**Spanish I Course Syllabus**

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Planning Hours: 2nd block

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**Course Description:**

This class is Spanish I. Students are introduced to Spanish grammatical structures and begin their conversational, reading and writing skills while acquiring essential vocabulary. Students also increase their knowledge of the culture of Spanish speaking peoples.

**Grading policy**

Hamilton County’s grading policy is as follows:

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| **Percentage** | **Grade** |
| **93% – 100%** | **A** |
| **85% – 92%** | **B** |
| **75% - 84%** | **C** |
| **70% -74%** | **D** |
| **Below 70%** | **F** |

The grading procedure for the semester course and each nine weeks is as follows:

37.5% -1st 9 weeks

37.5%- 2nd 9weeks

25%- final exam

**Textbook Policy:**

You are assigned a textbook by the second week of school. RBHS uses **Realidades1** (Pearson Prentice Hall). The textbooks are in good shape and were purchased recently. It is **very important** that you keep your textbooks with you and not leave them in class. A hold is placed on your record and you assume financial responsibility if it is lost. **The cost for a lost book is** **$75**.

**Make-Up Work:**

It is **your responsibility** to check for missing assignments if you miss a class due to illness or another excused absence. You may also log onto the school’s website, or edmodo.com to see what assignments were posted.

**Late Work Policy:**

It is **your responsibility to ask in advance** for work that will be missed during a planned absence. If a student has a **documented excused absence**, late work will be accepted for full credit up to **five days after returning to class**. Work missing from **an unexcused absence must be turned in the following day** to receive full credit.

**Tardy policy:**

 You are **late when you are not inside the classroom** when the bell rings. **You need a tardy slip** signed by the teacher on duty in the hall in order to enter the class after the bell. This tardy slip is for detention, which is served within 3 days with the grade level administrator. **The tardy** **is also marked in Powerschool**. You still have administrative detention when you are tardy beyond the tardy slip time period, administration is notified by email.

**Materials required:**

* Assigned textbook
* Writing Utensil (one that works)
* Any material necessary to complete assigned projects.

Bring your book and writing utensil **EVERY DAY**. No passes will be given out to get material from your locker.

**Foreign Language Fees:**

**There is a $15 world language fee**. Please pay these fees. Payments can be made in small increments. These fees offset the cost for class specific materials that the district does not provide.

**Parent/Teacher contact:**

**Please contact me at any time regarding your child’s progress**. The best way to contact me is by email. If you have concerns about grades, please make use of PowerSchool first and if there is an issue, please do not hesitate to contact me. The school’s phone number is also listed above with my extension number. I am always eager to correspond with parents.

\*Please note – this syllabus is subject to revision throughout the year. Any changes will be made clear to students.

**Most Importantly – I look forward to a great semester! Please sign below.**

**We have read the information and we understand the policies for this class.**

Student Parent/Guardian

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Return to teacher by: *August 14, 2013 for extra credit*