# Señora Barta / Guidelines and Grading Policies 2016-2017 Español 3-4 - Daily Expectations

Be on time! Class starts as soon as the tardy bell rings!

Be prepared! Bring all materials to class every day: notebook, organized handouts or class

notes, your completed homework assignment, your Chromebook and a pencil or

pen.

NO LATE PAPERS! (You will receive 2 passes to be used in case of emergency!)

→ If you use your late passes, you will be assigned a 30-minute detention for each subsequent assignment not completed on time. You will also face the possibility of being removed from the class.

Complete work missed due to excused absences within two days!!

Make sure you consult the "Ausencias" binder on the table by the phone.

(Assignments are also posted at: http://wp.lps.org/tbarta)

You must come in after school each time you are absent to arrange a make-up assignment. These assignments will vary but will include speaking and one or more of the following: reading/writing/culture. → ALL MAKE-UP WORK, WITH OR WITHOUT A PASS, MUST BE

COMPLETED BY THE END OF EACH CHAPTER AND/OR QUARTER.

Participate! ¡Habla español! Do all the activities to the best of your ability.

You can do it! (You must do it to stay in this class!!)

Be considerate! Respect the rights and dignity of others. Be nice! Be kind! Be a good classmate!

Other matters: Have permission to leave your desk or the classroom.

(You must have a signed pass in order to leave the classroom.)

- $\rightarrow$  No food is allowed. You may have a drink with a cap (bottled water, for example).
- → All cell phones must be **turned off** and **out of sight** when you are in the classroom (even if the bell hasn't rung, even if we have 30 seconds left!).

This is our classroom and we need to work together to create a place where ALL students have the opportunity to learn! If you have difficulties following these expectations, we will start with a student-teacher conference to work out a solution.

### Attendance Policy

All Southeast classes will follow the published Southeast attendance policy. Since you earn double credit for this class, you are in danger of getting reduced credit or of being removed from the class if you have a lot of absences!

## **Grading Policy**

Your grade will be based on tests, quizzes, daily work and oral communication.

There will also be a final exam each semester.

The Southeast High School grading scale is: 90-100 = A 70-74 = C

 $85-89 = B+ \quad 65-69 = D+$ 

80-84 = B 60-64 = D

75-79 = C + 0-59 = F

### Use of Spanish in the classroom:

In addition to written assignments, you are expected to speak Spanish in the classroom 100 percent of the time! Of course, you'll make mistakes; that is how language proficiency is developed. Expect some frustration, especially at first, because you still need to increase your vocabulary and develop your ability to express yourself. Be a risk taker! Daily practice is the only way to make progress towards your goal of communicating in a meaningful way with others.

#### SO HOW WILL YOUR ORAL COMMUNICATION GRADE BE DETERMINED?

You will need 5 points for every day that we meet and for which you have a reasonable opportunity to earn your points. For example, you are not expected to earn speaking points on test days. If a quiz lasts part of the period, you might be expected to earn 3 points.

You must come in after school to make up speaking points due to absences.

You must speak Spanish 5 minutes with your teacher or 10 minutes with another student to earn your points for each day you are absent.

You can do this!!! Answer questions in class.

Participate in class discussions or debates.

Speak to your friends in Spanish. Speak to your teacher in Spanish.

Create your own opportunities to practice the language.

#### A FINAL NOTE

Make sure you read and are very familiar with the Plagiarism Policy posted in our website and in Synergy. You have the above information to give you specific, concrete ways to earn the best grade you can, but you should be speaking Spanish the entire class period every day. Take advantage of every opportunity to better your speaking skills!

¡Sí, se puede!