



KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS

KAPĀLAMA MIDDLE SCHOOL

Course Summary for Spanish 1

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Overview

Spanish is the official language of many different countries throughout the world. Learning Spanish provides you with the opportunity to develop appreciation for a different or possibly your own culture and heritage. The study of the Spanish language will strengthen your appreciation for Spanish culture and history.

Course Goals

- You will be introduced to the Spanish language and encouraged to appreciate the culture and history.
- You will progress in the four language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing.
- You will learn the correct pronunciation and spelling and apply the four language skill areas in communication. In addition, you will learn proper keystrokes (acentos, diéresis, puntuación) on the computer.

Student Responsibilities

- Follow “Ke Ala Pono” guidelines. Adhere to rules stated in the Student Handbook.
- Follow tribes agreement: Attentive listening, No put downs, Mutual respect, Show appreciation, The right to pass
- Attend class daily.
- All required work should be neat, complete and turned in on time.
- Bring readmits for absences, tardy slips or notes as required.
- Food and drinks are not allowed in the classroom except during food-related activities.
- Cheating and copying of another person’s work and plagiarizing will result in immediate disciplinary action.
- Study and review daily at home even when there is no newly assigned homework.

Grading Procedures

* subject to change with notification to students and parents

Components of Grades:

Achievement (A,B,C,D,F) grades are given. Letter grades are given for tests and quizzes, which test specific knowledge like vocabulary, verb forms, etc. Students are not expected to be native speakers of the language.

Grading Scale

A+ = 97% - 100%	C+ = 77% - 79%
A = 93% - 96%	C = 73% - 76%
A- = 90% - 92%	C- = 70% - 72%
B+ = 87% - 89%	D+ = 67% - 69%
B = 83% - 86%	D = 63% - 66%
B- = 80% - 82%	D- = 60% - 62%
	F = 59% and below

Grade Breakdown

Projects/Performances 35%

Tests and quizzes 40%

Class work/Homework 15%

Participation 10%

Current grades are uploaded every two weeks. Students and parents may check grades on KS connect.

Late Assignments

Late assignments will be worth **half** of the allotted points and is accepted at teacher's discretion.

Student Absences

For absences, it is the student's responsibility to find out their work posted in Blackboard and make up any missing work, tests or quizzes. They are to complete the missing assignment in an appropriate time frame. Student or parent should contact the Unit Office to request assignments during absences.

Extra Credit

Students have the opportunity to earn extra credit once a quarter when they bring in a current events article of their choice about a Spanish speaking country. They must read the article and fill out an extra credit form given by the teacher.

Student Help

Study help is available during lunch recess or study hall. Students must confirm times with the teacher.

_____ Student Signature and Date

_____ Parent/Guardian Signature and date