

CLASSROOM RULES

1. STUDENTS WILL FOLLOW ALL RULES ESTABLISHED IN THE PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK.
2. A STUDENT WILL BE CONSIDERED TARDY WHEN NOT SEATED IN ASSIGNED SEAT WITH MATERIALS PREPARED AND READY TO WORK WHEN THE TARDY BELL RINGS.
3. NO EATING, DRINKING, GUM CHEWING OR PERSONAL GROOMING IN CLASS.
4. USE TIME WISELY AND APPROPRIATELY. NO OTHER COURSE WORK SHOULD BE DONE WHILE ITALIAN CLASS IS IN SESSION.
5. RESPECT AND COURTESY WILL BE EXHIBITED TO THE TEACHER AND FELLOW STUDENTS AT ALL TIMES.

CONSEQUENCES

If you choose to break school rules and/or class rules and regulations, a Violation will be issued.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Honors Italian 4 Language and Culture course is the capstone course in Italian, offered at the same level as AP programs in other world languages. Its intent is to provide a rigorous academic opportunity to qualified 4th year students. The course is conducted in Italian. Students are encouraged to use Italian at all times in the classroom. The class is geared toward the development of the students' ability to use the language in a variety of culturally-appropriate communicative tasks in all three modes of communication: interpersonal, interpretive and presentational. It offers students an opportunity to further develop their reading, writing, speaking and comprehension skills of the Italian language and culture. The overall educational goals for the class are:

Goal One: Advance communication in Italian

Goal Two: Strengthen knowledge and understanding of the Italian culture

Goal Three: Connect with Other Disciplines and Acquire Information

Goal Four: Develop Insight into the Nature of Language and Culture

Goal Five: Participate in Communities at Home and Around the World

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

1. Ponti Italiano Terzo Millennio, Third Edition TEXTBOOK (with CD)
2. Ponti Italiano Terzo Millennio, Third Edition Student Activities Manual
3. A three-ring binder with three ring punched paper
4. Supplies for taking notes; Number 2 pencils, blue or black pen, a red pen and a set of colored marker pens or pencils (for class projects).

HOMEWORK EXPECTATIONS

1. Students can expect daily homework. Examples:
 - o Exercises from Ponti Student Activities Manual or Grammar and Vocabulary Worksheets or CDs
 - o Reading Assignments or Project Assignments

WRITTEN WORK EXPECTATIONS

1. Written Assignments from Ponti Student Activities Manual or other written assignments on pre-printed forms should be printed neatly. **Points will be deducted for illegible penmanship.**

GRADING POLICY

1. Grades are assigned on the basis of accumulation of points. Points are assigned to a student's work on the following basis:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Points per item</u>
Final Examination	150-200
Chapter Exams	50-65
Projects	25-75
Semester Projects	100-150
Class work (collected randomly)	10-20
Quizzes	20-40
Homework	10-20
QUADERNO DI LAVORO (per page)	5
Grammar/Vocabulary or other worksheets (per page)	5

Note: Class participation is extremely important in this class and will be another source of student assessment. Specific information on class participation will be described separately in class.

2. The total possible points at the end of each marking period or semester will be used to assign letter grades according to the following scale:

<u>Percent of total points</u>	<u>Letter Grade</u>
97-100%	A+
93-96	A
90-92	A-
87-89	B+
83-86	B
80-82	B-
77-79	C+
73-76	C
70-72	C-
67-69	D+
63-66	D
60-62	D-
Below 60	Fail

3. Assignments are due on the assigned due date. POINTS WILL BE DEDUCTED FOR LATE HOMEWORK AND ASSIGNMENTS.
4. It is the student's responsibility to obtain and make up any work missed due to an excused absence (illness, medical appointment, funeral).
5. NO CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN FOR LATE HOMEWORK OR MISSED EXAMS DUE TO UNEXCUSED ABSENCES.
6. No credit will be given for assignments that are completed through the use of computer based translation programs. This is considered an infraction of the cheating policy outlined in the Parent/Student Handbook.
7. Student athletes and those involved in various extra-curricular activities (all planned absences) must be cleared PRIOR to the event.
8. Students are to bring their textbook and workbook to class every day. I will do frequent checks and will deduct 2 points from the next quiz or test for each time the student is not prepared for class and does not bring one of the required materials. HALL PASSES WILL NOT BE ISSUED FOR STUDENTS TO GO TO THEIR LOCKERS TO RETRIEVE CLASS MATERIALS.
9. SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON BATHROOM PASSES WILL BE EXPLAINED IN CLASS DURING THE FIRST FEW DAYS OF THE SEMESTER.

TEACHER AVAILABILITY:

Room 112 – Monday – Friday – 7:15-8:00 A.M. - Or by appointment.

BISHOP MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL
Honors Italian 4 – Course Syllabus
2014-2015 Academic Year
Ms. Reano – Room 112

SPECIAL MESSAGE TO PARENTS:

I hope that you have taken the time to read these course requirements. Please remain informed with regard to your son's/daughter's progress. Please be aware of any problems or concerns, and communicate any needs to me or contact the Counseling Office. I can be reached via e mail at lreano@bmhs-la.org.

Please sign and return this document to me by **Friday, August 29, 2014**. Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Linda Reano

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We, the undersigned, have read and understood the course requirements
for Honors Italian 4, 2014-2015.

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Student Name

Student Signature

Date

Home Phone:_____

Parent/Guardian Work Phone:_____

Parent/Guardian Email Address:_____