



One World Languages

What is FLEX? FLEX is a Foreign Language Experience/Exploratory Program. FLEX introduces students to languages and cultures. Develop limited awareness of language relationships. FLEX programs are an introduction to one or more foreign languages, with few language skills expected. There may be limited development of fluency with a once- or twice-a-week program over several years that emphasizes limited language acquisition and cultural awareness.

Anderson VT Elementary Language Programs:

One World Schools

Global Scholars, Global Action, and Global Cultures

Anderson IB

Murchison IB

Doss: FLEX, Chinese Immersion

Davis: FLEX

Hill: FLEX

Summit: FLEX, Dual Language

Vietnamese/English

Pillow: FLEX, Dual Language Spanish/English

SPANISH

¡HOLA!

DURING THE FIRST COUPLE OF WEEKS, FIRST GRADERS LEARNED SCHOOL-RULES WORDS IN SPANISH AND ABOUT TRUE AND FALSE COGNATE WORDS WHICH WE REFER TO AS GOOD FRIENDS AND BAD FRIENDS WORDS. WE MADE A COLLAGE OF GOOD THOSE WORDS. DURING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15 AND 16, THEY LEARNED ABOUT THE INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS OF SEVERAL SPANISH-SPEAKING COUNTRIES AND HOW THAT MARKS THE BEGINNING OF SPANISH HERITAGE MONTH. THEY MADE PAPER FIREWORKS AND COLORED FLAGS OF FOUR SPANISH-SPEAKING COUNTRIES. IN THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 1ST, THEY LEARNED THE NAMES AND LOCATION OF 20 SPANISH-SPEAKING COUNTRIES TO THE TUNE OF "LA CUCARACHA" SONG. EVERY WEEK, WE START CLASS REVIEWING THE CARPET RULES SONG IN SPANISH AND THE VOCABULARY WE LEARNED IN THE PREVIOUS WEEKS. STUDENTS ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT THE MEANING OF THE WORDS ON THE POSTER AND THE VOCABULARY REVIEW. IN THE FOLLOWING WEEKS, THE STUDENTS WILL BE LEARNING GREETINGS, HOW TO ASK AND TELL THEIR AGE IN SPANISH, MORE COLORS, BODY PARTS (HEAD, SHOULDERS, KNEES, AND TOES), NUMBERS 1-31, THE DAYS OF THE WEEK, THE MONTHS OF THE YEAR, AND HOW TO WRITE AND TELL THE DATE IN SPANISH. IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, OR WANT TO BE A VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CONTACT ME AT: BRENDA.BAEZ@AUSTINISD.ORG.

¡MUCHAS GRACIAS!
BRENDA BÁEZ

CHINESE

HELLO!

WELCOME TO FOURTH GRADE CHINESE. PLEASE BEGIN USING YOUR NEW LANGUAGE BY CALLING ME ZHOU LAOSHI. THAT IS HOW YOU SAY MY NAME AND POSITION. ZHOU IS MY FAMILY NAME AND LAOSHI MEANS TEACHER IN CHINESE. I WILL HAVE YOUR CHILDREN ONCE A WEEK IN A 30 MINUTE SESSION WHERE WE WILL BROADLY INTRODUCE CHINESE LANGUAGE, CULTURE AND GENERAL KNOWLEDGE BY WAY OF FUN CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES.

OUR LANGUAGE GOAL IS TO HAVE THE STUDENTS LEARN THEIR DAILY SALUTATIONS, NUMBERS, DAYS OF THE WEEK, DATES AND FAMILY MEMBERS. IN ADDITION TO LANGUAGE THEY WILL GAIN HANDS ON EXPERIENCE MAKING LANTERNS, NUMBER SNAKES AND MASKS SPECIFIC TO THE CHINESE CULTURE. WE WILL USE AUDIO / VIDEO TO MAKE THE LEARNING BOTH FUN AND INTERESTING.

I TRULY LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING THIS SEMESTER'S TEACHINGS WITH YOU AND YOURS. "

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ZHOU XUANHUA

FRENCH

BONJOUR À TOUS!

WELCOME TO THE FRENCH FLEX PROGRAM, NOW IN ITS SEVENTH GREAT YEAR!! I'M SO EXCITED TO WORK WITH THE STUDENTS AND TO CONTINUE OUR QUEST TO BECOME GLOBAL SCHOLARS AND EMPATHETIC COMMUNICATORS. I WILL BE PROVIDING ENRICHMENT TO THE CURRICULUM, EXPOSING STUDENTS TO FRENCH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE, AND SHARING THE EXCITEMENT OF LEARNING A NEW LANGUAGE. FROM AUGUST TO DECEMBER WE LEARN BASIC PHRASES AND VOCABULARY, SING SONGS AND LEARN ABOUT FRENCH CULTURE THROUGH ROLE PLAY, GROUP ACTIVITIES, AND GAMES.

WE'LL BE COVERING GREETINGS, NUMBERS (1-10), COLORS, DESCRIBING OURSELVES, FAMILIES, ANIMALS, ACTIVITIES WE LIKE, HOLIDAYS AND FOOD. MY TEACHING PHILOSOPHY IS TO AWAKEN A LOVE OF LEARNING FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND CULTURE THROUGH FOSTERING A RELATIONSHIP WITH EACH STUDENT, AND PROVIDING A FUN-FILLED AND POSITIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE. THANK-YOU TO ALL THE TEACHERS WHO WELCOME ME INTO THEIR CLASSROOMS AND SUPPORT THE FLEX PROGRAM SO ENTHUSIASTICALLY. THEY MAKE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE. FINALLY, PLEASE CHECK OUT THE FRENCH WEBSITE. THERE ARE LOTS OF SONGS, VOCABULARY AND RESOURCES THAT YOU CAN USE AT HOME.

À BIENTÔT! (SEE YOU SOON!)

LORELLA LOFTUS

[HTTP://AISDELEMENTARYFRENCH.WEEBLY.COM](http://aisdelementaryfrench.weebly.com)

GERMAN

HALLO ALLE!

OUR YEAR HAS BEEN GREAT SO FAR. WE HAVE STARTED LEARNING THE BASICS OF GERMAN, INCLUDING THE ALPHABET AND GREETINGS. WE ALSO MADE OUR GERMAN THINKING CAPS (NAME TAGS TO WEAR ON OUR HEADS) SO WE CAN GET INTO GERMAN MODE AND SO I CAN KNOW THE 650 OR SO NAMES.

WE ALSO HAD SOME GUESTS IN OUR CLASSROOM THIS YEAR. STUDENTS TAKING UPPER LEVEL GERMAN CLASSES AT ANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL CAME TO OUR CLASSES AND TAUGHT OF ANIMAL VOCABULARY IN GERMAN. IT IS A TRADITION WE HAVE SINCE THE START OF THE FOREIGN LANGUAGES AT THE ELEMENTARY LEVEL. THE ELEMENTARY STUDENTS LOVE IT AND THE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT SEEM TO LOVE IT AS WELL. IN ADDITION, THE ELEMENTARY STUDENTS GET TO SEE THAT THEY CAN CONTINUE THE LANGUAGE FUN AFTER THEY HEAD TO MIDDLE SCHOOL AND BEYOND. SOME ADDITIONAL GUESTS INCLUDED SUMMITT ELEMENTARY'S INTERNS FROM KOBLENZ, GERMANY. THEY TAUGHT A LESSON IN SOME OF THE CLASSROOMS AND JUST VISITED OTHERS. IT WAS WONDERFUL TO HAVE THEM HERE.

WE ARE JUST LEARNING SOME HOLIDAY TRADITIONS, BUT WE HAVE LOTS MORE LANGUAGE LEARNING PLANNED, INCLUDING A LOOK INSIDE GERMAN FAMILY LIFE, NUMBERS AND COUNTING, AND SOME CRAFTS. WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE REST OF THE YEAR!

MIT FREUNDLICHEN GRÜßEN,
GREG ROHD

LATIN

SALVÊTE OMNÊS!

WE ARE PRETTY FORWARD THINKING IN LATIN SO OUR STUDENTS HAVE BEEN HARD AT WORK LEARNING A 2,000 YEAR OLD LANGUAGE ON COMPUTERS. ASK YOUR STUDENT TO SHOW YOU THEIR LATIN BLEND PAGE! ALL THE LESSONS WE DO IN CLASS ARE ON BLEND. YOU CAN REVIEW IT WITH YOUR STUDENT OR EVEN FIGURE OUT WHAT THEY ARE TRYING TO TELL YOU!

SO FAR WE HAVE COVERED GREETINGS, FAREWELLS, FAMILY, AND BASIC COMMANDS. WE HAVE ALSO STARTED INCREASING OUR SCIENCE VOCABULARY BY LEARNING WEEKLY LATIN VOCABULARY THAT IS TIED TO 5TH GRADE LEARNING GOALS.

WE HAVE ALSO STUDIED THE CULTURE OF THE ROMANS BY LEARNING ABOUT ROMAN HOUSES AND SPENDING A GOOD CHUNK OF OUR TIME ON THE ROMAN MYTHOLOGY. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN WORKING ON A PROJECT TO CREATE OUR OWN INDIVIDUAL ROMAN GODS. ASK YOUR STUDENT ABOUT THEIR CREATION!

CHECK OUT ALL THE LESSONS ON BLEND!

VALÊTE OMNÊS,
NEIL HARGROVE