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Greenwich Public Schools Curriculum Overview

Course Name: Spanish Native 4

Personalized learning is achieved through standards-based, rigorous and relevant curriculum that is aligned to digital tools and resources.

Note: Teachers retain professional discretion in how the learning is presented based on the needs and interests of their students.

Course Description: (from COSG)

In this course students will concentrate on mastering the more sophisticated and complex structures, spelling, grammar and literary forms of the Spanish language in an effort to become truly literate in their native language. Students will spend time reading age-appropriate literature written by Latin American authors, and will learn how to write literary analyses and expository essays in grammatically correct Spanish. They will also study and do research on the history and geography of Central and South America. Students will participate in journal writing and will use technology to enhance their research and writing skills. Students will work on the similarities and differences between Spanish and English in an effort to improve their English communication skills as well.

Unit Guide: (List of Major Units)

1. La Identidad
2. Europa Explora América
3. El Misterio y La Fantasía
4. El Mundo en que Vivimos
5. Los Hispanos en los Estados Unidos
6. Las Bellas Artes

Enduring Understanding

- Proficient users of another language have the ability to access a broader knowledge of other disciplines, a wider range of learning strategies and experiences and a deeper knowledge of linguistic and cultural differences.
- Identity is influenced by many factors including environment, family, friends, culture, gender, race, sexual orientation, religion, politics, special interests (hobbies, profession) and language.
- Knowing yourself / who you are helps you to make good/better choices in your life.
- Everyone holds membership in a variety of groups.
- Within a given ethnic group (Latino) there is diversity.
- Latinos in the US have contributed and shaped American culture and language.
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Performance Tasks: (Including Capstone Assured Experiences)

Students will dramatize a scene from the play “La Gringa”

Students will choose a Latin American painter to research and present

Students will recreate or create their own interpretation of a painting by their favorite artist
Students will research a Latin American musician or a Caribbean town and create a presentation on their topic of choice.

Standards

[World Readiness Standards for Learning Languages](#)

[WL Readiness Standards Alignment with Common Core Standards](#)

Resources

Teacher created resources

YouTube Videos

La Gringa