

## **Bienvenidos a la clase de AP Español Lenguaje!**

Espero que todos estén bien y disfruten el tercer semestre!

Aquí les doy la información para que practiquen mucho durante el verano en preparación para nuestra clase en septiembre. (la hoja atada)

Es importante que me entreguen los siguientes ...

- **3 (tres) videos personales** diciéndome (desde tu corazón...**SIN leer**) lo que han hecho durante el mes... **el primero será al final de este mes....el 29 de junio, el segundo será el 31 de julio y el final - el 30 de agosto**
- **Correspondencias electrónicas en español cada 2 (DOS) SEMANAS** - tema es tu preferencia (familia /empleo / actividades con amigos /el tiempo libre/ una novia/ mascota /sueños/ futuro etc....) También, tienen que hacerme preguntas (2-4) al final del correo para contestarles

Estoy muy animada 😊 de tenerles en la clase y deseo que se diviertan con los sitios de web que les envié en este correo. Avísame si tienen preguntas.

¡Que Dios les bendiga siempre!

Sra. Higgins

## **Welcome to the AP Spanish Language and Culture class!**

I hope you are all well and enjoying your third semester.

Here I am sending to you information in order for you to practice a lot during the summer in preparation for our class in september. (see attached)

It is important for you to turn in the following:

- 3 personal videos telling me from the heart — not reading to me what you have done during the month. the first video is due June 29, the second is due July 31 and the final video is due August 30
- Every 2 weeks please send me an email in Spanish. Theme is your choice ( family /jobs/ things you are doing with your friends / your free time /a girlfriend /a pet /dreams/ your future etc) In addition, you must ask me 2-4

questions for me to respond to you. I get to know you and you are able to get to know me!

I am very excited to have you in my class and I hope you enjoy working on these websites on the attached document — not all are grammar.

Let me know if you have any questions,

May God Bless you always!

**Práctica para el verano.docx**

<https://www.youtube.com/user/onceninostv/playlists> – enjoy and understand what the general ideas are!

<http://www.rtve.es/television/20120427/castilla-leon-ahi-nada/519178.shtml> Watch, listen and surf the programs!

<https://www.makebeliefscomix.com/> -create your own comic strip en ESPANOL!

<https://tinycards.duolingo.com/> helps you memorize vocabulary

<https://www.memrise.com/course/1098045/spanish-spain-3/> learn new vocab to incorporate in your speaking and writing

<http://www.laits.utexas.edu/spe/> Listening comprehension: different podcasts from different parts of the Spanish-speaking world. If you were in my class, you are very familiar with this site.

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/mividaloca/full\\_details.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/spanish/mividaloca/full_details.shtml) “Mi Vida Loca” –listening comprehension view all episodes. You may be able to pick up some new stuff!

<http://www.coerll.utexas.edu/spintx/video/467> – Authentic videos for listening comprehension (transcripts are available)

[www.conjuguemos.com](http://www.conjuguemos.com) -practica los tiempos verbales y también vocabulario. Acuerdense que todo es gratis!! No se registren en este programa

<https://cuentosparadormir.com/cuentos-cortos> – Cuentitos que quizás los hubieran oído cuando eran niños. Si tienen hermanitos, deben pasar tiempo leyendo a ellos en voz alta. 😊

*All work may be submitted to Mrs. Higgins at [mrs.higgins@hermits.com](mailto:mrs.higgins@hermits.com)*

## Are you ready to step up to the challenge?

If you are taking the AP Spanish class, here are some recommendations for things to do over the summer and during the school year to help you prepare. These are in addition to your assignments and school activities. Learning a language cannot be done in 50 minutes. Make it a part of your day everyday!

1. **Every day, READ IT!** Pick up a Spanish publication/Internet articles and read some of it. READ SOMETHING in Spanish.
2. **Every day, HEAR IT!** Watch a video. Change the subtitles on your DVDS, watch a novela, listen to music, and watch a foreign film on Netflix.
3. **Every day, SPEAK IT!**

### Tips for Success on the AP Spanish Exam

Here is how one teacher describes the exam: "...a 3-4 hour skill-based exam testing your abilities and proficiency in Spanish. It is **not** a knowledge-based exam like most other AP exams. You are "on stage" in Spanish for over 3 hours integrating all four of your skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing."

The first tip is to know what you are up against by familiarizing yourself with the AP Spanish Language Exam format on the next page of this packet. The exam requires critical, integrated expression in Spanish which will require you to focus for 3+ hours.

In this time you will read, write, listen and record a simulated conversation and an improvised two-minute formal oral presentation. In the presentation you will **read** a short selection, then you will **listen** to a different spoken selection. You are given 2 minutes to organize your thoughts about these two selections and then you **speak** for 2 minutes integrating the two selections into your recorded monologue. You must show analysis, synthesis and evaluation of the selections to receive a 4 or 5. In order to be well prepared by next May, you will need to have self-discipline and dedication as this class will be treated and taught as if it were a college course.

Some other things you can do in the summer and throughout the year:

1. Watch Univisión or other Spanish programming on TV. News programs like "Primer impacto" or "Noticiero" are especially useful. Also, watch DVDs in Spanish or actual Spanish movies. Don't try to understand every word at first. You will get better.
2. Listen to Spanish music on the internet or listen to podcasts in Spanish. There are numerous podcasts for learning and some designed for entertainment. [www.notesinspanish.com](http://www.notesinspanish.com) is a good source for entertainment and discussion of current topics.
3. Seek out "live" experiences with Spanish in your community. Keep your eyes open for cultural events or local service organizations that appeal to Spanish speakers and get involved. You may also have co-workers that speak Spanish. Take advantage of them and practice!

**CONTRACT 1- STUDENT**

**AP Spanish Language and Culture Agreement**

\_\_\_ I have read and understand the assigned summer assignments for the AP Spanish Language and Culture Course

\_\_\_ I understand that if I do not turn in the assignment, I will receive a zero for each item that is missing.

\_\_\_ I understand the Honor Code and promise to adhere to it.

\_\_\_ I understand that the teacher can choose to give a zero on the assignment if she suspects the use of google translate.

\_\_\_ I understand that this class moves at a quick pace and I will take responsibility for my learning and success.

\_\_\_ I understand that daily practice, including listening to the radio/pod-casts from various parts of the world, the news, music, movies, etc., speaking with as many people as possible, speaking only Spanish in-class, reading magazines, newspapers, articles, subtitles with videos/movies in Spanish, and writing as much in Spanish as possible, is very important in order to be prepared and comfortable in the class and on the day of the test.

\_\_\_ I understand that we will also have weekly presentations of news stories from around the Spanish-speaking world. Each student will present to the class, on a rotating basis of weekly to every few weeks.

\_\_\_ I understand that since we take responsibility for our own learning, we will take the time to get our own practice outside of class with speaking, listening (subscribe to Pod-casts in Spanish), reading, and writing.

\_\_\_ I understand that all of my work will be my own; I will not copy from others or from the Internet without citing properly and prior teacher authorization.

\_\_\_ I understand that I will take the time and initiative to make sure I understand everything; when I don't, I'll ask questions to other students and the teacher and come for help.

\_\_\_ I understand my responsibilities as outlined above and agree to make an honest and complete effort to become more able to communicate effectively in Spanish and succeed on the AP Spanish Language Exam in May.

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**\* Student signature      \* Today's date      \* Student's email**

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**Parent's signature**

**Contract is Due BY Friday, May 17th 2024**