

FOR OUR 2008 SCHEDULE VISIT US

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Centro Bilingüe de San Miguel, an original concept in Spanish Language acquisition, was established in 1998 by San Miguel native and professor, Sara Murillo. With over 25 years of teaching and school administration experience, learning and assisting in learning is most certainly her passion.

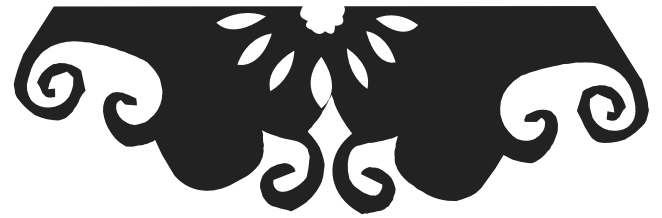
At Centro Bilingüe de San Miguel we believe in breaking cultural barriers through second language acquisition in the hope that we may understand, communicate, and appreciate others in our increasingly multicultural world. We wanted to create a school where our students could learn Spanish as well as involve themselves in the culture and traditions of Mexico through a variety of activities, studies, and field trips.

At Centro Bilingüe de San Miguel we strongly believe that language and culture go hand in hand, therefore our programs contain both of these two important aspects of learning.

While the number of students and programs we offer continues to grow our core philosophy remains the same:

That being, to provide each student with a personalized learning experience, while combining a strong foundation in Spanish, and exposure to the richness of Mexican culture.

In our Spanish Day Cam, our students become familiar with the cadence and basic vocabulary of Spanish through games, songs, dancing, and field trips. Through our field trips to historically important sites in the surrounding villages and various markets, students learn the language in its cultural setting. This is indeed done through a "camp" setting that makes it easy for visiting families to participate whether they are here for a week or a month.



OTHER SPANISH PROGRAMS FOR TEENAGERS

SEMI-INTENSIVE / 1 hour daily

For students with less time available each day, this course teaches basic grammar, vocabulary and expressions – enough to survive on the street!

INTENSIVE SPANISH / 2 hour daily

This intensive course is our most popular, providing the quickest and most efficient route to learning Spanish.

We begin with the basics, introducing new grammar and vocabulary, while providing plenty of opportunities to practice. After just a few weeks, students who have never studied Spanish have a good understanding of the language and can communicate well.

INTENSIVE SPANISH / 3 hours daily

This course offers 3 hours instruction per day comprised of 2 hours grammar and practice and 1 hour workshop (such as history, cooking or dance) or conversation.





Our program welcomes teens from **12 to 17 YEARS.**

PERSONAL TEENAGE ATTENTION

The program provides personal advisement in order to maintain effective communication with students, host families, and parents. Advisers are always available on request.

COMPONENTS

Spanish class (3 hours)

We begin with 3 hours of interactive and dynamic Spanish instruction. Students are placed in small Spanish classes according to their previous level of Spanish fluency, ability to communicate, origin, and ages. 6-10 students are assigned to one professor to ensure that professors give students the personal attention needed. The following four main skills are emphasized: speaking, listening, reading, and writing.



In our Intensive Spanish Program for adolescents, students quickly develop vocabulary, idiomatic expressions, grammar and conversational skills. They hone these tools through a variety of activities i.e. field trips, cooking and dance.

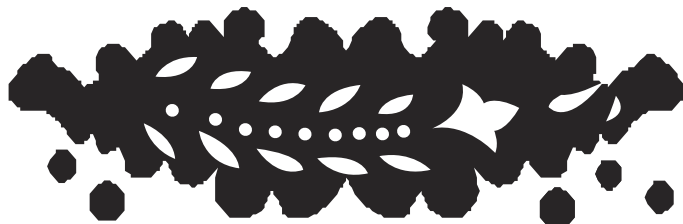
Our Extended Afternoon Program allows students to continue their exploration of language and culture through participation in teaching English to Mexican students, cooking, dance and music, among others. We find that students learn a great deal of Spanish while participating in making Chiles Rellenos, learning Mexican Folk songs, and chatting with our Mexican students, staff, family and friends.

Our School also offers students and their families the exciting opportunity to participate in our Youth Volunteer Orphanage Outreach Program. Through this program, children, adolescents and their families are able to reach out to the community through organized visits to various San Miguel de Allende orphanage populations.

At Centro Bilingüe de San Miguel our curricula has been carefully designed to create incentive, opportunity and a warm environment for adolescents to learn Spanish in the most fruitful way possible.. Our academic material is in depth and up to date we incorporate conversation, improvisation, discussions, creative games, music and other cultural exchanges.

In short, Centro Bilingüe de San Miguel is a wonderful way for students of all ages to learn Spanish, share our Mexican Culture and spend an unforgettable vacation. Come check us out!

Sara Murillo
FOUNDER AND DIRECTOR
CENTRO BILINGUE DE SAN MIGUEL





TEEN PROGRAMS

PROGRAM FOR TEENAGE STUDENTS

Centro Bilingüe de San Miguel offers a strong academic study of the Spanish Language in a safe and secure environment for high school students. In addition to the language classes, our school features extensive excursions to sites of archeological and historical interest and a home stay program with carefully-selected Mexican families who provide a nurturing atmosphere for young adults.

We believe that a high school study abroad program is a superb second language enhancing opportunity, as well as a unique maturing experience. Students who come to our school after a few years of high school Spanish do extremely well on proficiency and placement testing for college.

All students are invited to participate in the local community. In addition to those activities provided by the families with whom students live, there are concerts, art exhibitions, plays, and other cultural events each week. Field study trips are carefully organized and chaperoned by staff members, and students who participate often report the trips to be among the greatest highlights.

SPANISH LANGUAGE CLASSES

High school students enroll in the same intensive Spanish classes as other students. Class-time emphasis is placed on the development of communicative skills, and instructors stress speaking and listening. Out of classroom exercises are included in this week long program, with teachers escorting students to nearby locations (the post office, grocery store, restaurants, etc.) for the purpose of vocabulary building and learning situation – appropriate behavior and language.

FAMILY LIVING PROGRAM

Living with a Mexican family is an integral part of our educational experience, not only for the hospitality students enjoy, but as an additional firsthand approach to the culture of Mexico. Students receive housing and all meals from families who have been carefully screened by our administration. They have a history with us, and have homes that are easily accessible to the school. Most are within walking distance. Our students are asked to adhere to a reasonable curfew for school and weekend nights. Safety of students is our highest priority at all times, and our administration work with teachers and families to insure the safety of all students.

CHARACTERISTICS AND ADVANTAGES:

- Interactive academic and recreational sessions with Mexican High School students.
- Learning Spanish in an exciting way
- Activities supervised by Counselors and Advisors
- No more than 10 students in a Spanish Class.
- Up to 30 hours a week.
- Complete Cultural Immersion
- Classes with students of similar level, age and interest.
- Idiomatic expressions according to the Spanish level.
- Native Spanish speaking professors
- Variety of methodology
- Personal attention to academic needs.
- Complete flexibility.
- Structured guided conversation classes
- Weekly field trips.
- Graduation ceremony, Diploma and Fiesta Mexicana!

