

Culver City, California

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Dear Students,

Hello, I'm Ms. Vasquez, your English teacher for the year. I grew up in Dallas, Texas and attended elementary and secondary schools there. I went to college at Loyola Marymount University, where I received a B.A. in English. I studied education and received my teaching credential from Cal State University of Northridge. I have always wanted to be a teacher. For the past few years, I have been a home school instructor, a private tutor, and I completed student teaching at Robert Frost Middle School and Ulysses S. Grant High School. I am looking forward to my third year here at SOCES. The best thing about being a teacher is working with all of my students! You are all inspiring and I love sharing ideas with you and watching you grow.

I have Mexican and Irish heritage, and I love to travel. I enjoy poetry, comedy, and podcasts. I also love reading and writing, and I recently began a book club with my friends. My favorite television shows are Seinfeld, 30 Rock, & The Office. I have a Boston terrier, named Buster, who I love walking around my neighborhood in Culver City.

Throughout this year, I intend to challenge you to become exceptional learners. I will focus on reading and writing skills. I also encourage students to participate in class discussions and to think critically about the texts that we encounter.

I look forward to working with all of you this semester!

Sincerely,

Ms. Vasquez