

DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT - JAPANESE 1

TEACHER: GREG PARK

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The objective of this class is to enable each student to use Japanese on a level one competency. The curriculum is an introductory study of general conversation, and reading and writing at a native pre-school level. Japanese history and culture will also be explored through various activities; this sometimes includes a film. With the exception of *Princess Mononoke* (PG13), all films are rated PG or G.

EXPECTATIONS

Students are expected to be **on time** and **prepared** for that day's activities. Participation points given for in class activities will be lost if a student is unable to participate due to lack of preparation. **Electronics of any kind are prohibited.** This includes cell phones, graphing calculators, palm pilots, radio's, stereos, etc. Students are expected to turn these things off and leave them in their lockers or backpacks. Any disturbance caused by electronic devices will result in loss of credit for that day's work and confiscation of the offending device. To further combat this growing problem, **backpacks are not allowed at student desks.** Backpacks must be stored along the wall beneath the side whiteboard. The only items allowed at student desks are those things pertinent to Japanese.

Homework will be assigned every day as it is an important step in the learning process. Students should plan on studying Japanese **every night**, since daily exposure to the language is vital to internalization.

ATTENDANCE AND LATE WORK POLICY

Timpanogos High School's attendance policy will be followed. (See student handbook) Tape and video activities cannot be made up if missed. Likewise, in class group work centered around peer interaction cannot be made up. Quizzes missed because of absences must be made up the day the student returns. Quizzes missed due to tardies receive a 0. All late work will receive 50% for one calendar week. After one week, it receives a 0. Work missed due to excused absences must be made up within one week of the date the student returns to school. If a student is absent when something is due, the assignment must be turned in to me **before** class starts on the day they return. Deadlines are not included.

GRADING

Grades will be determined using a total point system. The number of points a student earns will be divided by the total possible to figure a percentage.

100 - 90 = A 85 - 89 = B+ 75 - 79 = C+ 69 & = F
80 - 84 = B 70 - 74 = C

If a student fails a term he/she can have the F raised to a C by earning 80% or above the following term, and by making up previously unfinished assignments (this to be determined by Mr. Park and the student) This provision will only be allowed **once** to restore lost credit.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Extra credit is available, but can only be used to make up lost participation points.
- Cheating results in an automatic 0 for that assignment. A repeat offense results in an F for the term.

**** Notice****

Students wishing to take Japanese 2 must:

- ~ **pass the Japanese 1 final.**
- ~ **be in the top 50% of all Japanese 1 students**
- ~ **receive approval/recommendation from Mr. Park**

Parent Signature _____ Student Signature _____