

## **Introduction to Spanish**

### **Course Description:**

This class introduces active conversation and everyday aspects of the contemporary Spanish speaking world. Four basic language skills are taught and practiced: understanding, speaking, reading, and writing.

Intro to Spanish will prepare the student to be more comfortable in a Spanish 1 course; it is an overview the basics of Spanish 1. For those who have taken Spanish before, Intro to Spanish will be a review. For those who have never taken a Spanish class, the student will be more prepared in a Spanish 1 class after taking this course.

This class will help the student acquire the fundamentals of pronunciation and grammar, practical vocabulary, useful phrases and the ability to understand, read, write and speak simple Spanish. Basic relevant information covered includes: geography, customs, culture of Spain and Latin America. The class will prepare the student for further language study and should inspire interest in foreign travel, study and work.

### **Course Goals and Objectives**

#### **Goal: To introduce the student to Spanish grammar.**

Objective: Learn the different names for parts of speech

Objective: Learn when to use the correct punctuation and spelling

#### **Goal: To be able to communicate and write dialogue in Spanish.**

Objective: Ask and answer questions in Spanish.

Objective: Describe a picture using the target language.

#### **Goal: To develop an appreciation of Hispanic culture.**

Objective: Learn a bit about several different Spanish-speaking countries

Objective: Be exposed to Hispanic art and music.

### **Required Course Materials:**

1 notebook

1 pen/pencil