

# **Syllabus: Practices & Policies**

2021-2022	Franklin High School
	Section 1: Course Overview
Course Title	Español 5-6: Lengua y Literatura (Inmersión)
Instructor Info	Name: Gregorio Rangel Contact Info: grangel@pps.net
Grade Level(s)	Grade 9, Grade 10, Grade 11, Grade 12.
Room # for class	Period 2 Room: S-219
Credit	Type of credit: World Language requirement # of credits per semester: .5
Prerequisites (if applicable)	Successful completion of the Stamp test for Spanish 1,2,3,4,5,6 and a successful completion of a Middle School inmersion program for several years, or a proficiency level that is commensurate with having finished Stamp tests for Spanish 1,2,3,4,5,6 and a successful completion of a Middle School inmersion program (or a record of academically stable schooling in a Spanish-speaking country) for several years.
General Course	This course for WL 1st year High School Immersion students is filled with diverse language activities and
Description	presented as an immersion class where we communicate in Spanish 99.5% of the time. Students begin their introduction to the WL Immersion at FHS by focusing on four key areas of study: interpretive, interpersonal, presentational and intercultural. Some of the main components of the course include the following:
	1. Identify words and concepts presented in the language to interpret information. You are able to listen
	to someone else speak in Spanish and understand the main ideas of what they are saying.



- 2. **Use Spanish to engage in interpersonal communication.** You are able to talk with someone else in Spanish at all times about everyday topics, even about issues or gossip not associated with the class..
- 3. **Use Spanish to present information to an audience.** You are able to give a presentation with appropriate pronunciation in Spanish.
- 4. **Compare your own culture with the partner culture.** You are able to compare products and practices from the Spanish-speaking World (in addition to the English-speaking cultures in which you live) to products and practices of your own individual culture.

# **Section 2: Welcome Statement & Course Connections**

#### Personal Welcome

Welcome back! I fully understand our special circumstances and what we all, as a community, have been feeling during the pandemic, but I hope you'll join me in PPS' efforts to make the best of the situation we find ourselves in right now. We are all in this together to make 2021-2022 a safe and healthy school year.

The World Language Department and I invite all students to continue to develop their interest, curiosity, understanding and awareness of the connections, similarities and differences between their own cultures and other World cultures, through the intense study of a language other than their own; Spanish. For this purpose, the Department and I strive to provide a safe and culturally inclusive learning environment for each student according to their individual needs regarding their learning and relationship with the Spanish language. We believe in the power of compassion, respect, and the value of risk-taking for growth and lifelong learning.

### Course Highlights (topics, themes, areas of study)

### PPS GVC Units 2020-2021 Content Topics based on National Standardized Exams)

UNIT TITLE	TOPICS	Outcome: Intermediate Mid Level Proficiency (link to the outcome continuum)	
Unit 1: Reviewing, Connecting, Creating and understanding the Spanish-speaking	Cover topics below in more depth: La tecnología, la geografía, las sociedades y comunidades, las	Text Type/ Complexity How do I structure my message?	<ul> <li>I can use meaningful phrases, complete and complex sentences that are grammatically precise</li> <li>I can ask specific</li> </ul>



World. (Septiembre - octubre)  Unit 2: How inclusive global learners engage and express themselves with their community	actividades populares y pasatiempos, las culturas diversas, el mestizaje, el medio ambiente, varios fragmentos de literatura, la narrativa, la historia, el arte, la música y otras formas de expresión, la gramática, la ortografía y puntuación.	Comprehensibility How well am I understood?	<ul> <li>questions that are grammatically correct.</li> <li>I can be understood by someone used to a language learner, such as my teachers and classmates.</li> </ul>
their community and with the world? (Noviembre - febrero)  Unit 3: How does access to technology and health care affect our lives and our planet? (Marzo- junio)		Vocabulary and verbal expression: How varied is my vocabulary and grammar?	<ul> <li>I can use highly practiced words, transition words and expressions.</li> <li>I can add level-appropriate details.</li> <li>I can express myself in the following tense: the present, the present progressive, the immediate future, the (indefinite) preterite and the imperfect (preterite), the commands, the subjunctive.</li> <li>I can use many verbs in the present subjunctive along with various expressions that require the subjunctive.</li> <li>I can both give and receive instructions and directions.</li> </ul>
		Cultural Awareness How do I show what I know about the partner culture?	I can convey my knowledge of many basic cultural products and practices in the Spanish-speaking world and in some Spanish-speaking communities in the United States.



Course	Our World Language class supports our PPS graduates by offering them the opportunity to embrace and		
Connections to PPS	become part of the latino community, by using the language to collaborate and be problem solvers.		
<u>ReImagined Vision</u>	,, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
	Section 3: Student Learning		
	Section 5. Student Learning		
Prioritized			
Standards	The following standards will be explored in the course:		
	Learners successfully completing this course are expected to be proficient at least at the ADVANCED LOW level		
	(as per ACTFL STANDARDS) and can use the partner language and cultural knowledge to <i>Understand, Exchange</i>		
	and <i>Present</i> information about familiar topics in everyday contexts using a variety of rehearsed or memorized		
	words and phrases with complex and original sentences, as well as questions.		
	Intercultural (ACTFL World Readiness Standards)		
	Relating Cultural Practices to Perspectives: Learners use the language to investigate, explain, and reflect on the		
	relationship between the practices and perspectives of the cultures studied.		
	Relating Cultural Products to Perspectives: Learners use the language to investigate, explain, and reflect on the		
	relationship between the products and perspectives of the cultures studied.		



**Interpretive Mode - Understand Interpersonal Mode - Exchange Presentational Mode -**WL.NM.IL/IC/IR WL.NM.IS/IS/IW Present WL.NM.PS/PS/PW (Listening/Comprehension/ (Speaking/Signing/Writing): (Speaking/Signing/Writing): Reading): Learners can request and exchange Learners can identify and Learners can speak, sign, or write to information and express needs, provide information about personal and understand complex information preferences, or feelings by using a variety of rehearsed or memorized very familiar topics in everyday contexts from spoken, written, or signed using rehearsed or memorized words, texts about a level-appropriate words, phrases, sentences, and phrases, complex sentences, and range of familiar topics in questions on very familiar and questions. everyday contexts. previously studied topics in everyday contexts. I will help students grow their knowledge and skills in the following aspects of PPS's Graduate Portrait: **PPS** Graduate **Portrait** ■ Powerful and Effective Communicators **Connections** ☐ Positive, Confident, and Connected Sense of Self Differentiation/ I will provide the following supports specifically for students in the following programs: accessibility Special Education: strategies and 504 Plans: supports: **English Language Learners:** Talented & Gifted: The differentiation strategies used in this course are based on the evidence (data) received through multiple forms of pre, ongoing, and formative assessments. Described here are the types of assessments used and specific differentiation strategies in place to meet the needs of ALL learners (including TAG, ESL, Special Ed...) PPS schools strive to provide a more challenging environment for the motivated students and a supportive environment for students who are struggling. Flexible groupings: individual, pairs, small group, mixed-ability groups, and whole class. Multi-option assignments and extensions when necessary; time is used flexibly in accordance with student needs. Multiple materials and resources are provided as well. I offer opportunities for students to be engaged in higher order thinking such as inquiry, problem solving, and investigation and reporting. I am also available to the students for extra one-on-one help during flex period



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Requirements (a.
applicable in this
course):

# **Section 4: Cultivating Culturally Sustaining Communities**

### Tier 1 SEL Strategies

# Shared Agreements

I will facilitate the creation of our Shared Agreements that respects and celebrates each student's race, ability, language, and gender in the following way(s):

- We will treat each other with love and respect
- We will not use oppressive language of any kind, either in Spanish or English.
- We will recognize that everyone has their own lived experiences that impact how they show up
- We will stay engaged to the best of our abilities
- We will approach differences with curiosity rather than judgment
- We will repair harm when people in our community are hurt
- We will hold each other accountable to these expectations

I will display our Agreements in the following locations:

- Poster in the classroom
- Daily presentation through google slides
- Handout in the student notebook

My plan for ongoing feedback through year on their effectiveness is:

- Offering Surveys periodically
- Quarter reflections
- Follow up group conversations after instructional practices

# Student's Perspective & Needs

I will cultivate culturally sustaining relationships with students in Español 5-6: Lengua y literatura (Inmersión) class in the following ways: I will conduct frequent one-on-one interviews with each student. These interviews will be delivered with the purpose of attempting to engage more personally with each student, to provide an opportunity to have regular individual "check-ins", Q+A sessions regarding the course, along with having an



	opportunity to monitor the academic progress and engagement of each student.
	Families and students can communicate with me regarding any issue in the following ways:  Email: grangel@pps.net
Empowering Students	I will celebrate student successes by providing opportunities for them to select presented projects based on the student's strengths, talents, interests and needs. I will encourage students to compare and contrast their own individual cultural richness and heritage, with that of the Spanish-speaking World, within the context of the course objectives.  - I will solicit student feedback on my pedagogy, policies and practices by learning about them using surveys.
	When class agreements aren't maintained (i.e. class norms, respect for others, active collaboration, non-completion of work etc.) by a student I will approach it in the following ways:  *I will initiate one-on-one meetings with the student, and/ or with parents if necessary.  *I will maintain regular communication with students, families and counselors, if appropriate.  *If necessary, I will look for extra support within FHS.
Showcasing Student Assets	I will provide opportunities for students to choose to share and showcase their work by giving them the option to present in person, small groups, or during tutorial time.
	Section 5: Classroom Specific Procedures
Safety issues and requirements (if applicable):	
Coming & Going from class	I understand the importance of students taking care of their needs. Please use the following guidelines when



	coming and going from class:
	Students will sign their names before leaving the class and I will give them a hall pass.
	Students will always be welcome to join the class if they get to the school late, although their present or
	absent status for that day will follow the FHS attendance rules and codes
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Submitting Work	I will collect work from students in class, or, depending on the assignment, through Canvas or email. The
	method for handing in work
	If a student misses a deadline, I will partner with the student in the following ways so they have the ability to
	demonstrate their abilities:
	I will have a one-on -one interview with the students to demonstrate their proficiency during tutorial or
	class time.
	We can discuss the possibility of extending deadlines and/or presenting alternative work commensurate
	with and related to the original assignment.
Returning Your	My plan to return student work is the following:
Work	Timeline: students' work will be reviewed and assessed after the deadline, but If the student's work is missing
	by that time, I will send notification of missing assignments as a reminder.
	What to look for on your returned work: Students will see comments and feedback focusing on what they did.
	Revision opportunities are available for several assignments.
Formatting Work	
(if applicable)	
Attendance	If a student is absent, I can help them get caught up by posting the work done in class in CANVAS or in class
	during the next tutorial available. I can also communicate the expectations via email.
	Section 6: Course Resources & Materials
Materials Provided	I will provide the following materials to students:
	Teacher created materials: Packets, song texts and pertinent hand-out academic materials.
	Culturally authentic materials available online regarding current events, holidays, traditions, etc.
	Additional on-line lessons and tutorials relating to course objectives.
	Digital tools such as Google for Education Apps, Canvas, Flipgrid, if necessary or applicable to a particular Unit.



Materials Needed	Please have the following materials for this course:
	Writing supplies: A 1.5" or 2" Binder, a composition notebook (with 3 hole-punched, paper; writing supplies
	(pencils/pens your preference). These will be needed for your own reflection, practice, note-making, etc. as
	needed.
	Online device mostly used at home: A chromebook is preferred as they are the best for accessing and interacting  with the assume of the property of the p
	with the course. If you are using a tablet, it would be extremely helpful to get a portable keyboard attachment.  • Cell phones or mobile devices will not be used on any occasion in class. These devices will be turned off, and
	remain OFF, out of sight in the student's backpack, handbag etc (If a student needs to access their phone for
	an emergency, family scheduling issue or a personal issue, the student can arrange (in private) to have access to
	his/her phone outside of the classroom for a reasonable amount of time.
	• The course TEXTBOOK (Encuentros maravillosos chapters: 1-7)) and the novel that will be read are available for
	check-out at the FHS Library. STUDENTS CANNOT WRITE IN THE TEXTBOOKs or novels AT ALL, but will be writing
	copiously in notebook or packet that is related to the textbook and novels in question. Sections and access to the textbooks <i>Intrigas</i> and <i>Taller de escritores</i> will be provided.
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	Franklin can help with any materials you may need as well. Please reach out to me privately and I will help you
	get what you need.
Course Resources	Here is a link to resources that are helpful to students during this course:
	www.duolingo.com
	https://www.spanishdict.com/
	<u>www.conjuguemos.com</u>
	<u>www.youTube.com</u>
	https://dle.rae.es/
	<u>www.padlet.com</u>
Empowering	The following are resources available for families to assist and support students through the course:
Families	www.duolingo.com
	https://www.spanishdict.com/
	www.conjuguemos.com
	www.youTube.com
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Formative	As students move through the learning journey during specific units/topics, I will assess & communicate their
Assessments	<u>progress</u> in the following ways: (or ongoing) assessments will occur throughout the course. Sometimes these are
	informal, such as a quick thumbs up or a ticket-out-the door. Sometimes they are a more formal assessment, such as a



	short quiz or written response to see where each student is at that point in the unit. Formative/ongoing assessments help me provide feedback to individual students and to guide my instruction.		
Summative Assessments	As we complete specific units/topics I will provide the following types of opportunities for students to provide evidence of their <u>learned</u> abilities: (or final) assessments will occur for each unit and will cover the priority standards of that unit. Some assessments may be split into multiple parts or chunks.		
Student Role in Assessment	Students and teacher will partner to determine how they can demonstrate their abilities in the following ways:  • Students will auto evaluate their performance and proficiency by checking periodically the "can do statements" in the ACTFL levels along with "can do statements" pertaining directly to the material from the course.		
Section 8: Grades Progress Report Cards & Final Report Cards			
Accessing Grades	Students & Families can go to the following location for <u>up-to-date</u> information about their grades throughout the semester: Synergy  I will update student grades at the following frequency: every other week		
Progress Reports	The following are tables of grading for Proficiency / Percentage / Zero-to-Four/ Letter-grade and their equivalents used by the World Languages Dept. at FHS.		
	<b>Mr. Rangel</b> evaluates students using proficiency marks to reflect students' skills and content mastery, but will give students percentage equivalents as PPS grades in Synergy.		
	<b>HP</b> = Highly proficient = 90%-100% = 4.00-4.99 = Letter grade A		
	<b>PR</b> = Proficient = 80%-89.9% = 3.00-3.99 = Letter grade B		
	<b>CP</b> = Close to proficient = 70%-79.9% = 2.00-2.99 = Letter grade C		
	<b>DP</b> = Developing proficiency = 60%-69.9% = 1.00-1.99 = Letter grade D		
	<b>F</b> = Not proficient = 0 % – 59.9% = 0.00-0.00 = Letter grade F		



### Final Report Card Grades

The following system is used to determine a student's grade at the end of the semester:

Click here: **Grading Rubric** 

**Rangel** uses the following categories for evaluation and assessing quarterly and final grades:

### **GRADES ARE OUT OF 100%**

### Active Collaboration — 40 %

Includes coming to class prepared, having homework assignments completed, being an Active Collaborator in the learning community (which focuses on interpretive listening, speaking, reading, interpersonal communication, as well as questioning, commenting, as appropriate to the exercises and tasks), and maintaining a positive attitude. Spanish will be the primary language in class and students need to make every attempt to express themselves in the target language for the duration of the period. Each student will be evaluated for a grade after each class period and each student's daily score will be at the discretion of the instructor. If absent (excused) this daily grade will need to be made-up. If the absence is unexcused, then the student will receive a zero (0) in 'Active Collaboration' for the day. In certain circumstances, it may be possible to arrange make-up work to substitute for 'Active Collaboration' grades for unexcused absences.

## Quizzes, Assessments, Projects/Presentations — 40 %

Quizzes, short assessments, etc., will be given weekly or biweekly (either formative or summative in nature); they may be in written, oral, or performance-based form.

Summative assessments will be given at the conclusion of each unit of study.

Projects and presentations may be assigned.

Note: Retakes of quizzes, assessments, etc., may be taken at the discretion of the teacher.

### Final Exams (Fall + Spring) — 20 %

Summative unit exams are administered, as well as summative final exams at the conclusion of each semester.

# **GRADES ARE OUT OF 100%**



Other Needed info (if applicable)		

