## **Spanish Course Descriptions**

Spanish I is a course designed to interest the student in learning the Spanish language. This course will provide the student with a general introduction to the Spanish language: sound system, pronunciation, functional vocabulary related to everyday life, cultural information and basic grammatical structures. Emphasis will be on the acquisition of three language skills: listening, writing, and reading with limited focus on speaking. There are two main objectives to the course: To provide the students with instruction that teaches a basic understanding of Spanish culture, vocabulary, and present tense grammatical concepts. This course utilizes an online digital curriculum, in lieu of a textbook, to expand students'  $21^{st}$  century technology skills and college-bound self-efficacy.

Spanish II builds upon knowledge gained in Spanish I. This course will also reinforce the skills learned in Spanish I: listening, reading and writing. Emphasis is on perfecting pronunciation, mastery of the basic grammatical structures, and increased communicative proficiency. Acquisition of functional vocabulary is expected. Students will be exposed to the verb tenses and grammatical concepts such as reflexive verbs, imperfect, and past tenses. Students will be expected to apply these grammatical concepts in their reading and writing. This course utilizes an online digital curriculum, in lieu of a textbook, to expand students' 21st century technology skills and college-bound self-efficacy.

Spanish III is a course that builds upon knowledge gained in Spanish I & II. This course is a continuation and recycling of knowledge acquired in Spanish I and Spanish II for retention and proficiency, as well as an introduction to new vocabulary, structures and expressions. Students will be expected to expand their vocabulary range to include more sophisticated terms, use advanced language expressions, verb tenses and grammatical concepts such as the future, conditional, pluperfect and the subjunctive mood. Students will view authentic Spanish language films and read selected Spanish literature to reinforce cultural concepts that transcend language. This course utilizes an online digital curriculum, in lieu of a textbook, to expand students' 21st century technology skills and college-bound self-efficacy.