**Spanish 1 Class Expectations**

**Mrs. Kathy Thomas**

**September 1, 2014**

**Your son or daughter is in the Spanish 1 course this year. This is a core course and will meet every day. This course will meet the New York State Foreign Language requirement for high school graduation. After successful completion of this course, students will receive the one high school credit needed for graduation.**

**To be successful in this course, students need to:**

* **Maintain good attendance**
* **Come to class prepared to class daily**
* **Participate in the target language daily and do classwork**
* **Prepare for tests and quizzes**
* **Do the homework which I assigned on a regular basis, and it is due the following day. Points will be deducted if handed in late.**
* **Respect the environment and each other**
* **Ask for help when needed**

**Text: En Espanol 1b by McDougal-Littell 2004**

**Materials:**

**Students need pens or pencils, a binder or spiral notebook, and a 2 pocket folder for Spanish class. Vocabulary lists and packets will be provided for each unit and should be kept in the folder.**

**Supplemental instructional materials:**

* **Worksheets and packets**
* **Vocabulary lists**
* **Cultural readings and DVD’S**
* **Computer activities**
* **Websites:** [**www.quizlet.com**](http://www.quizlet.com)**,** [**www.classzone.com**](http://www.classzone.com)**, and** [**www.mrsthomasspanish.weebly.com**](http://www.mrsthomasspanish.weebly.com) **.**

**Grading policy:**

**Homework 20%**

**-completed and on time 100**

**Late or poorly done 65**

**Not submitted 0**

**Grading policy:**

**Quizzes 20%**

* **Given on a regular basis with prior knowledge**
* **Must be made up as soon as possible or a 0 will be given. It is the student’s responsibility to make arrangements with the teacher to make up missed work.**

**Tests 20%**

* **Given twice within a ten week marking period**
* **Must be made up as soon as possible. The student needs to make arrangements with the teacher.**

**Projects 20%**

* **At least one per marking period**
* **Late projects lose points**

**Participation and Classwork 20%**

* **Students are expected to participate in class.**

**It is very important to pay attention and participate in class. It is necessary to do the assigned homework that reinforces and practices skills presented in the classroom.**

**In order to have a positive and successful learning environment it is necessary for students to act in an appropriate manner. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary consequences.**

**I hope this yea will be successful for your son or daughter as he or she continues to explore a new language and its culture.**

**If at any time you feel the need to contact me, please don’t hesitate to call the high school at 642-8351 or e mail me at** **kthomas@nvcs.atier.org** **. My website is** [**www.mrsthomasspanish.weebly.com**](http://www.mrsthomasspanish.weebly.com) **.**

**I have read the Spanish 1 class expectations.**

**Student’s signature:**

**Parent’s signature:**

**Parent’s e-mail:**

**Parent’s phone number:**