



Santan Jr. High School
Spanish 1 year 2

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Class Overview

¡Bienvenidos! Welcome to Spanish! This course is a continuation from last year's Spanish class. In this class we will be immersing ourselves in the culture and language of Spanish speaking people around the world. You will learn more vocabulary, grammar, and communications concepts in Spanish, and various aspects of Hispanic culture through listening, speaking, reading and writing.

Classroom Expectations, Policies & Procedures

In order to create the best learning environment possible where every student has the chance to succeed, we must follow certain policies and procedures.

General Class Procedure

- ✓ Be in your seat when the bell rings ready to work.
- ✓ Come to class on time and bring your Spanish binder and materials every class.
- ✓ Keep your assignments in your Spanish binder.
- ✓ Keep your Spanish binder **ORGANIZED**.
- ✓ Please raise your hand for permission or to speak or to ask a question during class time.
- ✓ Work on your daily warm up
- ✓ Have your TAREA (Homework) on your desk.
- ✓ When working in groups, please keep your voice at a moderate level.
- ✓ Be responsible for you own actions.
- ✓ Respect yourself, others and school property.
- ✓ Gum **is not** allowed on campus!
- ✓ Electronic devices are **only** allowed for educational purposes with teacher permission.
- ✓ Phones and Tablets should be turned off and kept in your backpack
- ✓ Speak Spanish in class! Mistakes are part of the learning process!
- ✓ Try your best and have a **POSSITIVE ATTITUDE!!!**

Classwork

You will have class work every day. Classwork may be, but is not limited to worksheets, audio, video activities, group work, projects, papers, book work, role-playing, pair-work, songs, educational games, and presentations.

Homework/Tarea

- ✓ You will have at least 10-15 minutes of homework for every day they are in class. It is also highly recommended to study your vocabulary at minimum 10 minutes per day. A foreign language needs to be reinforced in order to master the concepts learned in class.
- ✓ You may check the daily Homework (Tarea) and classroom link on the teacher's website.
- ✓ All work should be labeled with:
 - Student's First and Last Name (Example: Duarte, Rosa)
 - Student's Day and Period (Example: D1 -P2)
 - The date (Example: 8/22/11)
- ✓ Work with no name will receive no points.

Test/Quizzes

- ✓ There will be a quiz every two weeks on the current chapter, vocabulary, verbs, phonograms, and class work.
- ✓ All tests and speaking evaluations will be announced at least two weeks in advance.
- ✓ Tests and speaking evaluations are cumulative.

Group work

- ✓ You will work in groups of 2-5 on a weekly basis. Unless otherwise notified, Sra. Abbott will create the groups. These groups will change frequently, and students must work within the group he or she is assigned.
- ✓ You will have a partner assigned to you to practice with. Partners will be changed frequently so that you can familiarize yourself with as many of your classmates as possible.
- ✓ When working as group and/or with a partner you need to keep a moderate tone of voice.

Speaking

Only one person should be speaking at any given time in the classroom, except during group work. If the teacher is speaking, students may share a comment or ask a question by raising his or her hand and waiting to be called on. Because we respect everyone's opinion, we want to make sure each person is heard clearly.

Behavior

I expect you to take responsibility for your own behavior. If you choose not to follow the classroom policies or procedures mentioned above, you will be choosing the following consequences:

Consequences:

- ✓ 1st offense: verbal warning and/or note from the teacher.
- ✓ 2nd offense: staying after class to talk to the teacher and call to home.
- ✓ 3rd offense: written warning, 2 points deduction of Participation score, and referral to C.A.R.E.
- ✓ **NOTE:** The teacher reserves the right to skip steps 1 and 2 and move to step 3 based on the severity of the offense.
- ✓ See the student handbook for a list of offenses that may require an immediate behavior citation.

Absences

- ✓ It is your responsibility to find out what material you may have missed and turn in work after any absences.
- ✓ You have one day per absence to make up your work. It is **solely up to you** to find out what you missed and turn it in.
- ✓ Test/quizzes or speaking assignments will be made up during tutoring.

Exit Policy

The class is not over when the bell rings. It is over when I ask you to pack up. At this time and this time only:

- ✓ Put away all personal supplies (writing utensils, paper, etc.)

- ✓ Straighten desk into row or group where you found it at the beginning of class.
- ✓ Check below and around your desk for scraps of paper/garbage.
- ✓ Sit silently in your desk and wait to be dismissed.

Technology

You will be able to use your own technology in class for educational purposes at teacher and parent discretion. Phones are not allowed to be on during the school day. Inappropriate use of technology can result in the loss of this privilege. You are fully responsible for any technology brought to school.

You are provided with a **Santan Google Drive** account, which can be accessed from anywhere on or off campus. Creating, editing, and sharing documents and projects in the Santan Google Drive is highly recommended <http://drive.santanjhs.org>

Text Book

We will be using the textbook “Así Se Dice”. Textbooks are housed in our classroom, but may be accessed online where students can view text, play games, view vocabulary cards and more! I will give you a code on the 1st day of school.

Topics

All in Spanish!

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| ✓ Review of last year’s Spanish | ✓ Illnesses/Doctor’s visit |
| ✓ Sports | ✓ Parts of the body |
| ✓ Shopping for clothes/food | ✓ Travel |
| ✓ Personality, conditions and emotions | ✓ Cultural Projects |

Materials

It is recommended that you bring on a daily basis:

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| ✓ Line paper for note taking | ✓ Pencil sharpener |
| ✓ One 3-ring binder | ✓ Pencils |
| ✓ 4 Dividers with blank labels | ✓ Highlighters |

Participation

In order to learn a language, you must speak that language at every given opportunity. Our classroom is a great place to do so. Your participation in class is essential to learn Spanish. The participation rubric will be given to you on 1st day of school. You can gain or lose points depending on your attitude, participation, use of class time, organization, responsibility, preparedness, behavior, and use of Spanish.

Participation points will be awarded for:

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| ✓ Speaking Spanish! | ✓ Showing effort and creativity |
| ✓ Participating in activities. | ✓ Going above and beyond! |
| ✓ Arriving to class prepared. | |
| ✓ Following the class rules and procedures | |

Grading

Your grade will be a reflection of the **mastery of concepts and objectives**.

Scale Score	Mastery	Letter Grade
4	Outstanding Performance Clear mastery of Assessment Objectives	A
3	Above Average Performance General mastery of Assessment Objectives	B
2	Satisfactory Performance Evident Progress Toward Mastery of Assessment Objectives.	C
1	Below Average Performance Difficulty Mastering Assessment Objectives.	D
0	Unsatisfactory Performance No evidence of Mastery of Assessment Objectives	F

The weighted average of final grades will be calculated as follows:

- ✓ 90% of the grade will be based on **opportunities to demonstrate mastery** (tests and projects)
- ✓ 10% of the grade will be based on **practice opportunities** (homework, daily work, warm ups, participation in class)

*** For more information on SJHS Grade Policy visit cusd80.com/sjhsgrading

Please, check Infinite Campus weekly to check your grades and progress
<http://www.cusd80.com/studentportal>

Tutoring

Tuesdays before school 8:15am - 8:55am by appointment **ONLY** by signup sheet in our classroom. Tutoring is recommended if you are struggling or needs help with homework or classwork. Quizzes, test and speaking evaluations are also made up during tutoring.

Thank you for taking the time to review this important information. I am looking forward to a great year at Santan Junior High.

iGracias!

Sra. Abbott