will be 30% of your overall grade

- Effort grades are assignments that students complete regularly like classwork or homework.

Type of Assignment	O (Outstanding)	S (Satisfactory)	M (Minimal)	U (Unsatisfactory)	Missing or blank
Homework	10	8.5	7.5	6	0
Small CW	20	17	15	12	11
Large CW	40	34	30	24	22

- Small classwork assignments are Do Nows, Speaking Practice, and other small written assignments.
- Students should plan to attend office hours in order to retrieve missing assignments.

❖ **Achievement Grading** - This will be 70% of your overall grade

- Achievement grades are assignments that occur intermittently throughout the semester in order to assess whether a student has learned a concept or skill such as an essay, test or project.

Type of Assignment	Grade on assessment	Missing or largely incomplete
Large (200 points)	<i>Achievement grades will be given a grade between 100% and 45%.</i>	<i>Any missing or incomplete achievement grades will receive a grade of 45%.</i>
Small (50 points)		



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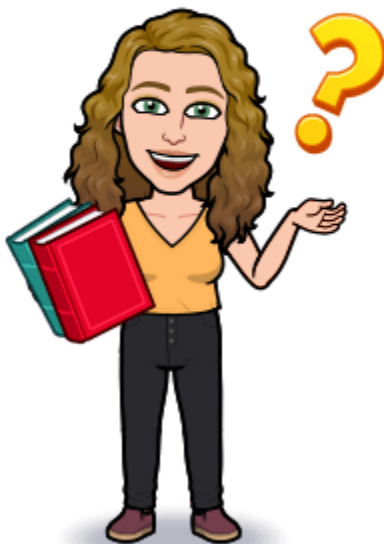
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¿Alguna pregunta?



Contact Info: *How can I contact my teacher?*

I'm always here to help you when you need it! My office hours are below:

Office Hours: Wednesdays: 9:30-10:30AM & by appointment (shoot me an email or Gchat so we can set something up!)

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