

**TRUDY PALMER****SPANISH II CLASS DESCRIPTION**

Welcome to my Spanish class!

*Time: 5th Period, 3pm - 4:30 pm*

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

I look forward to a year of conversation, culture, and fun! I do expect my students to work on Spanish at least 15 to 30 minutes daily since we only meet on Fridays, and practice is crucial when learning a foreign language.

The book for Spanish II is actually a beginning college textbook, so I keep a classroom set that students check out and use throughout the year and return at the end of May.

The books are out-of-print and can be quite expensive, even as used copies, which often pop up on the Internet. There are two books – one is the smaller grammar book, which begins our study of grammar for the unit, and the other is a larger conversational book using the grammar concepts in dialogues representing real-life situations. Sometimes I am short a few books or some become “lost” by students, so I then will make copies of each unit in advance for those who do not have the actual books in their possession.

Both books can be worked on independently, and students can actually teach themselves with this format, even working with other classmates to practice oral work over the phone. At times, I will ask students to read and study ahead of me as it often helps them to pre-read the material before we actually use the language in class. I also ask them to read and speak out loud when they are working on their homework so that they “hear” themselves speaking a foreign language.

This program is designed to help students attain a desired second- year level of proficiency in four basic skills – speaking, listening, reading, and writing.

We will cover each chapter in two to three weeks with cultural projects, parties, and tests mingled in throughout the year. Each student will keep a binder with assignment pages, daily work, tests, cultural information pages, and projects included. It will be graded each semester and serve as a major letter grade. The tab under course descriptions has a page detailing the contents and order of the Spanish binder.

The supply fee helps to cover the cost of the various specialty foods I purchase as part of the “fiestas” we celebrate quite frequently in class. I want to introduce them to traditional foods, and I am blessed to have made connections with caterers and bakeries who provide me with traditional Oaxacan Mexican food for our November 1st celebration and specialty breads for both “Day of the Dead” and “Three Kings’ Day.”

I want the students to understand the culture and heritage of our nearest foreign neighbors.

Encourage your family members to join in our study of the Spanish language and Hispanic culture!

**About Trudy Palmer’s Classes**

My class tuition is \$70 per month per student if paying monthly. There is a nice discount if you pay for the first semester at registration and the entire second semester in January. A discount also applies if you pay for the whole year in August. **Please see the “Tuition Discounts” section below.**

If you decide to remove your student(s) before the end of the semester, tuition for the entire semester is still required. I will order the books for you and will use and distribute additional copies of supplementary material throughout the year as needed.

**Writing I & II and CWS fees:**

The class book use/supply fee is \$120 per student to cover all of the materials to be distributed/used throughout the year.

This year, the CWS books will consist of a classroom set and a flash drive that the students will use during the year and return at the end of May.

The book/supply fee of \$120 is not refundable once you register.

**Spanish I & II fees:**

Monthly Tuition: \$70

Supply Fee \$120 (non-refundable)

**Tuition Discounts:**

Basically, paying the semester or yearly fee gives you one month free.

**Optional Plans are as Follows:**

- 9 monthly payments or
- 2 semester payments or
- 1 yearly payment

One student/class

- \$70 each month or
- \$280 (Aug. & Jan.) or
- \$560 (Aug.)

Two students/classes

- \$140 each month
- \$560 (Aug. & Jan.)
- \$1120 (Aug.)

Three students/classes

- \$210 each month
- \$840 (Aug. & Jan.)
- \$1,680 (Aug.)

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