

# Valley Oaks Charter School

## 2013-2014 Spanish 3 Course Syllabus

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**Course Description:** Level 3 Spanish will involve review of many grammatical concepts learned in levels 1 and 2. It will emphasize the subjunctive mood and the perfect tenses. The class will be conducted in Spanish. Students will be expected to interact in Spanish every day. Homework will also be given daily.

**Course Objectives:** At the end of this course, students will be able to:

- 1) Listen and respond to spoken Spanish demonstrating comprehension and capability of answering accurately.
- 2) Write short and long paragraphs.
- 3) Read with comprehension written texts and be able to respond accurately.
- 4) Converse in Spanish over topics covered during the school year.
- 5) Understand Hispanic culture as presented in the chapters covered during the year.

**Textbook:** Realidades 3 Textbook, Workbook and Leveled Vocabulary and Grammar Workbook 2011. Pearson Hall.

**Course Materials:** Student must bring a good attitude, a binder with paper, pen, red pen for correcting and a Spanish/English dictionary.

**Grading:** 40% Exams and Quizzes; 10% Participation; 40% Home and Class Work, 10% Projects and Presentations. 10% of the Home and Classwork is from the Parent's Log.

**Note:** Not all assignments will be graded. Students should always do the assignments as they will not know beforehand what will or will not be graded.

**Extra Credit:** For each exam, students are encouraged to prepare note cards identifying the vocabulary and grammar concepts of the section of the textbook assessed. The cards are to be turned in the day of the exam and are not used for it. Late note cards are not accepted. The notecards are worth 5% of the exam value and no partial credit will be given.

**Attendance:** Student participation is necessary for language learning and it is accomplished when students are present in class. In the case of an absence, students are expected to get assignments and complete them in the allotted time according to the days absent. Students are not allowed to make up quizzes or tests in the case of an unexcused absence. Students arriving late to class will not be allowed to make up a quiz at the beginning of class.

**Homework:** Homework is graded primarily for completion. A check is an assignment completed. A check minus is partially completed and a 0 is an assignment not done.

**Classroom Rules:**

- 1) Do not chew gum. Gum chewing will affect the participation grade.
- 2) No late work excepted unless it is an excused absence.
- 3) Students are expected to come to class prepared with all their materials. If they do not it will affect their participation grade.
- 4) Student are to respect others. They are not to interrupt, criticize or laugh at their classmates.
- 5) Students are not to copy others assignments nor exams. Cheating will result in a 0 and parents will be contacted.

**Student Success:** I want the students to do very well in my classes. Come for tutoring in order to receive help on assignments and lessons. Tutoring is on Thursdays from 8:00-12:00 in the tutoring rooms. Use the resource sheet handed out the first day of school to review power points and online exercises related to the sections studied. One of my favorite professors says in class on the first day "Take care of the learning and the grade will take care of itself."

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Student Signature

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Date

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Parent Signature

