



Course Description:

The Level I American Sign Language (ASL) class focuses on the development of communicative competence in the target language and understanding of the culture(s) of the people who sign the language. It assumes that the students have minimal or no prior knowledge of the language and culture. An important component of language classes is the use of the language beyond the classroom in the real world. The integration of technology is an important tool in accessing authentic information in the target language and in providing students the opportunity to interact with native speakers. This course requires active participation.

This course has three sections: ASL 1A is the first half of the course and includes Modules 1 – 4. ASL 1B is the second half of the course and includes Modules 5-7. ASL 1Y is the entire course and includes Modules 1 – 7.

This course includes the following modules:

Module 1: A Family Affair

Module 2: Live and Learn

Module 3: Time Will Tell

Module 4: Eat, Order, Pay

Module 5: Get Up and Get Out

Module 6: Living It Up

Module 7: On the Move

Textbook:

There is no required textbook for this course. All content is digital and available in the online course modules.

Class Participation Policy:

Students should follow the Course Schedule (located in Class Information area of course) and all course work must be submitted no later than 11:59 PM on the due date.

After the due date has passed, instructors will enter zeros in the Grade Center for work not submitted by the deadline. During student breaks and towards the end of the semester, students may have the opportunity to improve their course grade by completing and submitting work with grades of zero from earlier in the semester. Zeros will remain in the Grade Center until course work is submitted and evaluated by the instructor.

The CVA term ends prior to the end of the traditional school semester. The final date work will be accepted each term is posted on the CVA website (cobbvirtualacademy.org).

Tips For Success:

To achieve success, students are expected to submit work in each class weekly. Students can learn at their own pace; however, “any pace” still means that students must make progress in the class every week. To measure learning, students complete self-checks, practice lessons, multiple choice questions, projects and/or presentations, and live discussions. Students are expected to maintain regular contact



with teachers; the minimum requirement is monthly. When teachers, students, and parents work together, students are successful.

Grading:

Grades for the course are calculated based on category percentages as follows:

Assignments	= 20%
Discussions	= 20%
Quizzes	= 30%
Tests	= 20%
Final Exam	= 10%

Academic Integrity:

Academic integrity is the cornerstone of learning at CVA and we take the integrity and authenticity of student work very seriously. When academic integrity is maintained, students will make decisions based on values that will prepare them to be productive, meaningful, and ethical citizens.

Students are required to abide by the CVA Academic Integrity Policy. Academic dishonesty in any form will not be tolerated. The CVA Academic Integrity Policy outlines the consequences if students fail to maintain academic integrity in their course. For additional information, the CVA Academic Integrity Policy is posted on the CVA website.

Additional General Information:

- Students must complete the mandatory online CVA Student Orientation each term before any course work will be graded by the instructor. Only one Student Orientation is completed each term.
- All course work must be submitted through the learning management system, in the format requested. Students should have access to Microsoft Office and submit assignments in that format. All CCSD students have access to the Office 365 Suite. Assignments submitted through email will not be accepted.
- The 'Grade before Final Exam/EOC' column in the student Grade Center shows the current grade for the course and is automatically calculated.
- Students in the A section of the course must take an online final exam during the times indicated on the CVA website.

Course Specific Information

- Pay special attention to the tips for online language learning that the first lesson provides.
- The Introduction to Online Language Learning provides step by step instructions for how to use the Web Cam for practice recordings within the course. Pay special attention to the instructions about browser compatibility.