My Son/Daughter is interested in participating in the Spanish Immersion Program in Year 8 for the year.

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**Spanish Immersion Program**

**Learning for Life**

**Aprendizaje por vida**

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**Expression of Interest**

I would like to be contacted about the upcoming Spanish Immersion Information Session. At this session, I would like to gain more information about:

**Please NOTE:** Expressions of Interest for Spanish Immersion close on the last day of Term 2. Students who submit an Expression of Interest will be interviewed by Ms Fernandez (Spanish Immersion Coordinator). Selection interviews will take place in Term 3.
What is an Immersion Program?
An Immersion Program provides acceleration students with the deepest possible exposure to a second language and culture. In the program:

- English-speaking students in Years 8-10 receive 50-60% of the curriculum in the second language
- Key Learning Areas such as Maths, SOSE and Food Technology Studies, are taught in the second language.

Immersion programs develop:
- a very high level of language proficiency, linguistic skills and intercultural understanding
- cognitive processes needed in other areas of learning
- resilience and confidence through personal enrichment and challenges
- enhanced listening and thinking skills
- improved study skills, self-discipline, motivation and confidence
- more flexible and creative problem-solving skills
- an increased understanding of how languages work, including an improved understanding of the English language
- improved career and travel opportunities both in Australia and overseas
- a positive group identity leading to improved relationships amongst students and also their teachers
- strong partnerships with parents, teachers & the wider community
- effective life learning experiences
- understanding of others & raises awareness of other cultures.

What personal characteristics make a successful Immersion learner?
Students gain greatest success from an Immersion Program if they exhibit the following personal characteristics:
- enthusiastic participants and learners
- motivated to achieve
- self-confident and self-disciplined
- high level of perseverance
- able to be flexible
- enjoys a challenge
- demonstrated ability in literacy and numeracy
- committed and capable of developing independent learning skills

Why Spanish Immersion?
- After English, Spanish is the fastest growing European language. It is currently the third most spoken language in the world with over 450 million Spanish speakers in the world.
- Develop personal growth with skills to be a global citizen.
- Increase ability to communicate with other people.
- Murrumba State Secondary College is committed in providing students with a world-class education. The Spanish Immersion Program establishes our ongoing commitment to innovatively enrich student-learning areas and support their success.
- Future Pathways for Murrumba SSC Immersion students will include undertaking Spanish Extension in Year 11 & 12, attending head start University courses or studying abroad.
- Offers an exciting opportunity to reach high level of academic achievement & participation.