

¡Bienvenid@ a la clase de español 3!

This course is designed to focus on the four major aspects of language acquisition: listening, speaking, reading and writing. This is done while expanding your knowledge of cultural differences. The study of different cultures goes hand in hand with language learning, and developing students into global citizens. We will continue to develop the four language skills in a communicative setting using the interpretive, interpersonal, and presentational modes of communication and the five “C’s” as outlined in the *Standards for Foreign Language Learning in the 21st Century*:

- **Communication** Communicate in languages other than English
- **Cultures** Gain knowledge and understanding of other cultures
- **Connections** Connect with other disciplines and acquire information
- **Comparisons** Develop insight into the Nature of Language and Culture
- **Communities** Participate in multilingual communities at home and around the world.

This course prepares you for the **FLACS Comprehensive Exam in Spanish** (Checkpoint B assessment) in June. There are four parts: speaking (24 pts), listening (26 pts), reading (30 pts), writing (20 pts). The speaking portion will begin in May.

Materials needed for class:

- iPad (charged and functioning *every day*)
- several black or blue pens
- a place to store handouts, preferably a binder

Classroom Expectations:

- Arrive on time
- Be prepared with your iPad, pen, binder/folder, current work (HW assignment, current work in class).
- Participate in class. (Pay attention, contribute with answers and contribute to daily discussions, respect others, look at others when others are speaking, ask meaningful questions, don’t distract yourself or others)
- Follow school policy and code
- Speak Spanish at all times, you need to demonstrate to me that you know the language by actually speaking it.

Tests and Quizzes:

- Quizzes are given frequently. They will always be announced.
- At the end of each unit, there will be an exam. Each exam will usually have a speaking, listening, reading, and writing component. It is the your responsibility to be present at all quizzes and exams.
- Please inform me ASAP if you know you will not be present. Be prepared to take the exam/quiz as soon as you return to school.

Class Participation/Effort:

- Do you participate daily with positive and meaningful contributions?
- Do you arrive to class punctually and fully prepared?
- Do you listen to the teacher and others in the class?
- Do you stay on task during class?
- Do you try to learn and love the language and culture?

If you can answer yes to these questions, you are in a good place with your participation and effort in class.

Homework:

Homework will be given as needed and will usually be checked. It could also be collected and graded. You will receive only partial credit for assignments that are handed in late. I post the HW on my blog and also on the board. If you are absent, check these resources or ask a friend.

Grading System:

Grades will be based on a point system. Items with more points impact your grade more.

- You can expect the following:
about 7 exams throughout the year, plus the midterm and FLACS exams.
- 1 project per quarter. 1 formal, typed essay per quarter.
- at least 10 quizzes per quarter.
- homework

Final course grades are determined by this chart:

Q1	Q2	MIDTERM	Q3	Q4	FINAL (FLACS B EXAM)
18%	18%	10%	18%	18%	18%

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Academic Integrity:

All work completed in, or submitted for, this course must adhere to conditions articulated in the North Shore High School Academic Integrity policy. Cheating, plagiarism, and other forms of academic dishonesty will be subject to the consequences articulated in the Academic Integrity policy, including but not limited to: loss of credit for the assignment, notification to National Honor Society, and disciplinary consequences including suspension. Repeat offenses will face an escalation in consequences as stipulated in the Academic Integrity policy.

Cell phones:

Cell phones, iPods, and other personal, non-school issued electronic devices *are not permitted* in areas other than the cafeteria or courtyard. This is an academic environment and these devices must be turned off and out of sight in all hallways and classroom spaces including the theatre, library, and gymnasium. Devices may be confiscated and delivered to an Assistant Principal.

Attendance:

Student attendance is a critical factor in student success. Students that miss classes for any reason are responsible for, and expected to, make up the missed work in a prompt manner, which may involve completing tests on a free period or outside the school day in the supervised testing center. Students that miss more than 15% of class time in a given quarter, semester, or year for any reason will be subject to the extra-curricular eligibility policy.

These policies will be enforced during class.

Extra Help:

Tuesdays 7:30-8:00 and Wednesdays 3:00-3:30 in room S-2
Other extra help can be arranged by appointment.

¡Qué te vaya bien en español 3!