



LISLE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

SPANISH IV

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DEPARTMENT MISSION

The mission of the World Language Department is to foster the acquisition of another language. The purpose of learning another language is to communicate with the people who speak it and to understand their culture. Students will realize that the learning of another language has long lasting effects in both their personal and professional lives. Students will expand their multi-cultural and global awareness allowing them to function as better global citizens. We will provide students with ways to make language learning more meaningful through the teaching of culture, connecting with content from other disciplines, and the comparison of the target language with their native language.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The objectives of this course are to further develop communication skills in the areas of listening, speaking, reading and writing in everyday situations, and to develop an understanding and appreciation of the customs and cultures of the Spanish-speaking world. An integral part of the course is active class participation. The class will stress the use of Spanish for active communication in formal and informal settings preparing students for post-high school studies and/or the AP Spanish Language & Culture class. Vocabulary and grammar are systematically re-entered throughout the program to strengthen student learning. In addition to the text, classroom activities include novels, speeches, projects, research papers and films.

COURSE LEARNING STANDARDS

- Interpersonal Communication
- Interpretive Communication
- Presentational Communication





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COURSE GRADING POLICY

Within each unit summative and formative sections are weighted as follows:

80% Summative (tests, quizzes, projects) and **20%** Formative (homework / in-class work)

Please actively check your grade on Power School.

Grading Scale

A = 90-100

B = 80-89

C = 70-79

D = 60-69

F = 50-59

LATE WORK POLICY

Late homework is never accepted unless due to an excused absence.

If you are absent prior to a quiz and know about the quiz, you will **NOT** get an extension to take it. You will take the quiz with the class when you return. The only reason for an extension is if **NEW** material is presented while you are absent.

If you are absent the day of a quiz or test you will take it the day you return. Quizzes and tests will be made up before or after school or during a study hall.

It is your responsibility to keep up with your course work and all assessments. You will always know in advance or any tests or quizzes. It is up to you to remember to come in and make them up when absent.

COMMUNICATION WITH COURSE TEACHER

E-mail is the best way to communicate with me, and I will make every effort to respond to e-mails and phone calls within 48 hours.

OTHER SUPPORT

Textbook:

Realidades III (Pearson)

On-line access: www.realidades.com

