

High School (9-12) Spanish I

Pre-requisite: None

Teacher: Karen Vandenberg

This class will get students started in their adventure to learning a second language. Students will gain skills through exercises in reading, writing, speaking and listening in the Spanish language. Focusing on the basic tenses of Present, Past, and Future, students will learn the basic grammar and sentence structure of the Spanish language.

Each month, students will be required to learn about 50 vocabulary words, using and reusing them throughout the year. Because culture is an important part of learning another language, we will "visit" a different Spanish speaking country each month. Students will also memorize a monthly Bible verse, and we will learn songs in class, singing with the guitar. Toward the end of the school year, students will read and understand one or two 40 page novels. Class exercises will also include TPR (Total Physical Response), a drama production and one or more field trips. Parents are welcomed and encouraged to be a part of the class in every way, including the assignments and test!



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Required Material:

Notebook and writing utensil
50 blank 3 x 5 cards on a ring
Paso a Paso level 1 workbook
Novel - Pobre Ana by Blaine Ray (and one other)
Home internet access to complete some assignments

Copy fee \$15 - or paperless (parent e-mail required)

Materials Not Required:

501 Spanish Verbs (required for Spanish II)
Spanish/English dictionary
(handy at home but not in class)
Paso a Paso Text book is not necessary