St. Patrick Catholic School

Spanish Level 1 Grades 7th and 8th Grade Course Syllabus

Course Goals

The goal of this course is to introduce students to a general understanding of the Spanish language and provide cultural awareness of several Spanish speaking countries in the world. Communication in this course will encompass the use of vocabulary, grammar, reading, writing, cultural awareness, audio and conversational speaking activities. Vocabulary concepts to be explored include social functions, geography, time, weather & leisure, friends, family & home, school, education & work, travel & transportation. Grammar concepts to be explored include nouns and articles, adjectives, verbs, adverbs, pronouns, prepositions, conjunctions, interjections and more. These lessons will provide the students invaluable exposure to the Spanish language and the Hispanic culture.

Student Expectations:

- Be respectful of one another.
- Have a positive attitude in class.
- Put forth your best effort in class.
- Arrive to class prepared with all necessary materials (textbook, notebook, folder, pen and/or pencil).

Student Responsibilities:

- Keep in mind unexcused absences will affect the total class participation grade.
- If a student misses a quiz, test, and/ or is not able to hand in a project on time due to an excused absence, the student will have a limited opportunity to make up the grade.
- **Late work** will be accepted. However, there will be a 10-point grade drop for each calendar class day late.

Communicate the submission of late work with the teacher to avoid additional points lost on the assignment.

- If a student or parent/guardian needs to meet with me after school, I can make myself available with a previously scheduled appointment.
- All rules in the <u>St. Patrick Catholic School Handbook</u> apply to Spanish Level 1 class.

Grading Policies:

Category 1 (tests/projects)	40%
Category 2 (quizzes)	30%
Category 3 ((classwork/class assignment)	20%
Category 4 (class participation)	10%

Additional Information:

Please check Powerschool frequently for posted grades and class attendance. Do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns at ewolfe@saintpatrickschoolva.org or by calling (540) 786-2277 to leave a voicemail message at the school.