NORCO HIGH SCHOOL COURSE DESCRIPTION and EXPECTATIONS Spanish 2A/2B

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COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES:

This course will provide the student with the continued understanding and development of the Spanish language, which include reading, speaking, listening, and writing. Students will become familiar with general grammar rules and vocabulary used in diverse settings. Students will also be introduced to the different dialects/vocabulary terms that are understood and recognized in Spanish-speaking countries. Students will be introduced to several other relevant issues of the Hispanic/Latino culture: history, traditions, and customs. This course is communication based and emphasizes collaborative and communicative activities within the areas of listening, speaking, reading, writing, culture, and learning skills.

In order to guarantee every student in my classroom the excellent learning climate they deserve I am utilizing the following Discipline Plan.

MY PHILOSOPHY:

I believe students can behave appropriately and learn in my classroom. I will not tolerate any student stopping me from teaching and /or prevent any student from learning.

EXPECTATIONS:

- 1. Respeto/Respect
 - a. Respect self, classmates, teacher, etc. at all times.
- 2. Responsabilidad/Responsibility
 - a. Take responsibility for your actions and complete the class assignments.
- 3. Escuchar/Listen
 - a. Listen with intent to understand. One person speaks and the others listen.
- 4. Participación/Participation
 - a. Participation is not only encouraged it is required of all students.
- 5. Reglas escolares/School Rules
 - a. School rules established by administration and our school district will be followed.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at the information located at the top of this syllabus. (For best method please email and generally you will receive a response within a 24-hour period.)

GRADING POLICY:

Assignments need to be turned in on time; tests and quizzes are to be completed on the date given. If a student is absent to class, they will be given the same amount of time to make up the missing assignments. (If a student misses 3 days, they will have 3 additional days to complete the assignments.) Assigned work will also be posted digitally to **Google Classroom** for each class.

Breakdown of grading categories:

Your grade is a result of what you put into this class and is something that <u>you earn</u>, not something that <u>I give</u>. Therefore, your grade is a reflection of the choice you have made. If you choose to work hard, follow the rules, participate, and practice, then it will be reflected in what you earn.

Coursework:

Include but not limited to participation (Interpersonal communication), Spanish speaking with the teacher and classmates, completion of class work, homework. A notebook is also required for the class. (Each student is required to keep a notebook for this class. This notebook will include class notes, vocabulary terms per chapter, activities, etc. and should be a single subject composition notebook of at least 80 to 100 pages.)

Assessments:

Include but not limited to Vocabulary Quizzes, Grammar quizzes, Oral Proficiency Checks, Chapter Tests and Projects.

Final Evaluations:

Cumulative final tests are given at the end of the semester and will evaluate: Vocabulary, Grammar, Writing, Reading, Listening, and Speaking.

Grading Scale:

90%-100% *A* 80%-89% B 70%-79% *C* 60%-69% D 59.99%-↓ F



Please read the following, sign and return to class.

I have received, reviewed, and understand the content of this course syllabus, including the class

expectations. Print Student Name Student Signature _____ Print Parent Name Parent Signature _____ Dear Parents: From time to time, our class may have the opportunity to watch videos, short clips and/or movies in Spanish. The movies that will be viewed are for educational purposes, to review class topics or during cultural celebrations, such as Day of the Dead and Cinco de Mayo. Occasionally, movies rated PG will be viewed. In order for your child to be able to watch a PG rated movie at school, a permission slip must be signed by the parent or guardian. Please complete the form and return with your child. This form will be kept on file for the remainder of the school year and only be used for purposes of viewing videos in this class. I give permission to watch the PG movies. _____I do not grant permission to watch the PG movies. Parent Signature_____ From time to time pictures will be taken in class; small videos recorded that may be shared within my classes. These may include class projects, presentations and student created material. _____I give permission for my child's likeness to be included. ____I do not grant permission for my child's likeness to be included. Parent Signature_____