

Course information and grading policy

German Levels I-IV

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Discipline / Tardiness / Attendance

District and school policies/regulations are detailed in the school handbook

Food / Drink

No eating food, no drinking, no chewing gum in class.

Make-up Work

Attendance is mandatory. Unexcused absence results in a zero for all work missed. Excused absence: All homework and/or class work must be turned in within three days of return to class.

Makeup of Weekly (Friday) quizzes will be given after school on the Tuesday following the missed exam. Arrange transportation/ pickup or plan on riding the activity bus.

Materials

Students must bring their ,textbook, planner and writing materials to class every day. **Do not write in textbooks.**

Weekly Friday Tests 50-100 Points

Content--grammar, culture, readings, and communicative items.

Format--multiple choice, true/false, correct/wrong, matching, fill-in, short question and answer, translation, and essay. Weekly tests are given on Fridays or the last day of the school week. Practice quizzes, with test items from the actual Friday tests, are available on line. Links to, and passwords and instructions for taking practice quizzes are available at my web site:

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Quizzes 10-50 Points

Content and format the same as major test, but shorter in length. These are both announced and unannounced.

Homework

Homework is assigned on a regular basis , and completion is required. It will be checked weekly for credit. No credit is given if the assignment is less than 1/2 completed. No credit will be given if the assignment is copied or not completed according to general format and specific instructions. Homework is posted daily at my web site...

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Cheating

When a test is being given, all desks will be completely cleared except for test or quiz material, which will remain on the desk until is collected. Any visible written material will constitute a "cheat sheet". Copying of any homework or class work will be considered cheating. If any of the above conditions are committed by a student, the student will receive a zero for the test, quiz, or work.

Grading Policy

The grading system is based in an accumulation of points for successfully completing classroom activities, including tests, quizzes, class work, and homework. To determine a student's grade, the total earned points are divided by the total number of possible points for the marking period. This provides the numeric average. For example, 400 earned points divided by 500 possible points would be a letter grade of "B". The number of possible points will vary for each marking period. Activities' point values will reflect their importance. Listed below are the point value range for various activities:

Grade Scale

A = 90 -100 B = 80-89 C =70 -79 D = 60-69

Extra Credit

Students can earn a nominal number of bonus points through various activities including: "Dowling-ball" games, on-line activities and correctly answering bonus questions on quizzes and exams.