

Heritage High School

World Languages

Department



**I will teach you in a room.
I will teach you now on Zoom.
I will teach you in your house.
I will teach you with a mouse.
I will teach you here and there.
I will teach you because I care.
So just do your very best.
And do not worry about the rest.**

Dear HHS Students and Families,

First and foremost, we hope you are all doing well and staying safe. We are all thinking of you and trying to adjust to this new reality. We will continue to support you in any way we can, but we all need to be flexible. We need you to communicate with us as well and reach out to us if you are struggling or need extra assistance.

With regards to the ACE project, we know that many of you have spent time and effort working to complete this active cultural experience (ACE). However, due to these unprecedented times, including shelter in place requirements, and the unique situations of each family, we cannot safely, or equitably require students to turn in their portfolios. Only, those teachers whose ACE projects were completed by all students in their classes prior to the start of spring break, will still include the ACE projects in the third quarter grade. Other teachers will not require completion of this project, or include it in students' grades. While we strongly believe that the cultural component of language learning is important, at this time we must focus on content standards that will enable students to be ready for the next level of their world language studies.

As a department, we have made some adjustments as to how we will handle distance learning. Weekly assignments and due dates will be posted on individual teachers' websites, as well as other platforms your teachers have used (i.e. Remind, Edmodo, etc.), each Monday morning by 9 a.m. We will ease into this process, but keep in mind that this is not online teaching nor a substitute for actual in-class instruction.

We look forward to our mutual collaboration as we navigate and learn this new endeavor of distance learning. We will be reaching out soon.

Stay safe and practice healthy habits,
The HHS World Language Department