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Dear Parents,

I would like to tell you a little about myself and my goals for the after school Spanish Program at Portage Collaborative Montessori School.

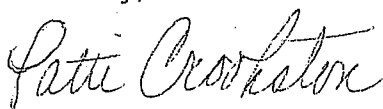
My name is Patti Crookston. I retired in June after teaching Spanish for 35 years at Jackson High School. During my tenure there, I taught all levels of Spanish. However, my favorite classes have always been the beginning levels. I graduated from Akron University and pursued a masters in education from Ashland University. Also I attended college at ITESO in Guadalajara, Mexico for a summer session. I have since made 3 trips to Mexico and visited many locations.

It is my desire to create a program that is in line with the Ohio State Standards for Foreign Languages. This would be a definite advantage for your child if they will be taking Spanish in high school. I'd like to challenge your child to learn all that they can while still having fun. Some of the activities I'd like to incorporate would be culture, games, songs, music, skits, crafts and dance. There will be homework to further enforce what was learned in class. Please encourage your child to do it.

If for any reason you need to contact me about a concern you might have about the class or your child, please feel free to do so by calling my home (330-837-3139) or e-mailing me at PCrookston53@hotmail.com.

I am looking forward to teaching your children and opening their eyes to Hispanic culture and language.

Sincerely,



Patti Crookston

SEÑORA CROOKSTON'S CLASS GUIDELINES

1. TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE TREATED.
2. RESPECT OTHERS AND THEIR THINGS.
3. PAY ATTENTION.
4. RAISE YOUR HAND BEFORE SPEAKING.
5. BE PREPARED.
6. PARTICIPATE.
7. HAVE FUN EXPLORING THE SPANISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE!!!

HOW TO CONTACT MRS. CROOKSTON...

IN THE SCHOOL'S LIBRARY
BEFORE OR AFTER OUR
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

BY PHONE: (330)
837-3139

BY E-MAIL:
PCrookston53@hotmail.com

HOW TO GET YOUR ASSIGNMENTS...

ON OUR WEBSITE:
www.portagemontessori.com/spanish/spanish.htm

BY ASKING MRS.
CROOKSTON

CONTACTING MRS.
CROOKSTON BY PHONE OR
E-MAIL

HOW TO SUCCEED IN SPANISH CLASS:

1. ESTABLISH A DEFINITE PLACE TO REVIEW THAT IS FREE FROM OUTSIDE DISTRACTIONS AND IS PROPERLY LIT.
2. ESTABLISH A DEFINITE TIME SO YOU CAN GO OVER YOUR NOTES AND VOCAB DAILY.
3. DIVIDE YOUR INFORMATION YOU WANT TO LEARN INTO SMALL AMOUNTS OF MATERIAL SO AS NOT TO BE OVERWHELMED.
4. USE THE RESOURCES PROVIDED TO YOU IN CLASS.
5. SEE MRS. CROOKSTON WHENEVER YOU FEEL YOU ARE LOST AND NEED EXTRA HELP.
6. PARTICIPATE AND HAVE FUN!

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BIENVENIDOS A LA CLASE DE ESPAÑOL DE LA SEÑORA CROOKSTON





MATERIALS NEEDED FOR THE CLASS:

PAPER
WRITING UTENSIL
3 RING BINDER (provided)
HOMEWORK
ASSIGNMENTS

IF YOU LOSE YOUR
BINDER OR
HOMEWORK,
PLEASE TELL MRS.
CROOKSTON
IMMEDIATELY, SO
SHE CAN
REPLACE THEM
FOR YOU.

YOU MUST BRING
YOUR BINDER AND
SUPPLIES ALL YEAR
LONG.

GRADING POLICIES

THERE WILL NOT BE
GRADES ASSIGNED TO
HOMEWORK OR
ASSIGNMENTS BUT
THEY WILL BE
REVIEWED AND
CHECKED IN CLASS
FOR COMPLETENESS
AND EFFORT.

ANNOUNCED TESTS
WILL BE GIVEN
THROUGHOUT THE
YEAR. HOWEVER, THIS
IS NOT TO BE FOR AN
ASSIGNED GRADE, BUT
RATHER TO CHECK
YOUR CHILD'S
PROGRESS AND
MASTERY.

AT ANY TIME FEEL FREE
TO CONTACT ME TO
ASK ABOUT YOUR
CHILD'S PROGRESS.

PARTICIPATION

PARTICIPATION WILL
INCLUDE BRINGING
MATERIALS TO CLASS,
VOLUNTEERING
ANSWERS IN CLASS,
ANSWERING WHEN
CALLED UPON, GROUP
RESPONSE AND BEING
ATTENTIVE.

PARTICIPATION IN CLASS
IS REQUIRED.

CLASSROOM GUIDELINES

ALL CLASS RULES
THAT ARE IN YOUR
BINDER WILL BE
FOLLOWED.