

# Summer Camps 2014

Coloquia is promoting Summer Camps 2014 age appropriate classes. Starting June 16, children will be able to participate in this much awaited program that engages children in once a week Workshops that advocate fun learning. Each lesson consists of Lecture, Games and Practice, Songs, Hands-On Training and Arts & Crafts...sprinkled by a little Geography.

Enrichment Opportunities During Summer 2014 for the following disciplines:

## Spanish

### Children who learn a second language:

- Make the Grade** Score on average 140 points higher (out of 800!) than students with half a year or less experience on the Critical Reading section, and almost another 140 in the Math section and over 150 points higher on Writing.
- Read Sooner** Studies suggest children who speak more than one language have an added advantage in learning to read. Bilingual children are able to read sooner
- Flex the Brain** Bilingual children who have been exposed to a second language from an early age proved to have the greyest matter of all. Grey matter is responsible for processing information, including memory, speech and sensory perception. And if it can be increased by exposure to a second language, then language learning would be just like taking your brain to the gym!
- Speak Naturally** Children are always mimicking what they hear, and are surprisingly good at it! They are uniquely attuned to slight differences in tone and sound. Their sensitive ears help them pick up on and duplicate the tricky sounds adults and even adolescents often stumble over. By starting early, your children can speak smoothly and confidently from the first.
- Gain Opportunities** As the economy is becoming more and more globalized, bilingual education is an added bonus when applying to scholarships, colleges and jobs. Studying, working or living abroad means having more skills by which to market yourself with.
- Expand Vocabulary** Vocabulary expansion is expected for children who are exposed to a second language. Comparing the second language to their native languages provides them with an opportunity to examine their native language systematically by reinforcing concepts and terms.

**Connect With Cultures** Living in close proximity to Mexico and co-existing with Spanish-speakers all around, children are able to connect through culture and in exploring the world, sounds and people around them.

## *Art ... sprinkled by Geography*

### **Your child will benefit by being able to:**

- Increase awareness of self** Understanding better the own mind, body, and voice and understanding others.
- Improve Communication** Developing clarity and creativity in communication of verbal and nonverbal ideas.
- Deeper understanding** of human behavior, motivation, diversity, culture, and history promoting collaboration and empathy for others
- Promote Equality** Learning about the diversity even within our own nation enhances a child's ability to accept differences, embrace diversity and promote equality.
- Establish a Cultural Identity** Being informed about world currencies, flags, customs, legends and food enable a child to distinguish and identify one culture from the next by those characteristics.
- Raise Awareness** Discovering the differences between other governments, democracy, monarchs and dictatorships can aid a child in better understanding our own system of government by advocating our country's independence, freedoms and rights.
- Contribute Ideas** Understanding of the world that surrounds them, near and far, can help a child be able to contribute cohesive ideas in a Social Studies classroom. Being exposed to geography beforehand enables a child to engage in conversation comprehensively.
- Vacation Cleverly** Children who are exposed to a variety of nations are able to amuse themselves when actually travelling abroad. Being aware of languages, traditions, cuisines, typical dress, climates and agricultures allows a child to appreciate and connect ideas with reality.