

# Bienvenido



## BIENVENIDOS AL MUNDO DEL ESPAÑOL! WELCOME TO THE SPANISH WORLD!

Spanish I/ Mrs. Soto

My name is Señorita Soto and I will be your child's Spanish teacher. I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself and to involve you in my class. I would like to give you an overview of how I will be teaching this class along with my expectations.

The text we will be using in this class is En Español. The students will also have a workbook for which they will be responsible. The cost for replacement for the textbook is \$49.00 and the cost to replace the workbook is \$

Course Objectives: Use of Spanish for communication. This course stresses the essentials of Spanish and it is to enable the student to:

- a) develop speaking ability and writing skills.
- b) use Spanish grammar and vocabulary appropriately.
- c) increase student's readings skills

The class routine:

- Students should be in class on time.
- When students arrive in class they should sit down and get started on the warm-up activity.

Grading:

- Grades are to be determined using a point system and follow the Fairfax County grading scale. They are based on the following:
  1. Tests and projects- 35%
  2. Quizzes- 25%
  3. Homework-10%
  4. Oral work -30%Oral work may include class participation, oral quizzes/presentations and use of Spanish.

Final Grade Determination: A percentage average between the four quarters will be used to determine your final grade using the 4-point scale.

- Students will have a daily participation grade. My expectation is that they do not use English in the class and that they come to class with all their supplies including their homework.

Students will also be tested through PALS. They will have one PALS test each quarter and PALS will make up half of their final grade. Their final will consist of 50% multiple choice, 25% PALS oral, 25% PALS written.

I will keep the students' grades current throughout the year for your review so that you can monitor your child's progress report. **Please inform me of changes to your e-mail address and phone number throughout the year so I can continue to provide you with updates.**

Feel free to contact me at any time. E-mail is the most effective way to contact me; however, if you wish to call, you may leave a message with the secretaries and they will put it in my mailbox. Please note my contact information in your e-mail account and in your phone book.

**Señorita Soto**

**Phone: (703) 313-3700**

**My E-mail address is [csoto@fcps.edu](mailto:csoto@fcps.edu) I will be checking my E-Mail daily and will respond to messages within 24 hours.**

I do expect students to have all their supplies for the class by **Monday, September 13, 2004**. In addition to the below list, I suggest buying a pencil bag, which can attach to a 3-ring binder to hold the colored pencils, glue stick, white board marker, and scissors.

**Supply list:**

- 3-ring notebook with paper (students can share the notebook with another class)
- A spiral notebook for Spanish ONLY
- Colored pencils containing the following colors: white, black, gray, purple, blue, green, yellow, orange, pink, red, and brown.
- Dry erase marker (blue or black)
- 1 pocket Spanish dictionary (look for them at the Dollar Shop, Wal-mart, Borders, etc.)
- several packs of index cards with holes (regular size)
- One ring to connect notecards

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Please fill out cut off and return the student information slip below and return it no later than Friday, September 10, 2004.

**STUDENT INFORMATION SLIP**

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Student name (please print)

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Student e-mail account

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Parent name (please print)

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Parent e-mail account

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Home phone number

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Work phone number

I understand that this is a high school credit class with high school expectations and that students will be accountable for maintaining good behavior and grades in this program. I will have the school supplies by Monday, September 13, 2004. Any questions I have are written below.

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Parent signature

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Student signature

**Questions and Comments:**

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