

Las Reglas del Español

Middle School

EL OBJETO: To listen to, speak, read, write, and understand the Spanish language in addition to becoming familiar with the customs, history, and aspects of culture of Spanish speaking people.

LAS REGLAS:

1.	<u>Speak Spanish.</u> Ten percent of your grade is based upon oral participation in class. It does not matter if your answer is correct or incorrect. Just try! You will make errors. That is a part of language learning and a process through which we learn.
2.	<u>Respect others.</u> Be quiet so that others can learn. Refrain from throwing things, bothering classmates, and chattering during instruction. You need to pay attention to what is happening in class and not disturb others who are trying to learn.
3.	<u>Respect me as the teacher.</u> Be quiet while I am talking. You will miss what I am trying to teach you if you talk. Use appropriate language. Go to the bathroom, office, etc. before you get to class. Ask me questions at the appropriate times.
4.	<u>Be responsible for your own learning.</u> If you need help, come and get it. Complete your work when it is due. If you don't understand, ask me or someone else.
5.	<u>Be seated when the bell rings.</u> You will be tardy if you arrive after I greet the class and will have to get a late pass to be excused.
6.	<u>Be prepared when you come to class.</u> This means you need paper, pencil, and worksheets/packets every day. Be responsible for your own materials. You need to bring them to class because you will not be able to leave after class starts to get supplies.
7.	<u>You are responsible for completing make-up work.</u> One day absent equals two days to get work in. See the late work policy below. Once your due date passes, you will receive a zero for work that is not completed. Make up work as soon as possible after an absence. Ask me or another student what took place in class.
8.	<u>Hands off the computer</u> unless you ask me. Also, please refrain from going behind my desk.
9.	<u>No cheating, copying or plagiarizing.</u> If you cheat, copy, or plagiarize something, you will receive an automatic zero on the assignment. This also counts if you use an online translator for large amounts of material. A word here or there is acceptable.

LAS NOTAS: The numbers below are percentages.

Grade	Minus	Regular	Plus	Total
A	90-91	92-100	none given	90-100
B	80-81	82-87	88-89	80-89
C	70-71	72-77	78-79	70-79
D	60-61	62-67	68-69	60-69
F	59 or lower			

7th Grade Late Work Policy:

Late 1 day: 25% off	Late 3 days: 75% off
Late 2 days: 50% off	Late 4 days or more: 0 credit

The only exception includes excused absences (one day excused absence equals two days to get the work in). No late work will be accepted after 4 days after the due date. Make sure to write the due date in your agenda or on the paper itself.

Ninety percent of your grade is based upon written work. The other ten percent is based upon oral participation. Extra credit will be accepted up to three percent of the total points (ex. 1000 total points = 30 points). Do your work in the first place so that extra credit is not needed. You will have opportunities to earn some points in class.

If you do your homework, study for quizzes at the end of each unit, study for the final exam, and participate in class, you will succeed this quarter in Spanish. I will be available after school so that you can get extra help. There are no excuses!

LA DISCIPLINA: For very minor rule infractions, you will receive menos cinco (minus five) points off of your behavior grade. Everyone will start with 100 behavior points at the beginning of the quarter. For more minor and/or major rule infractions, I will be using PBIS along with the rest of the middle school teachers. This means Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports and is a process for creating a safer and more effective school environment.

The three main Middle School Wide Expectations are:

Live Respectfully

Live Responsibly

Live Safely

I do reserve the right to make decisions that do not follow this process when misbehavior is severe.

I am looking forward to this quarter as you will all be expanding your knowledge of the Spanish language and culture in addition to having fun! :)

Señora Fitch

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Middle School page:

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Lesson Plans page:

<http://www.fallcreek.k12.wi.us/faculty/juliefitch/fitjlessonplans.cfm>

Printable Assignments:

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Parents: Please read the policy, sign below, detach, and have your son/daughter return it to me by the date specified in class.

I/We have read the above policy, understand it, and will encourage our son/daughter to follow it in class.

Date: _____

Parent/guardian signature: _____

Parent e-mail address: _____
(optional)

Students: Sign below and return to me by the date specified in class.

I have read the policy, understand it, and will follow it in class.

Student signature: _____

(in Spanish of course!)