

## **American Sign Language    Year 2       Ashley Anderson**

**Tuition:** \$260 (½ due at registration; ½ due first day of classes in August)

**Credit:** 1 full foreign language credit

**Prerequisite:** ASL 1

**Description:** Picking up where ASL 1 left off, this class furthers ASL vocabulary, delves deeper into the understanding Deaf culture, and focuses more on interpreting concepts from English into ASL. Students in this class are moving toward fluency and must understand that putting forth an adequate amount of effort on a consistent basis will be essential to their progress and success.

Tests will include a section on receptive skills, where I sign and students convert to English, and a section on expressive skills, where I provide a sentence or concept in English and students sign it to me. During the second semester, tests will include a brief story signed by me followed by questions about the story (asked in ASL) for students to answer. We will have class days scattered throughout the year that will be silent, meaning we will only communicate in ASL for the entire class. I am not a fan of an “all work, no play” atmosphere, so we will often use review games for practice during class time.

Students will need to download Marco Polo, a free app available for a phone that allows them to send short videos quickly and easily. This is how they will submit their ASL homework to me. They will also need an active email account. Students and parents will need to create a free account with iGrade to view assignments and student progress/grades.

\*\*\*As pandemic regulations allow, I will try to plan extra experiences for students such as a visit to the TN School for the Deaf (here in Knoxville), Deaf Club meetings, or a visit to a church with services interpreted. I will keep students informed as these opportunities arise. Unfortunately, with so much uncertainty lingering, I can not promise any of this will come to fruition, but I will do my best! It is almost certain that we will have at least one visit during the year from my Deaf family members.

### **Materials Needed:**

Marco Polo account on phone

active email account

iGrade account

loose leaf paper

pencils/pens

small 3 ring binder or a divider section in a 3 ring binder for keeping lesson worksheets.