

READY OR NOT, HERE WE COME!

Spanish students say their final goodbye before heading to the airport. The trip to Costa Rica lasted ten days in total. Students toured numerous destinations and enjoyed activities such as kayaking, ziplining, and white water rafting. To be eligible for the trip, students were required to complete two years of Spanish as well as maintain good grades and behavior during the school year.

Front: A. Welter, H. Bailey, C. Muzney, E. Barrick, A. Ginther, K. Saluk, E. Perez, Z. McKay;
Back Row: Mr. Vargason, K. Osborn, C. Spurr, C. Krogh, A. Anderson, C. Paige, J. Park, E. Brummer, Mrs. Brummer, Mrs. Vargason



A. Ginther, K. Saluk



WORLD TOUR

WORK THOSE ANGLES

Sophomore Katie Saluk takes a selfie over a cliff in Costa Rica. The group was stopped on the road due to a landslide, and many students took the opportunity to take pictures of the mountainous scenery. Small landslides are very common in Costa Rica.

Photo Credit: Sarah Schorle

GRINGOS EN TRES

Sr. Vargason ends the daily meeting on the final night in Costa Rica. The group would end each meeting by chanting "gringos," a slang term used for a non-Latino person, especially Americans. Several other students also led the chant throughout the week, including sophomore Katie Saluk.



CAYMAN, MEET CAYMAN

Sophomore Cayman Muzney stands next to the Caiman alligator (pictured below the hand rail). The group also saw various types of snakes and butterflies at the nature preserve in addition to a gondola tour of two types of forests. Costa Rica is known for its rich biodiversity and is home to 5 percent of the world's biodiversity.



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Vibrant Views

E. Perez, Z. McKay, E. Brummer, J. Park



PICTURE PERFECT

Sophomores Evalyn Perez and Zachary McKay take a selfie with the Arenal Volcano. Costa Rica has numerous volcanos in the mountain regions. The group even had the opportunity to kayak surrounded by these volcanos.



C. Page



C. Krogh



JUMPING FOR JOY

Sophomore Erin Barrick and junior Sarah Schorle jump in front of the world's largest ox cart, located in Sarchi. The group also toured the factory that makes the carts. The carts are well known for their unique art, which can only be produced by the factory in Sarchi.

TREEHUGGERS

Sophomores Evalyn Perez, Zachary McKay, and Evan Brummer plant a tree at the Santa Alana Reserve. The project was started by a local student and has helped protect the habitats for many animals. Students were divided into small groups to plant trees.



K. Osborn



SR. CABEZA BANDERA

Sr. Vargason waits for the bus with a Costa Rican flag on his head. The flag belonged to junior Avery Andersen. The group spent the afternoon shopping at local stores in Monteverde.



PUPPY HUGS

Junior Halsey Bailey holds a squirming puppy at a rest stop. Costa Rica has many stray dogs as regulations on pets are not as strict as regulations in the United States. Strays could often be found roaming both in more forested areas and busier areas like the villages.



Z. McKay



A. Andersen, C. Spurr



TRAILBLAZERS

Juniors Sarah Schorle, Alyssa Ginther, Alana Welter, and sophomore Katie Saluk rejoice at the end of a trail. The group toured the Santa Elena Cloud Forest, so named for the continuous mist that shrouds the forest. In addition to being surrounded by clouds, the students were also surrounded by lush plants and exotic animals.



J. Park

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