

Parent/Student Information

8th Grade Spanish

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Objective

The objective of this class is to continue study of the Spanish language and the associated culture.

Topics

Topics covered this year include: review of greetings, classroom objects and subjects, time and calendar; body parts; travel and transportation; prepositions and directions; regular and irregular verbs in the present tense, initial work with the past tense (preterite); holidays, geography and culture of Spain. Reading for comprehension will include a chapter book in Spanish, about a Mexican youth's adventures while traveling with his family in Spain.

Grading Policy

Quizzes/Tests – quizzes weekly; tests weighted 2x	60%
Homework – due when assigned; <u>no credit for lateness</u>	20%
Class participation/ Daily “dictado” [translation work]	20%

****NOTE:**

- Homework, quizzes and tests must be done *alone*. Failure to comply results in a grade of 0 for that work.
- **Recommended online dictionary is www.spanishdict.com** Use of online language translators is restricted to single word lookup only. Obvious usage in homework and composition assignments will result in loss of grade points.

Absent Work

Students who are absent are responsible for getting the homework and turning it in the following day. (Student should use my web page or call a fellow student.) **If a student is absent on the day of a scheduled quiz/test, the student will take it the next day s/he is in school.**

Participation and Respect

Participation is a key aspect of learning a foreign language. Raising your hand to speak, paying attention, being prepared, and attempting to speak in Spanish are all important aspects of participation. Equally important is respecting others' attempts to speak and participate. I expect all students to treat others and me as they would like to be treated, with courtesy and respect.

Website

Homework assignments, test and quiz dates, and project descriptions can be found on my web page:
<http://srahanleygrade8spanish.educatorpages.com/>

Extra help

I am available for extra help during activity periods, most days before school and after school with advance notice. I cannot help if I do not know there is a problem. Please ask questions and let me know if you need help.

I can be contacted at Lynn_Hanley@wrsd.net, or through the main office number at Mountview, (508) 829-5577.