

*August 2024 – May 2025*

Willkommen

Welcome to German

Welcome to a new and exciting school year. We will be learning many new things together; including how to “do school”. Learning a foreign language can be an adventure, if you let it be. I am ready to be your guide! Let’s have a great year!

 Los geht’s!!

Attached you will find the syllabus for the class. Please use this as a reference.



In a world where you can be anything, be kind!

This year is full of lots of new schedules, plans, and ideas. Let’s make sure we are good to one another. Be helpful. Be kind.

Be the kind of person I know you can be.

 We are in this together!!

**Overall Objective:** To develop proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing German. We will also learn about the similarities and differences in our lives/cultures, in-order to help us better understand the world around us.

*German Class = Deutsch Klasse*

*West Fargo Senior High School*

*Classroom 114E*

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**Expectations:** Learning a language is an adventure, so I don’t want you to be afraid of trying new things. We will try new sounds, new ways of looking at the world, and new tastes! I expect each of you to try, to questions, and to learn. We will do this together. Participation in class is key. Participation, assignments, projects, quizzes, and tests will all earn you points. If you practice your German and work both in class, and on your own, you should do **wunderbar**!

**5 points Ex. Cr.**

Have items

on

day #1 or #2.

**Materials:** You will receive a textbook, a workbook, and other materials.

 **You will need to purchase a 3-ring notebook, lined paper, and a writing utensil.**

 \*I suggest one color for A days and a different color for B days.

**Policies:** For policies, please defer to the Packer Handbook! \*Here are the basics.

 1. Assignments must be thoughtfully completed **prior to the Chapter test**. Once the test is

 taken, missing assignments become zeros. Late work will be graded within 5 days of

 the day it is turned in. Grades will be updated Thursday afternoons. Most assignments

 given in class will be due the next time we are in class together.

**Absence**

If you are absent from class for any reason, YOU are responsible for getting the notes from someone in class. YOU are also responsible for picking up any handouts that were distributed.

**Check Schoology for what we did in class.**

 If you know you are going to be gone in advance, get work from Frau Mulvaney. Also, while you are gone, check Schoology for changes or additions to our schedule.

 If you go “on vacation”, you are responsible for keeping up with the class, and being ready to go when you get back. If there are tests or quizzes while you are on vacation, please try to do them before leaving, otherwise you will need to do them the day of your return to class.

 If you are gone for a sport/activity, you are also responsible for keeping up with the class. Be ready to go when you get back. If there are tests or quizzes when you are going to be absent, please try to do them before leaving, otherwise you will need to do them the day of your return to class.

 2. Cheating is unacceptable. **Whatever you are working on, will receive a zero**.

 \*No using Google Translate, AI, ChatGBT, or other programs unless Ok’d by Mrs. Mulvaney.

 3. Food and beverages are not allowed in the hallways and classrooms.

 4. Seating charts are used to get to know you, organize projects, classroom activities, etc.

 They will be changed at the teacher’s discretion.

5. Cell phones, buds, and ipads are out of sight and not to be used in the classroom.

 \*I will give you one “oops”.\*

 #1. On my desk until end of class.

 #2. Phone goes to the office until end of day.

 #3. Second time in office; Check-in your phone at the beginning of the day & retrieve at

 end of the day.

 #4. Third time in office; Scheduled a meeting with parents; where you MAY get

 your phone back. (This is school policy.)

**Grading:** Everything counts! Homework, quizzes, tests, projects, speaking, etc…….

A = 90 – 100%

B = 80 – 89 %

C = 70 – 79%

D = 60 – 69%

F = 0 – 59%

 Nothing is weighted.

 Semester 1 grade = 50% Quarter 1 + 50% Quarter 2

 Semester 2 grade = 50% Quarter 3 + 50% Quarter 4

**Participation:** You will be taking notes. Studies show that you remember the material better,

 when you hand write your own notes. If you are absent, you will need to get them

 from a classmate. **This is your responsibility!**

 Speaking and listening are part of a language class. Please do both and be polite when

 others are trying their best.

**Resources:** It is your responsibility to check the **Schoology** folder for the class lesson plans.

 Some of your handouts and/or assignments may be there as well.

 **Conjugemous** may be used for vocabulary and grammar practice.

 **Wordreference.com** is a good online dicitionary. It is already on your ipads.