Costa Rica - Junio 2025
An exciting educational opportunity offered by
St. Louis Park High School and Xperitas

Who

Spanish students currently in 9th, 10th & 11th grade, levels III or above.

What

A 14-day trip of a lifetime to Costa Rica! This language and cultural immersion experience in Costa Rica will provide our students with a unique and enriching experience as they explore the rich and diverse natural resources, and unique geographical sites and biodiversity. Students will also have the unique opportunity to live with a host family for six days.

Where

The program includes travel to **San Jose**, the capital of Costa Rica, exploration of the local market, waterfall, hot springs, and volcano in **Arenal**, participation in a reforestation project, visit to the **Monteverde Reserve** and **Manuel Antonio National Park**, where students will be able to zipline through the clouds, enjoy time at the beach and get up-close views of a variety of wildlife. Complete itinerary

When

June 11-June 24, 2025

Why

- To understand and respect a culture different from their own; the cultural practices, products, and perspectives of Costa Rica.
- To use Spanish as the only possible language of communication, to be truly immersed in the language.
- To recognize and enjoy the rich natural resources of Costa Rica, particularly agriculture, sustainable practices, the rainforest, geography, and biodiversity.

Cost

Approximately **$3,814**, depending on the final registration number. This cost is based on a group size of 24 students.

Included: Airfare and in-country transportation (air, motorcoach, van as applicable), overnight accommodations (air, motorcoach, van as applicable), entrance fees, most meals, local Spanish-speaking guide, insurance for accidents or illnesses, and trip cancellation coverage due to medical reasons

Not Included: Airline baggage fees, dinner during the tour portion of the itinerary, spending money, and passport fees.

Staffing

Spanish teachers at SLP HS will be the program chaperones: Hanna Anderson, Nelly Korman & Daniel Meyen

Xperitas

Xperitas is a nonprofit educational organization with over 40 years of experience organizing immersion programs for high school students. The World Language Department at SLP HS has partnered with them on several occasions. For more information, go to xperitas.org

Application process

To participate in the program, interested students and parents will complete an internal application process. If approved, students will then apply to Xperitas, which requires more detailed personal and medical information.

Contact information

For general questions, please feel free to contact your student's current Spanish teacher, or **Hanna Anderson** at anderson.hanna@slpschools.org