

COMING THIS SUMMER 2016

SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM

WORLD LANGUAGES
PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS



Welcome to Pinellas County Schools World Languages Summer Immersion Program!

This program is a valuable part of the world languages curriculum (since 1979). The Summer Immersion Program was created to develop the participant's cultural understanding and language skills by placing him/her in **an exclusively target-language speaking environment**. Based on the belief that all persons in our culturally rich and linguistically diverse nation should be encouraged to become proficient in more than one language, the goal of the world language teachers of Pinellas County is to prepare our students to function in real-life situations.

Students of Spanish who have successfully studied the language for at least two years may participate in the five-day, four-night camp experience which will place them in an *active communication* environment.

Our staff

Our Immersion Program instructors are outstanding Pinellas County World Languages teachers with many years of teaching experience. They provide instruction in phonetics, vocabulary, grammar, and culture, and speak only **the target language at all times**.



What is the Spanish Summer Immersion program?

The program offers five days and four nights of lodging, fees, meals, and consumable materials, a fun field trip and group, and one-on-one extensive language instruction for only \$90.00 a day. Scholarships are available to Pinellas County students, who are willing to go above and beyond the call of duty, during the program, in need of financial aid. For more information, ask a world languages teacher or call the supervisor of world languages.



SAVE THE DATES!

OPEN
ENROLLMENT

BEGIN
JANUARY 4

APPLICATIONS
DUE

NO LATER
THAN
MAY 2

SUMMER
IMMERSION
WEEK

JUNE 14-18

A day in a student's life, during the program



- 7:30 Wake-up
- 8:00 Breakfast in the cafeteria
- 8:30-11:45 Small group instruction: conversing, presenting information in spoken and written form on the theme of the day.
- 12:00-1:00 Lunch in the cafeteria
- 1:00-4:45 Continued small group instruction, extemporaneous speaking, oral performances, presentations of information, concepts and ideas, oral interviews with native speakers, skits, songs, discussions, and art projects.
- 5:00-6:00 Dinner in the cafeteria
- 6:00-9:00 Preparation of props, cooking, re-enactments, celebrations based on the daily theme.
- 10:00-10:30 Daily evaluation in "family groups"
- 11:00 Bed checks/lights out

.....all in the target language.

Three meals per day are included in the camp fee.

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For further information about the program, please ask your Spanish teacher, or email Pam Benton at bentonp@pcsb.org or call 727-588-6066.

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