



AKOTA HIGH SCHOOL

"Focused on Learning"

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Dear Parents:

Hello! I am very excited to be your son or daughter's German teacher this year. I have high expectations for level 4 students and know that they will try their best to learn the language so that they can communicate not only with me but with native German speakers as well. We will continue to fine tune the ever challenging grammar topics of verb conjugation, past tense in speaking and writing, as well as learn fun new vocabulary and additional grammar points. After taking 4 levels of high school German, college bound students should be able to test out 1-2 semesters of German saving both time and money. With that said, **success is dependent on the student**; the time he or she puts into learning and using the language will ultimately determine how well one does on a placement exam. Students in level 4 are also expected to participate in the National German Honor Society if their GPA meets the guidelines. Additional information will be sent home regarding this club in the first couple of weeks of school.

I want all of my students to have confidence in themselves and believe that they are all capable of learning. I will work to instill an understanding of the importance of learning and a lifelong love of learning. Each student will have the opportunity to gain knowledge that will prepare him or her for our diverse society. Each student will be given an opportunity to participate in a positive learning environment, which will enable them to utilize their talents and unique learning styles to reach their fullest potential.

I look forward to working with you and your son or daughter this year. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me via email or phone. Attached, you will find a Student-Teacher-Parent Contract that I would like you and your son/daughter to sign. This indicates to me that you are both committed to a successful school year. You are able to follow your son/daughter's grade progress via PowerSchool. I will do my best to keep grades updated in a timely manner.

Our class website - <http://dhsdeutsch.weebly.com/> - is where I will post helpful website and other important information. I will also ask your son or daughter to sign up for Remind.com, which is a free text-out program. If you would like to sign up, please text the message **@c5c1cb0** to **81010**. Students are required to sign up as helpful reminders will be sent this way. We will also be utilizing Office 365 applications, in particular the school issued email addresses as well as an online classroom application.

Sincerely,

Dawn Wagner

dwagner@cvs.k12.mi.us

Phone: 586.723.2920

Student-Teacher-Parent Contract

Student Name: _____

Return this to class on FRIDAY for 5 points.

Please carefully read the information about the class, its organization, and the assignments. Feel free to ask any clarifying questions prior to signing our contract. Sign your portion of the contract and please have your parent(s) read and sign under their portion of the contract.

I have read and understand the class policies and class work information as described by Frau Wagner in the documents given the students.

As a student, I understand that it is in my best interest to make sure I am a good and productive group member; I will be responsible for:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Showing respect and cooperating with all adults at the school. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Showing respect for people and property. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coming to class on time, prepared to work. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spending time outside of class to complete homework and possible group work. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completing all assignments to the best of my ability. | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Respecting the rights of others to learn without disruption. | |

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Student's Email Address: studentID@cvs.k12.mi.us – you will be required to use this email. I will show you how to link it to other email addresses and your phone (or other electronic device).

As a teacher, I will be responsible for:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Providing instruction in a way that will motivate and encourage my students. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Explaining assignments so that my students have a clear understanding. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Providing a safe and positive atmosphere for learning. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supplying clear evaluations of student progress to students and parents. |

Date: _____

Teacher Signature: _____

As a parent, I will be responsible for:

- ☒ Helping my child in any way possible to meet his/her responsibilities.

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

Parent Preferred Phone #(s) _____

Parent Email Address(es) _____