**Spanish I and II**

**EdOptions Virtual Academy and Emails:**
Spanish I and II is online this year through EdOptions Virtual Academy. At the beginning of the school year, each student was registered through EdOptions, and in that registration, parents/guardians were set up to receive emails. Please make sure that as the parent/guardian, you are receiving and reading the emails.

**My Role:**

My role for the Spanish I and II is that of a facilitator. The teacher for the Spanish course is an online instructor. His name is Mr. Kaye. He is the teacher to whom the students submit their work, and he is the one who assesses it, and answers questions or concerns from the students. I am in the computer lab every day to answer any questions I can (I do have some Spanish background, albeit limited), and act as a go-between for Mr. Kaye and the students (when necessary), and to make sure that students are on task, and monitor their progress.

I do know that Mr. Kaye emails regularly. If you are not receiving emails from him or from EdOptions Academy, I suggest you go here: <http://academy.platoweb.com/PublicWelcome.aspx>
and log in. You should have received log in instructions via email at the beginning of September.

Mr. Kaye’s email address is: scot.kaye@edmentum.com. He is very good about communicating and answering any questions.

**Grades:**

Your student’s grades can be accessed online at <http://academy.platoweb.com>. There is a gradebook tab that shows your student’s grade in the class, along with his/her pacing. The pacing shows how students are doing in regards to completing assignments in a timely manner. If a student is on pace, the pacing scale will show a 0. If a student is behind, say, 2 assignments, the pacing scale will show a 2. If a student is ahead, say, 2 assignments, the pacing scale will show a -2.

A – in front of a number is not bad; this actually means that your student is working ahead. A regular number means that is how far behind your student is.

**Questions?**

If this is confusing, or you cannot access your account, please don’t hesitate to contact me either via email or phone. If you want a quick update on how your student is doing, please send me an email, and I can get you that information.

Please keep in mind that your student can be working on his/her Spanish from home. Google translator is not allowed, and EdOptions has a very sensitive plagiarism detector, and it is their policy to give a zero to any student caught cheating.

Students must complete all assignments, and pass a final comprehensive exam to pass for the semester. Students can use any hand-written notes on all exams. I have repeatedly encouraged them to take notes and to study nightly to support the retention needed through repetition.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Kaye or me.

Thank you,

Ms. Caler