OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Visitation is a Catholic Parish School that promotes life-long learning, responsible citizenship, academic excellence, and sharing the Good News and love of Jesus Christ.



Spanish Teacher: Señora Ruiz

EDUCATION

B.A. from the University of Puerto Rico with a major in Arts and a minor in History

How My Faith Influences Teaching

I love to live my faith. I believe that applying it within my family has helped me to take it to the next level which is teaching. Growing up Catholic helped me learn and influence those around me. I am committed to creating a learning environment that is spiritually, emotionally and psychologically supportive for all my students.

VCS WELCOMES YOU!

Come explore our campus; a place where students from Preschool through 8th grade have an opportunity to fulfill their potential within a safe and supportive academic environment.



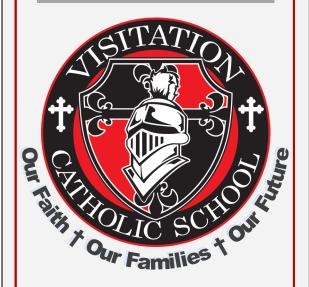
VISITATION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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SPANISH CURRICULUM





Cultivating faith through academic excellence, arts and athletics in the Catholic tradition since 1883.



WHY LEARN SPANISH?

Learning a foreign language opens the mind and expands horizons. The student will not only learn new words, but an entirely new way of expressing themselves. Your child will learn traditions and customs from various Spanish speaking cultures. Along the way, hopefully, they will realize that those who speak different languages and have different traditions are not so very different from themselves.

GOALS

Each class will expose the student to enriching aspects of the Spanish language and diverse Spanish-speaking cultures. We aim to improve the student's listening, reading comprehension, and oral skills while expanding cultural awareness through various methods including songs, games, rhymes, study, and individual and group creations. We want the children to walk away with not only having acquired new vocabulary and new cultural facts, but with a new appreciation and love for Spanish.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

Visitation Catholic School is dedicated to the four-fold principles of Catholic education: message, service, community and worship. In accordance with these principles, we are committed to the building of a Christ centered community of students. We believe all who participate in the process have vital and distinct roles.



KINDERGARTEN - 2ND GRADE

- Students will learn vocabulary used in daily life such as food, body parts, family, nature and animals
- Students will learn short, commonly-used phrases, such as greetings and commonly used simple questions and answers
- Students will listen to and learn short songs and rhymes; visually learning and recognizing native art
- We will learn about and celebrate holidays such as Christmas, Day of the Dead, Cinco de Mayo, and various Independence Days

3RD GRADE & 6TH GRADE

- Students will be able to express ideas more completely recalling vocabulary and sentence structure
- Students will learn present-tense verb conjugations
- Students will be able to read short, simple paragraphs in Spanish
- Younger students will compose short skits, and older students will present an oral and written report on a chosen Spanish-speaking country
- We will learn about and celebrate holidays such as Christmas, Day of the Dead, Cinco de Mayo, and various Independence Days

7TH GRADE & 8TH GRADE

- Students will be able to speak and write with more confidence and fluency
- Students will practice their skills through more complex exercises and dialogues
- Students will reach a higher level of listening and reading comprehension
- Students will learn past, as well as present -tense verb conjugations and learn pronoun usage
- Students will present an oral and written report on a chosen Spanish-speaking country
- We will learn about and celebrate holidays such as Christmas, Day of the Dead, Cinco de Mayo, and various Independence Days

