

# *Foundations in Spanish*



## **Course Objective**

In this course students begin or advance in Spanish instruction with the goal of being introduced to the foundations of the Spanish Language in a way that is fun and engaging. Emphasis is placed on developing students' abilities to read, write, speak, and listen in Spanish with particular focus on speaking, cultural awareness, and giving students the techniques and skills to be successful Spanish learners. Students are expected to speak in Spanish as much as possible and to ask questions of each other and their teacher in Spanish. The curriculum and instruction for this class is grounded in the belief that being bilingual promotes empathy, builds understanding, opens doors, and adds to a well-rounded education.

## **Course Outline:**

- Greetings and Good-byes
- Describing things that they like and dislike doing
- Talking about personality traits
- Subjects in school
- How to conjugate verbs

## **Extended Course Outline:**

- Indicating where things are located while using the verb to be and the plural and singular of the object or person
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner foods
- Health and exercise choices
- Names of places and how to say where people are going and why
- How to answer questions and question words

## **Provided Materials:**

- Google Slides Covering Vocabulary and Grammar
- Workbook and Worksheet Homework Exercises
- Access to online Spanish Language study programs: Quizlet & Quizziz

## **Additional Recommended Materials:**

- Binder for printouts of materials
- Composition Notebook
- Index cards for making flashcards
- Pencil and Red Correcting Pen

The students will be learning vocabulary from a set of google slides. I will share these slides with you so that you can print them out for your child or children. My suggestion is to have a binder for your child and a printout of the slides in the binder for them to reference. They will be using the composition notebook to take notes. Binder paper is an option for this as well.

**Homework:**

Students will be asked to practice their vocabulary as part of their ongoing Spanish homework. The more practice and repetition they have with the flashcards and online study programs, the better they will be at remembering the material they are learning. I encourage students to practice vocabulary regularly and in small 10–15-minute increments. There will also be homework worksheets and workbook pages assigned.

**Cost:**

Cost is \$25 a class/student, paid in monthly or semester intervals.

**Payment:**

Payment arrangements accepted through public charter school funding. Payment can also be made through Venmo or Zelle. Please make this payment before the start of our first class. Once payment is made, a Zoom invite for the class will be shared with you.

**Payment Options:**

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