

Welcome to Leewood's Bilingual Department! We, Sra. Cosculluela and Sra. Talavera, are the Spanish teachers at Leewood. We are very excited about teaching your child and working with you to make this year a successful and productive one.

Leewood has two Spanish programs. Spanish-S for Spanish Speakers and Spanish-SL for Spanish as a Second Language. Through both programs, your child will be learning listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in Spanish according to their level.

Below you will find useful information for the 2009-2010 school year.

I. Spanish classes:

Sra. Cosculluela's classes are:

1st, 2nd and 3rd grade-Spanish-S

4th and 5th grade-Spanish-SL

Sra. Talavera's classes are:

Kinder, 4th and 5th grade-Spanish-S

2nd and 3rd grade-Spanish-SL

II. **Materials: (See also School Supply List)**

The following materials are needed for Spanish class:

- One duotang folder with two pockets
- Two sharpened pencils
- Wide-Ruled paper clipped in the folder

Kindergarten needs handwriting paper clipped inside their folder.

III. Homework:

Homework will be assigned weekly. It will be a clear reflection and repetition of the objectives taught in class. Your child should be able to do the homework on their own regardless **if you speak Spanish or not**. Please review the homework with your child for added practice. Tests and quizzes will be based on the homework. Assignments will only be accepted one day late for a C.

IV. Grades:

Please check the electronic gradebook periodically to view your child's progress in Spanish class. The breakdown for the Spanish grade is as follows:

Homework 10%

Participation 20%

Classwork 20%

Projects 10%

Tests 40%

V Agenda:

This is the best way to communicate with us. Please check and sign the agenda daily. Here you will find homework assignments and any other information regarding your child. You can also correspond with us through the agenda anytime.

VI Book Reports:

Beginning in second grade through fifth grade, Spanish book reports are due at the end of every month. Visit our reading rainbow for more information and book report forms. Book reports are due the last Tuesday of every month starting in October.

VII. Hispanic Heritage:

Hispanic Heritage month is celebrated in October. More information about this will be coming soon.