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SPANISH

I began studying Spanish when I was in 5th grade. I quickly fell in love with the language and Hispanic culture, which led me to continue taking Spanish class through middle school, high school, and college. Fortunately, my high school offered a wonderfully designed International Baccalaureate program in which I had many opportunities to enrich my skills in speaking, reading, and writing Spanish as well as learning about different cultures. At the age of 16, I was incredibly blessed to travel to Costa Rica for my first mission trip, and returned two more times after that to continue interacting with and strengthening Christian bonds with the community of people there. Today, I still enjoy reading books in Spanish, have such a high appreciation for Spanish-speaking cultures around the world and right here in my community, and I look forward to continuing my travels to other Spanish-speaking countries this summer!