

American Sign Language 3: High School Level

Grades:	9th – 12th
Prerequisites:	Completion of ASL 2 or equivalent ASL experience
Day of Week:	Wednesday
Time of Class:	3:00- 4:30 pm ET
Length of Course:	30 weeks
Semester:	Fall 2019, Winter 2020, Spring 2020
Tuition:	\$600.00

High School Credit: **1 year of Foreign Language** OR Elective**

** NOTE: Most states and colleges accept ASL as a Foreign Language; however, some do not. Please verify with your state/college you are interested in if they will accept ASL as a Foreign Language Credit.

Class Dates:

Fall

Week 1: September 16

Week 2: September 23

No Classes: September 28 - October 9 (Yom Kippur and Sukkot)

Week 3: October 14

Week 4: October 21

Week 5: October 28

Week 6: November 4

Week 7: November 11

Week 8: November 18

No Classes: November 23 – Thanksgiving Week

Week 9: December 2

Week 10: December 9

Make Up Week: December 16

Winter

Week 1: January 13

Week 2: January 20

Week 3: January 27

Week 4: February 3

Week 5: February 10

Week 6: February 17

Week 7: February 24

Week 8: March 3

Week 9: March 10

Week 10: March 17

Make Up Week: March 24

Spring

Week 1: April 7

Week 2: April 14

Week 3: April 21

Week 4: April 28

Week 5: May 5

Mid-Term Break May 10 - 16 (Eid Al Fitr)

Week 6: May 19

Week 7: May 26

Week 8: June 2

Week 9: June 9

Week 10: June 16

Make Up Week: June 23

Instructor's Name:

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Office Hours:

Mon through Thurs: 9:00 a.m. EST – 10:00 a.m. EST

Description of Class:

Does your child already have basic conversational skills in American Sign Language? This is the class that will cement your child's understanding and fluency of ASL. ASL Level 3 will be conducted *completely* in American Sign Language and students will not have the option to use their microphones in class.

In this course, we will move to advanced ASL storytelling, introductory interpreting, and translation. In addition, students will be assigned projects to translate and interpret on their own. By the end of the class, students should be fluent in ASL and able to converse with a Deaf person they meet in real life.

Class Approach:

The curriculum parallels what we know about language development and second language learning. We focus on introducing language in context and reinforcing what is learned by engaging you into various interactive activities. A conversational curriculum requires you to be an active learner. You need to come prepared to sign with me and other classmates.

Goals:

To complete Signing Naturally Units 13-17. That being said, the schedule is subject to change, based on the progression of the class.

Textbook:

Signing Naturally Level 2: Units 13-17 (with DVD)

Available from Dawn Sign Press

www.dawnsign.com

Additional Supplies/Resources Needed:

DVD included with textbook: Note the DVD is required for this class. If you purchase the textbook used, make sure that the DVD is included.

Requirements:

Class attendance is VITAL to students' success in this class, especially as new signers. While your teacher is your primary resource, students will find that they will learn from each other as well.

Weekly Homework:

There will be three graded homework assignments after each class.

Students will be required to watch videos (included with your textbook) and to produce videos of their own, showing their increasing signing skills as the quarter progresses.

Homework Policy:

Homework should be submitted by the deadline. Please check the assignment details for each project. NOTE: Late homework that is turned in after the next class will be deducted by 50 points. We will go over the previous week's homework at the beginning of each class and it is critical that students complete their assignments before so they can participate in the discussion.

Additional Policies:

Our classes are conducted in American Sign Language (ASL) from the very first day. You are immersed in the language, not including your homework, to maximize your language learning. The teacher will use gestures, signs, drawings and act out situations to get the point across and your job is to keep trying.

Evaluation:

Grades are based on the following:

- Participation Grade: 20% (To get the full 20 points, you must participate in each class session. If you cannot attend classes live, contact me to find out how to earn your participation grade.)
- Homework: 30% (To get the full 30 points, you must complete each homework assignment posted during the year and submit it on time. There will be three graded homework assignments per class.)
- Midterm Exam 25% (The midterm exam will be a one-on-one signed conversation held with me via Jigsaw. Students will be given a list of dates and times to choose from to schedule their exam.)
- Final Exam 25% (The final exam will consist of two parts: a one-on-one signed conversation with me via Jigsaw and an assigned interpreting project. Details will be provided as the course progresses.)

Grading Scale:

Percentages/Grades
100-90: A

89-80:	B
79-70:	C
69-60:	D
59 – 0:	F

Anticipated Weekly Course Schedule:

Week	Topic
Week 1	Syllabus/Units 7-12 Review
Week 2	Unit 13: Describing the Layout of a Home
Week 3	Unit 13: Locating Objects
Week 4	Unit 13: How Many Bedrooms Do You Have?
Week 5	Unit 13: Rearrangements and Renovations
Week 6	Unit 13: Numbers/Fingerspelling Double Letters
Week 7	Unit 13: Where's a Good Place to Shop?
Week 8	Unit 13: The Story Corner/Handshape Stories
Week 9	Unit 13 Review/Unit 14: Asking to Borrow a Truck
Week 10	Unit 14: Inflections for Temporal Aspect
Week 11	Unit 14: Spatial Agreement/Making Requests
Week 12	Unit 14: Clock Numbers/Common Fingerspelled Words
Week 13	Unit 14: The Fortune Teller/The Story Corner/Cheers and Songs
Week 14	Unit 14 Review/Midterm Review
Week 15	MIDTERM
Week 16	Unit 15: Nationalities/Transitions Between Events
Week 17	Unit 15: Biographies
Week 18	Unit 15: Telling About Unexpected Changes

Week	Topic
Week 19	Unit 15: Numbers/Dates and Addresses
Week 20	Unit 15: The Story Corner/Unit 15 Review
Week 21	Unit 16: Describing Objects
Week 22	Unit 16: Picture It
Week 23	Unit 16: Money Number Signs/Costs & Objects
Week 24	Unit 16: The Story Corner/Unit 16 Review
Week 25	Unit 17: Talking About the Weekend
Week 26	Unit 17: Beginning Conversations
Week 27	Unit 17: Disrupted Plans
Week 28	Unit 17: Three-Digit Numbers/Unit 17 Review
Week 29	Unit 13-17 Cumulative Review
Week 30	FINAL EXAM