

Salmos 24:1 “Del SEÑOR es la tierra y todo cuanto hay en ella, el mundo y cuantos lo habitan”

Psalm 24:1 “The earth is the LORD’S and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it”

Dear Parents,

¡Bienvenidos! Welcome back to another exciting school year! My name is Sra. Adriana Meléndez and I will be your child’s Spanish teacher. This is my 10th year teaching at The City School. My goal for our students is to see opportunities all over our great city to use the Spanish language. According to a study by the Instituto Cervantes Research Center, the United States has more Spanish speakers than Spain and second behind Mexico in the world. Spanish is a language that is worth knowing and will be useful in everyday life. Most importantly, learning the Spanish language & exploring the various Latino cultures is a way to enjoy God’s creation. Learning a new language and culture also breaks down barriers that may divide and free us to share the love of Jesus. At the elementary level of The City School, students will learn simple conversational Spanish, with vocabulary and grammar. Students will also be given the opportunity to learn about various cultures and traditions of the Spanish speaking countries of Central & South America, Equatorial Guinea and Spain. This foundation will enhance their learning for Spanish at the middle and high school level.

Kindergarten through 2nd grade will learn Spanish vocabulary and simple phrases through fun activities and assignments. Students will begin to have short conversations in Spanish. We will also explore Spain, Africa’s Spanish speaking country Equatorial New Guinea, and other Latin American countries and cultures. In grades 3-5 more Spanish grammar will be added and students will practice conversing with one another in Spanish. Fun homework assignments and projects are also a part of the 3-5 Spanish curriculums. Students will receive **a letter grade in Spanish beginning in 3rd grade.**

Their Spanish grade is made up from the following percentages:

Participation 35%
Class work 20%
Tests/projects 25%
Homework 10%
Behavior 10%

I look forward to teaching your child. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at amelendez@cityschool.org .

Muchisimas gracias,

Sra. Adriana Meléndez