

Señora Melissa Creamer - Español 1

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Spanish 1 Remind messaging - TEXT @2ab88f to 81010. This will allow you to join our class and you will receive any important announcements I send out.

¡Bienvenidos!

Welcome to Spanish class! It is a pleasure to see you here tonight. We hope that this short visit will help you envision more clearly what your son/daughter does during this class period.

The objective of Spanish 1 is to introduce the students to the skills needed in acquiring a second language. The students learn simple vocabulary, useful expressions and phrases, basic grammar and structure. They also learn about the cultures that speak the language and the practicalities of developing fluency. We try to accomplish all this in a friendly, hands-on environment that will keep students motivated and interested.

A large portion of the class time is spent speaking and practicing the skills learned. It is through use that the students become more comfortable. It is also the hardest thing for them to do, as they are sometimes anxious about making mistakes. Please help me by encouraging your child to relax, keep trying and “go for it.” It is my job to correct them, but I do it respectfully.

30% of your child's grade is a combination of Class Work, Class Participation and Homework. A class participation grade is given to the students on a daily basis, based upon their performance or lack thereof. The students will have homework often, both online and on paper. The purpose is to reinforce the concepts they are learning and to have continued exposure throughout the week. I do not check and collect every assignment. All assignments are reviewed to ensure comprehension, but only random assignments are graded. The students will receive a weekly homework grade based on any

assignments given throughout the week. If a student is absent, they have as many days to make up the work, as they were absent. For instance: absent 1 day, 1 day to make up work; 4 days absent, 4 days to make up work. This is the only time late work is collected.

The final 70% of your child's grade consists of quizzes and other assignments that hold a greater value than homework. This includes any Internet activities, short oral dialogues, any projects, etc. **The students' ability to take responsibility for their work and have a serious approach to the class is essential in passing this class.** I sent home a sheet with the class rules and some tips for the students to use in order to be successful in learning Spanish.

If you have anything you would like to ask me or feel I should know about your child, please feel free to contact me. You may also email me at: creamerm@lcmrschools.com. I look forward to an exciting and productive year.

¡Gracias!