

El español es un Tesoro que conservarás toda tu vida



Hello Dear Parents,

Welcome to Second grade. My name is Sra. Tavares and I will be your child's teacher this year. Second grade is an incredible adventure, filled with wonderful activities and experiences. Your child will have fun with science experiments and math investigations, he/she will make new friends, read fantastic books, learn how to be a much more independent learner, and on top of it all your child will be experiencing the great opportunity of learning a new language.

My main goal as a teacher is to present to students as many opportunities as possible to become proficient in the Spanish language without sacrificing the child's academic performance. As we work together this year, in support of one another, your child will benefit in many ways. For many students success can be just a matter of motivation or confidence. Instilling confidence in students is my most unique skill and is part of a process that creates a healthy educational relationship. This relationship, and the learning environment in which it develops, has a proven track record of building confident, motivated students and achieving positive results in the process of learning a language.

I have high expectations for each and every one of my students. I expect that my students will:

1. **Come prepared and be on time**
2. **Be responsible for themselves, their actions, and their belongings**
3. **Give their best effort**
4. **Follow the school and class rules**

As you know, being in the Spanish Immersion program requires hard work and discipline. I teach the core curriculum in Spanish, so the English part of the curriculum needs to be done at home. Here are some things that you ought to do to help your child succeed.

- ✓ **Make sure your child is reading at least 20 minutes in English and 10 min in Spanish each night**
- ✓ **Help him/her and correct the weekly English packet**
- ✓ **Help him/her to study his/her spelling words**
- ✓ **Remind your child to read the Spanish book at least once a day**

Course Description

The curriculum is based on the Second Grade Utah State Core Curriculum, you can view it at <http://www.uen.org/core/>

Absences and Tardiness children who attend school regularly do better and enjoy school more than those who do not have regular attendance. Students are expected to arrive and be ready for school on time. Students have the number of the school days that they were absent to complete and turn in make-up work.

Homework

Every Monday the student will take a homework packet home he/she will work on it during the week (about 15 min a day) the student will turn in their homework the next Friday.

Homework is essential element in your child's learning. I expect students to do their best on each assignment.

Birthday Parties: This is your child's day to show off. This day you are welcome to come and highlight your child's talents, interests, hobbies and abilities. You can bring some of his favorite toys, pictures or movies from his favorite vacation, anything that makes your child feel special. You may bring or send treats of any kind but it is not required. Treats must come as pre-packaged items.

Volunteers: I love any and all help. If you are wondering where your services may be needed. Please call the room mother for ideas on how to help in the classroom.

School Supplies Lists 2nd

For the student

- 1 small backpack Please **do not** send rolling or big backpacks,
- 1 Mini dry erase whiteboard
- 1 pkg. thin dry erase markers
- 1 rectangular pencil box (plastic seems to hold up best)

Donations for the classroom

To help defer the cost of classroom supplies it would be greatly appreciated if you would please send \$10.00 with your child. The money will be used for, science projects, art projects and to buy classroom supplies.

I am looking forward to meeting you at our "Back to School Night" on Monday, August 19th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM

Thank you so much for your support,
Spanish Immersion second Grade teacher
Teresa Tavares

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Please cut, sign and send this portion of the document back to school with your child

I have read and understand the content of Sra. Tavares' disclosure document

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____