

SPANISH IV SYLLABUS

2019-2020

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Course Description:

Spanish IV focuses on the synthesis of the three modes of communication: interpretive, interpersonal and presentational. Thematic units include personal identity, entertainment, traditions, and social values. In addition, students report on the current events of a Spanish-speaking country of their choice, independently read a short novel, and explore several films. This class is conducted exclusively in Spanish in order to master comprehension and speaking skills.

Texts

- Díaz, José M.; Nadel, María; *Abriendo Paso Temas y lectura*. Perason. 2014
- Díaz, José M.; Nadel, María; Collins, Stephen. *Abriendo Paso Gramática*. Perason. 2014
- ¡Avancemos! Tres, Mcdougal Littell

Course Materials

- Students will bring to class EVERY DAY:
 - Pencils w/erasers
 - Correcting pens - any color except black
 - 3 ring binder – keep your binder organized
 - 5 dividers -Vocabulario, Apuntes, Verbos, Ejercicios, and Diarios
 - Loose-leaf paper
 - Laptop - charged
 - Spanish/English dictionary

Expectations

- RESPECT - Be respectful of yourself, your classmates, the classroom, and teachers at all times!
- Be in your seat and begin to work when the bell rings. Conversations in English end when class begins.
- Any student arriving after the second bell without a pass is considered tardy.
- Students are expected to listen, speak, and actively participate.
- Bring all necessary materials to class everyday – binder, pencils, pens, device, flashcards, and homework.
- Keep yourself organized.
- Eating and drinking (other than water) is not allowed in class.
- No lining up at the door.
- Be patient! Learning Spanish takes time and practice. If you do not understand a direction or an assignment, please ask the teacher.
- Have fun!

Grading Policy – Your grade will be based on the following:

- Tests, quizzes, presentations, projects, classwork, homework, journal entries, major writing assignments, dialogues/skits
- Final exams will take place at the end of each term/grading period and will be worth 10% of your overall grade.

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Warm-ups (Bell ringers)

- Each day we will have a warm-up activity at the beginning of class. Warm-ups usually review important vocabulary or grammatical topics from the day before.
- You are expected to begin the warm-up immediately after the second bell rings.

Homework/Classwork/Assignments

- Students will have in-class assignments as well as homework assignments.
- In-class assignments must be turned in before the end of the hour. If for some reason a student was unable to complete the work before the end of the hour, the assignment will be accepted the next day for full credit. Any work turned in after that point will not be accepted and a grade of zero will be given.
- Homework will be graded for completion and accuracy.
- Homework must always be completed and turned in the day it is due.

Late Work/Credit

- If homework is turned in late, you will receive half of the points you would have earned if it had been turned in on time.
- You have up to one week to turn in the late assignment for 50% credit. After one week, it is a ZERO.

Absent work

- It is your responsibility to check with the teacher, a classmate, or Skyward to see what you have missed.
- The number of days you are gone is equivalent to the number of days you have to make up the project or assignment. If you take more than the stated time, it will be considered late.
- If you missed a quiz or test while absent, you have one week to make up the assessment. If you do NOT make up the assessment within the one-week time frame, a grade of zero will be given.

Quizzes

- We will have vocabulary and/or grammar quizzes with each lesson.
- Study your vocabulary and grammar (outside of class) at least 10 minutes a day.

Tests

- We will have multiple lesson tests throughout the term/grading period.
- Lesson tests will include listening activities, sections on vocabulary and grammar, a reading section, and a writing section.
- Some exams will include a speaking component.
- Keep in mind that previous vocabulary and grammar will always reappear on tests.

Projects and Presentations

- A project that is not turned in or not ready at the beginning of class is considered late.
- The consequences for this are the SAME as a late homework assignment.
- 50% will be deducted from the final score and must be turned in within one week.

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Cheating/Plagiarism

- THE USE OF ONLINE TRANSLATORS IS CONSIDERED CHEATING.
- A warning will be given for the first offense.
- If a student continues to use an online translator after the initial warning, a grade of zero will be given.

Extra Credit/Test Retakes

- Extra credit is available at any point during the year if you have earned it.
- This means you have completed your work on time, come to class prepared, and actively participate.
- Please see me before or after school/class to discuss the options available to improve your grade.
- Each student is allowed to retake one exam during the term/grading period.
- In order to retake an exam, you must sign up for a tutoring session(s) during ELT prior to the retake.
- Please see me within two weeks of the original test date to schedule a time to take the exam.

Cell Phone/Device Policy

- Cell phones are not allowed in class.
- Please keep your cell phone in your locker.
- If you feel you work best with music, load your laptop with music ahead of time, and come prepared to class with headphones.
- Please bring your laptop to class each day.

GRADING SYSTEM

The School District of Bonduel will report progress by means of report cards, four (4) times throughout the school year. These grade marking periods consist of approximately 45 days. All report cards will be issued as soon as possible after each grading period.

All official records of the school district that report grades shall use the A-B-C letter grade. The following shall constitute the letter grade and numerical point value for all students in grades 9-12.

A+= 99-100% A= 95-98% A-= 93-94% F= 69% or Below - No Credit

B+= 91-92% B= 88-90% B-= 86-87% W= Withdraw - No Credit

C+= 84-85% C= 80-83% C-= 78-79% M= Medical Excuse - No Credit

D+= 76-77% D= 72-75% D-= 70-71% I= Incomplete - Grade Upon Completion