



## Café y Conversación at Colter!

- Come practice your Spanish with others in a fun and caffeinated environment!
- All levels are invited!
- 5-6pm at Colter Coffee 2x a month until the oral exam!
- Jan 13 & 27, Feb 10 & 24, and Mar 9 & 23

### Important Dates

Final Exams (per.1-	1-21-16
Final Exams (per.5	1-22-16
IB written Assess-	2-11-16
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Oral Assessments	3-7-16
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	3-16-16
Paper1 &2	5-10-16
Semester 2 Finals	6-7-16

# Spanish Semester 1...

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*Señorita Peoples-Spanish 2 and Spanish 4/IB*

*Semester is ending! Finals are coming!*

The end of first semester is here! Hopefully your student has been keeping up with their work and is doing great and enjoying Spanish! There is some make-up work that can still be done and there are at least 2 quizzes left to boost grades up.

Also, students will be allowed to re-take their lowest grade quiz the last week of school before finals.

*January 25th is a day off for students while teachers grade tests and prepare for the next semester. In Spanish we will just continue on where we left off before finals.*



Toledo, España

### FINAL EXAMS!

All Spanish 2 students will be taking a final. Students will have an speaking test as well as a written section. Questions for BOTH oral/written test will be on my webpage by next week. Spanish 4 students may or may not be taking finals depending on their grades.

START

STUDYING NOW!!

## Spanish 4/IB



All students taking IB Spanish will be doing the written assessment and the oral assessment. Everyone will receive a class grade for these tasks, only the official test takers will be graded by the IB also, as well as take the written examinations in May. The exams in May are the only part of the Spanish 4/IB class that everyone does not do.

We are coming up on a hectic few months. Students will be 3 or 4 finding resources (newspaper articles, blogs, videos, magazines, etc.) from Spanish sources and using them to create a 350-400 word “written work” using these resources as reference.

After the writing assessment, towards Spring Break, we will be starting the Oral Assessment which consists of a 10 minute conversation with me where the student will describe what they see in a photo, discuss cultural relevance and then just chit-chat, all in the Spanish! Yes, they are really that good! This oral assessment is recorded and sent to IB if they are official, and they are all graded by me as a class grade.

Also, I am excited to start a series of Café y Conversación at Colter Coffee. It will be a chance for students to come and use/improve their speaking skills for an hour or so in a non-school setting. I will be doing this from next week until after the oral tests, and then if there is an interest we can keep doing it! See the dates and times on the front page!

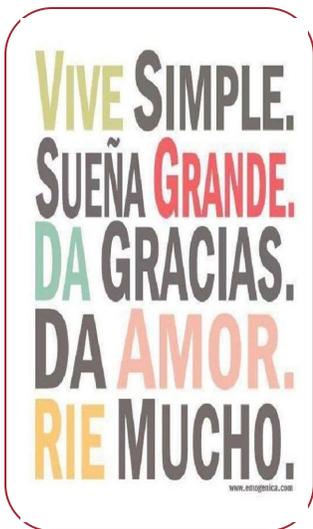


### Helpful Hints for the IB Oral-

“For the first part of the oral you will be describing an image. Be sure to know positions such as above, behind, in front etc. Also learn lots of adjectives and vocabulary for everyday objects, places and people. Try to say as much as you can even if you think it sounds basic like 'the man is wearing a red hat' because saying basic things will earn you more points than being silent. Hopefully you're teacher has shown you some examples if not the sorts of images I got were of a restaurant, a farm, a football match, a house so that's what I mean by 'everyday objects'.

The second part of the oral is the one you can prepare the most for. You and your teacher will have a general conversation about you. So a good thing to do is to plan and memorize a few sentences that about you, about your family, your opinions on school and school subjects, holidays, what you did on the weekend. Also, you are allowed to lie. I used to say I went to the city on the weekend even if I didn't because I knew lots of city related vocab. Make sure you know future tense because one of the key things I think you get asked is your plans for the future. “

-2015 IB student



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