

**Application for Hamden Public Schools Spain Immersion Program
Student Information**

*All fields are required. Write N/A if the information does not apply to you.
Applications with missing information are incomplete and will not be considered for selection.*

Name: _____ Age: _____ YOG: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ (home) _____ (cell)

E-Mail: _____

Parents'/Guardians' Names: _____

Mom's Work Phone/Cell: _____ Dad's Work Phone/Cell: _____

Parents' E-Mail: 1. _____

2. _____

Which parent should be contacted first to be notified of exchange events and information? _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone # _____

Circle the level of Spanish you are currently taking:

SP1/*Grade 7 SP2/*Grade 8 SP3 SP4 SP5 SPAP SP for Native/Heritage Speakers (27/29/39/49)

Names of Spanish teachers: (This year) _____ (Last year) _____

Name of Guidance Counselor: _____

Names of all current teachers:

Period	Class:	Teacher:
1		
2		
3		
4		

Period	Class:	Teacher:
5		
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7		
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The following questions will help us with the selection of a host family if you are selected to participate in the program.

Are you allergic to household pets? _____ If so, which? _____

Are you allergic to any foods? _____ If so, which? _____

Are you a vegetarian? _____

Do you have siblings? _____ If so, provide their ages: _____

Do you have any special requests about the student we may match you with? (i.e., no pets, younger/older siblings, etc.) _____

If selected, are you willing to be matched with a student of the opposite sex? ____ NO ____ YES

Is there anything else that you feel we should know about you? _____

Essay question (REQUIRED). *In Spanish, write a letter to your Spanish host family in which you introduce and describe yourself, your friends and family, your interests, your school, and your community. Include at least **two** digital photos **embedded** in the essay, and printed with the letter, of you and your friends and family. The letter must be at least 200 words long and word-processed (typed on the computer). If you are selected to participate in the exchange, this letter will be sent to your host family.*

Character reference (REQUIRED). *Please have an adult that has known you for at least one year (a coach, a boss, an activity group leader, etc.) fill out the attached form. They may also write a letter of reference in lieu of filling out the form. They should return the reference to you in a sealed envelope or mail it to Ms. Lapman at Hamden Public Schools, 60 Putnam Ave., Hamden, CT 06517. Please allow them ample time to fill out the form.*

Teacher recommendations (REQUIRED). *Your Spanish teacher must fill out the attached form(s) to the best of their ability. Please allow teachers ample time to fill out the form. They must return it to Ms. Lapman by the application due date-November 21st.*

Application checklist:

- ____ I completed the student information page. (*Middle school students will be contacted for an interview.)
- ____ I wrote the essay (the letter to my potential host family) in Spanish and attached it to my application.
- ____ I have asked my character reference to fill out the recommendation form and have either attached the sealed envelope to this form or have asked him/her to mail it.
- ____ I have turned in the teacher recommendation form to my Spanish teacher.
- ____ My parents have read the letter that came with this form and have signed my application.

Parental release:

I have read the letter from Hamden Public Schools regarding the dates and details of the Spain Immersion Program. I am aware and approve of my son/daughter's application to participate in the Spain Immersion Program during the specified dates. As per HPS Board of Education policies, all students must be in good standing in both academics and behavior in order to participate in this program.

Parent/Guardian signature

Date