

## Spanish III Syllabus

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### **Course Philosophy:**

Spanish III expands the student's knowledge of vocabulary and grammatical expression to converse in Spanish on practical topics. It provides the student with the opportunity to review the grammatical concepts while providing depth to his/her own understanding of Spanish. Focus is on writing paragraphs or short essays as well as cultural vignettes.

### **Course Objectives:**

By the end of Spanish III a student should be able to...

1. Orally communicate his/her basic needs and desires in many situations of daily life.
2. Create with language.
3. Understand spoken Spanish in a variety of contexts when spoken clearly and at a moderate rate of speech.
4. Understand written Spanish with the aid of a dictionary (newspaper, ads, etc.)
5. Understand the Bible with the use of a dictionary.
6. Quote selected Bible verses with a good accent.
7. Participate in progressively more challenging conversations.
8. Use the past, present, and future tenses with confidence.

### **Course Requirements:**

Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of Spanish II with a "B" or better.

**Required Materials for Class:** Students: Please plan to be prepared for each class meeting! You should have in class with you each day your Ipad, pens/highlighter, textbook, workbook, and a 3-ring binder (with plastic sleeve in the front) in which you will organize quizzes, exams, vocabulary handouts, and returned assignments with tabs. Your 3-ring binder IS important for this class so make sure you have it daily! The material, if properly organized, will help you review for tests and quizzes. It is important for you to keep all of your papers in this binder. IT MUST BE A 3 RING BINDER and not a folder. I will also ask that you acquire several phone numbers of classmates so that if you "forget" the assignment, you can call one of your amigos! PLEASE UNDERSTAND that it is YOUR responsibility to find out what you missed on ANY day that you may be absent! If you must be out of the classroom, FIND OUT WHAT YOU MISSED BEFORE you return!! If you must be out of the classroom due to a school related activity (i.e. sports, student government, drama, field trip), you must get the work AHEAD OF TIME AND TURN IT IN before you leave for the activity. If the work is turned in after the due date, it WILL BE counted as a ZERO!

Assignments are posted on RENWEB, or I can always be reached at home. NO EXCUSES FOR NOT KNOWING WHAT THE HOMEWORK IS OR WHAT WE DID IN CLASS!!!! It is YOUR responsibility!!!

**Grading:** Grading will be based on weekly quizzes, weekly bible verses, end of chapter exams, homework, oral participation and in-class assignments. Quizzes, bible verses and/or exams MUST be taken ahead of time before a sports event, etc. Failure to do so will result in a zero. Spanish must be spoken at all times!!!! Points will be deducted from your overall grade if English is spoken without permission.

**Oral Participation:** Oral participation is an important part of developing communication skills. At the end of every semester students will receive an Oral Assessment Grade out of 200 points where they are graded after they have a 3-5 minute conversation with the teacher.

**Conduct:** Active contribution and participation is expected from each and every student (in Spanish). Disruptive or disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated. Reading "outside" material during this class or working on assignments for another class during our class time is NOT acceptable. This behavior can also result in a deduction of participation points. The final decision on participation points is your instructor's.

**Note:** All policies in the BCHS handbook will be enforced. Therefore, no gum, food, drinks other than water, and no hats for boys will be permissible. All students should be prepared to work and be in their seats when the bell sounds. Anyone not in his/her seat will be marked tardy.

**Cheating Policy:**

Cheating on any quizzes, exams, assignments, or projects will result in a grade of zero. Plagiarism is considered cheating. Having the computer translate an assignment (all or part) for you is cheating. Please be mindful of this and do your own work. You will be writing essays in this class. It is through your own efforts that you learn the most. The use of human or computer translators on essays are strictly prohibited and will earn a zero.  
\* There is no do-over for cheating. Please do not copy from other students! Both the "cheater" and the "cheatee" will lose credit for the assignment.

**Cell phones** will be placed in a specific location at the beginning of each class period and may not be used in class. Students may retrieve their cell phones when the bell rings at the end of the class period.

**Assignments:** Assignments are due at the beginning of the class period. Late assignments will only be accepted with a merit pass. Assigned essays must be typed and double spaced. Correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation will be required. Complete sentences are expected on all homework assignments.

\*On assignments where you just need to input the correct verb tense, write out the complete sentence and highlight the verb tenses.

**Course Text and Reference Materials:**

Realidades Tres by Prentice Hall; Realidades Tres Workbook, Teacher Resource materials;