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## Bienvenidos a la clase de español – Welcome to Spanish class!

### Course Description

Students will get acquainted with the sounds, pronunciation, and basic structure of the Spanish language, while beginning to develop the four basic skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Students will also acquire basic knowledge about, and cultural appreciation of, Spanish-speaking countries.

### Goals

Students will be able to:

1. Understand simple Spanish sentences.
2. Ask and answer questions.
3. Read simple texts and answer comprehension questions.
4. Understand and use basic grammar.
5. Converse among each other and present some role-play.
6. Appreciate art, music, cuisine, historical influences, and variety of language conventions among Spanish speaking countries.

### Classroom Norms

Everyone is expected to abide by the following:

- Everyone matters!
- Treat everyone - yourself and others - with respect.
- Follow classroom procedures and school-wide rules.
- Take responsibility for your learning and learning environment.
- Stay focused on Spanish.

### Google Classroom

Google Classroom will be updated regularly and typically shows the student's most current grade. Google Classroom will contain test and quiz dates, helpful links, and downloadable materials. Please note that the monthly calendar of activities is posted on

[www.lourdesmendell.com](http://www.lourdesmendell.com)

## Grading

Classroom agenda and quiz/exam dates are posted in the classroom and on Google Classroom. It is the student's responsibility to keep up with classroom assignments and exams. The final letter grade will be based on the total number of points and grades earned as follows:

Exams – 40%

Quizzes – 20%

Class work/participation – 20%

Written work/Projects – 20%

## Absence

Assignments, test and quiz dates are posted in the classroom, on Google Classroom. In the event of absence, students should check Google Classroom, including the monthly calendar of activities posted on [www.lourdesmendell.com](http://www.lourdesmendell.com). The monthly calendar is important because it shows activities we do in class which are important for learning.

For an excused absence, there will be a reasonable amount of time to make up missed work, usually one (1) additional day per day of absence from class. ***It is the students' responsibility to keep track of work and to complete it in a timely manner. It is the student's responsibility to initiate arrangements to make up missing work as needed.***

## Materials

- Textbook and workbook– Savvas, Auténtico online book. In class they will have a book. I will provide copies of workbook pages and a vocabulary list for each unit.
- Chromebook charged every day.
- Wired headphones.
- Journal and a pocket folder (each period has an specific color)  
3<sup>rd</sup> period – orange   4<sup>th</sup> period – blue   5<sup>th</sup> period – green

## Homework

Practice Español at home every day for 15-20 minutes. Look over classroom notes and study vocabulary list as often as possible.

## Communication

If you have any questions, suggestions, or if there is a problem, please let me know. At school, you may talk with me, or write a note and drop it off in the front office. Outside of school, e-mail is the most convenient.

Here is to a great year! ¡Buena vibra!

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