

# **Guía para la clase de español de Sr. Jenkins**

## **Classroom Expectations:**

Follow the 5 P's (**polite, prompt, participate, prepared**, and have **pride**). Think before you act. Be helpful to your classmates: allow them time to process rather than always blurting out the answer; AVOID translating unless specifically asked to do so; encourage each other to take risks; help nurture a safe, caring environment where everyone can grow.

Courtesy = Maturity: Go out of your way to show respect to others, even if you don't like them. The absolute worst thing that you can do is to talk while someone else is talking. Be respectful.

## **What you'll learn this year**

You will improve your ability to speak, understand, read, and write in Spanish. You will actively participate in a vast array of activities that will help you attain a beginning to intermediate level of fluency in Spanish. Since language is an integral part of culture, you will also learn to expand your perspectives about the rest of the world, and other cultures and people, by exploring cultural values and assumptions that may or may not be different than your own.

## **Starting Class**

- In accordance with our school-wide norms, line up at the door, at Zone 1 and wait for instructions.
- Enter the room at Zone 0 and quickly prepare for the “Para Empezar”.
- Always keep the aisles clear.
- Backpacks should be left in lockers.

## **Attendance:**

I expect all students to be in class on-time. Your attendance is crucial to your success in this class. You are considered tardy if you walk into class after the bell rings. Truancies are explained in the student handbook. Students should enter the classroom through the south door, and exit through the north door to prevent congestion.

## **Cell phones and other electronics:**

These items are not allowed in class unless you receive specific instructions from me to do so for the completion of an in-class activity (this will be rare). Scholars who have electronic devices such as cell phones or Bluetooth devices out during a quiz or test will receive an “F” for the assignment and make-up of test or quiz will be at my sole discretion. ***This is your warning: keep them off and out of sight!***

## **Required Materials**

- A positive attitude
- Husky binder with loose-leaf paper, OR spiral notebook
- Instruments for writing and correcting work in class

## **Food & Drink:**

Water is the only liquid allowed in the classroom. No other food or drink is permitted.

**Grading:**

Divisions	Categorical Weights
Assessments (i.e. vocab quizzes, unit exams, projects)	60%
Classwork (i.e. in-class assignments, interpersonal communication)	25%
Homework (i.e. listening logs)	15%

***Semester grades are a composite of two quarters and are weighted as follows:***

$$1^{\text{st}} \text{ quarter (45\%)} + 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ quarter (55\%)} = 1^{\text{st}} \text{ Semester Grade}$$

$$3^{\text{rd}} \text{ quarter (45\%)} + 4^{\text{th}} \text{ quarter (55\%)} = 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ Semester Grade}$$

**Assignments:**

Homework and assignments are due on the date specified (completed when you walk through the door). Assignments and projects which are submitted electronically will include specific date and time parameters. **Late** assignments will result in a **reduction of 10% per day**, and **WILL NOT** be accepted more than 3 days late (excluding excused absences). Digital assignments are counted using calendar days (which includes weekends); hard copy assignments are calculated using school days.

Scholars with an excused absence will receive 2 days for each excused day. **It is your responsibility to see me when you return to get make-up work** –either during F.V.R., Hamily Reads, or after school. In an effort to minimize waste, and increase your responsibility, most assignments/printable resources will be available on my website for you and your parents to print as needed: [www.sirjenkins.com](http://www.sirjenkins.com).

**Restroom:**

You **MUST** have restroom/water card **AND** your planner with you at the time the request is made. You **will not** be allowed to use the restroom pass **during the first or last ten minutes** of class, or during direct instruction.

**Disciplinary Actions:**

Every scholar has the right to learn in the best environment possible. Your behavior should not diminish another student's ability to learn. Consequences may include, but are not limited to: verbal re-direction, new seat, phone call/email home, FYI to administrator, referral. Extreme cases of disruptive behavior, verbal/physical harassment, and blatant defiance, will be grounds for automatic referral. . . no questions asked.