

2011-2012 Academic Year

Dear Parents:

I hope you had an enjoyable summer. A new school year has begun and I would like to remind you of The Lane Spanish lunch program. I am excited to resume working with your children beginning the last week of September.

As some of you may already know, the Spanish language immersion program is designed for all Lane students in grades kindergarten through fourth.

Students are invited to share the Spanish language immersion experience with songs, interactive language games, and conversational role-playing. Students will gain exposure to authentic cultural traditions from Spanish speaking countries. In addition, I also plan to expand students' cultural awareness of the Latino influence in Chicago and the U.S. The curriculum is a spiral method that reinforces and builds upon previously learned vocabulary and grammar concepts. This provides a solid foundation for more formal instruction in middle school.

I was born and raised in Argentina before relocating to the United States. I received my BA in Spanish Education and Sociology. After college I worked as a high school Spanish teacher and later as a bilingual elementary teacher while completing my Masters in Reading. I have a wide range of experience as a foreign language teacher in the inner city and suburbs and as a methods teacher for Berlitz School of Language.

After taking a break to raise five bilingual children in the area, I resumed my career as a foreign language-teaching consultant for the Office of World Language in the Chicago Public Schools. I missed teaching and was thrilled to start The Lane's Spanish at Lunch program. This was seventeen years ago, and I still love every class! In addition to diverse teaching experiences such as language immersion camps at my home, and high school Spanish tutoring, I also filled a three-month maternity leave for a full-time Spanish teacher at Butler Jr. High. However, this experience confirmed that my passion is elementary school language instruction-preferably part-time.

I look forward to the smiling faces of my Lane students soon.

Gracias,

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## SPANISH AT LUNCH 2011-2012 CLASS SCHEDULE

- ✓ Classes are held once a week Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday based on your child's grade level.
- ✓ Parents will be notified which day of the week classes are held.

### SEPTEMBER

Tues	Wed	Thurs
20	21	22
27	28	29

### OCTOBER

Tues	Wed	Thurs
4	5	6
X	12	13
18	19	20
25	26	27

### NOVEMBER

Tues	Wed	Thurs
3	4	5
8	9	10
15	16	17
X	X	X
29	30	

### DECEMBER

Tues	Wed	Thurs
		1
6	7	8
13	14	15
X	X	X
X	X	X

### JANUARY

Tues	Wed	Thurs
3	4	5
10	11	12
17	18	19
24	25	26

### FEBRUARY

Tues	Wed	Thurs
31	1	2
7	8	9
14	15	16
21	22	23

### MARCH

Tues	Wed	Thurs
29	1	2
6	7	8
13	14	15
20	21	* 22

#### NOTES:

X- No Class

\* - Make up for ALL students, March 20

° - Students normally scheduled on Tuesday will attend class March 24.

- ✓ Tuesday class will end March 13
- ✓ Wednesday class will end March 14
- ✓ Thursday class will end March 15

All classes will end by Spring Break so students can enjoy recess at lunch.

**SPANISH AT LUNCH**

**ENROLLMENT FORM**

CLASSES BEGIN THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>

Homeroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Useful information: (allergies, glasses, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

**NO PEANUTS PLEASE**

Please include this form along with a check for \$240 per student made payable to Ana G. Sisson in a sealed envelope to my attention to the front office.

An email will be sent to confirm your child's enrollment.