

EL CAMPAMENTO DE INMERSIÓN TOTAL EN ESPAÑOL  
AATSP, CAPITULO DE GEORGIA, 2010  
FORTSON 4H CENTER  
HAMPTON, GEORGIA 30228



To: Participants in the AATSP Total Immersion Weekend  
Friday, March 19 through Sunday March 21

From: Heather Young, Di Johnson, Christy Presgrove, Camp Coordinators

On Friday, March 19, 2010 between 4:30-6:30 you will be arriving at Fortson 4H Camp –HISPANIA--- where you will be speaking and hearing nothing but Spanish the entire weekend! I know that you are eagerly awaiting the challenge and learning experience.

The purpose of this letter is to confirm your reservation, to outline the activities of the weekend, to give you directions to the camp and to tell you what you should and should not bring. Enclosed you will find:

- A map to Fortson 4H Camp
- A list of items to bring and not to bring
- A list of expectations, regulations and penalties
- Your passport insert
- A What to Expect Handout

The program will consist of games, social gatherings and workshops. Students are divided into groups – familias . Each familia will participate in a number of activities including 7 workshops scheduled for Saturday. The workshops are assigned in advance in order to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to sample a variety of activities while getting to know other students from all over the State of Georgia. Volunteer teachers will lead the activities, which include games, drama, arts and crafts, music, sports and dance.

Saturday night there will be a Carnaval, featuring a desfile and the selection of the Rey and Reina and their court. Everyone comes to the Carnaval creatively dressed in the Traje Tipico: the more colorful and original, the better! After promenading in the desfile, each student will have the opportunity to compete in a dance competition and in answering a question for the crowd related to the theme, “¿Por que es importante saber otra lengua?” Everyone is encouraged to plan ahead for a brief and clear response (not read from a prepared text!). The overall winners in the pageant will be hailed as Los Reyes de Hispania! Several other interesting surprises are promised during this evening of fun, music and dance.

Sunday morning, we will bring the weekend to a close with the presentation of a familia skit, a Mercado where you will haggle for Hispanic goods, and a program that features recognition of all the students, acknowledging those who have been judged the “mejor” in all areas of participation. These activities will begin around 10 AM. Parents are welcomed to attend. We plan to conclude all activities around noon on Sunday.

Dinner is provided to all those who arrive prior to 6:30PM. Advance notice is requested for any anticipated late arrivals. Camp staff will be contacting parents of students who have not arrived by 7:00 PM. No student will be allowed to join the camp after this time unless prior arrangements have been made with the camp coordinators.

**Prior to March 19 please send any question via email to [Heather\\_young@bellsouth.net](mailto:Heather_young@bellsouth.net). Emergency Contact Number for use ONLY during the weekend: Heather Young 404-304-6646.**

Basic Rules and Regulations:

- As with any school even, fighting, tobacco, alcohol, or any drugs, and vulgarity will not be tolerated and are grounds for dismissal.

- Students will not be allowed outside of their assigned dormitory between lights out and breakfast time without an adult escort.
- No student will be permitted to drive his or her car between registration on Friday afternoon and noon on Sunday. All keys must be surrendered to the coordinator at the aduana when the student checks in.
- There are no public phones for use at the Fortson 4H Center. Students may have cell phones, but they are to be used for EMERGENCY PURPOSES ONLY. Students may not call out on their cell phone unless there is an emergency (because they are not permitted to speak English!) Cell phones will need to be left in the forms.

### **Do Not Bring**

- MP3 players or CD Players with music that is in English
- Earphones or earbuds (you can use them in the dorms, but outside of the dorms we want everyone to be speaking to each other in Spanish!)
- Reading materials in English

Upon arrival suitcases will be inspected at the aduana and all such items will be confiscated and not returned until Sunday. It is the responsible of the individual participant to retrieve any objects that have been confiscated.

**No ENGLISH!** At the aduana, you will receive currency of the country of Hispania. Every time you are caught speaking English, you are subject to forfeit on Peso de Hispania to the person who demands it. Students who make an extra effort to speak Spanish will have the opportunity to receive Pesos de Hispania, awarded by camp staff. The Pesos de Hispania that are accumulated during the weekend will be used in the Mercado on Sunday morning to bargain for Latino goods.

What to bring?

1. Sheets, blankets, or sleeping bag, towels and washcloth. Flip-flops for showering.
2. Casual clothes (jeans, t-shirts, jacket, hoodie, sweatshirt, old shoes\*)
3. Outdoor gear, depending on the weather forecast (raincoat, insect repellent, etc.)
4. Traje Tipico for Carnival. The traje should represent festive styles in the Hispanic world, but there is no need to purchase new clothing. Creativity is encouraged! (Poncho, embroidered blouse or dress, sombreros, colorful jewelry, soccer jersey, cape, etc.)
5. The passport insert, which should be completed before arriving.
6. Extra money for meriendas and refrescos. We will have snacks available for purchase at different times throughout the weekend, so bring small change (dollars, quarters, fives)
7. Paper, pen, pencil
8. Spanish-English dictionary
9. Digital camera to take photos to share when you get back with your classmates
10. Magazines, books, etc. to share with your bunk mates or familia
11. Props for your skit (if you have some fun props that you might be able to use, go ahead and bring them)

**Please remember that this is a CAMP, so bring clothing that is accommodating to this situation. Please do not wear new clothes or shoes, as you will be outside quite a bit. Remember to double-check your list of toiletries, bedding and other personal care items, as there are no stores in the camp area to shop for things you might forget!**

**We hope that you keep in mind that camp accommodations are extremely basic, with multi-bed dormitories and communal showers. There are very limited outlets for hair dryers and other amenities, so please plan accordingly. All of the AATSP-GA staff is strictly visitor-volunteers, who will be arriving at camp approximately the same time as the students. We truly appreciate your spirit of cooperation as we work to adapt our program to unpredictable circumstances of weather and available facilities.**

**PLEASE BE SURE TO REVIEW ALL OF THESE MATERIALS AND INFORMATION BEFORE ATTENDING CAMP TO ENSURE YOU BRING EVERYTHING YOU NEED!!!**

Directions to Camp Fortson 4H Center <http://www.fortson4h.org/Directions.html>

**From the Exit 235:**

\*Continue **STRAIGHT** off exit onto US 19/41 South (15 miles)

\*After about 13 ½ miles, you'll pass the Atlanta Motor Speedway on your right. There you will see a Jumbotron T.V. Screen.

\*About 1 ½ miles past the Jumbotron T.V. Screen, turn **RIGHT** onto GA Hwy 20 access (second right past TV).

\*Continue **STRAIGHT** for about 4 miles (this road becomes the two-lane Lower Woolsey Road as you pass the East Turn of the Speedway)

\*Turn **RIGHT** onto Fortson Rd

\*The center is .6 miles on the left

**From the Exit 218:**

\*Turn **LEFT** onto GA 20 (9miles)

\*Hwy 20 ends at a stop sign, turn **RIGHT** (you will pass the Atlanta Motor Speedway)

\*After about 3 miles, turn **RIGHT** onto Fortson Rd

\*The center is .6 miles on the left

North to  
Downtown  
Atlanta



Exit 235  
Jonesboro/Griffin



Jonesboro



Lovejoy

Exit 218  
Hampton/  
McDonough  
GA Hwy 20



Hampton



Bruton Smith  
Pkwy

GA 20

South  
to Macon



Atlanta Motor  
Speedway



Fortson  
4-H  
Center

Fortson Rd

Lower  
Woolsey Rd





## WHAT TO EXPECT?

When you arrive at Camp Fortson the first place you will stop is the Aduana. Get out of the car, the bus etc, bring your personal items and also your passport insert into the pavilion.

Station 1 – Someone will question you about your belongings asking if you have any “contraband” which include books, music, etc. that are in ENGLISH! Also if you have driven yourself, this person will want your keys. Please give them to them. If you need to move your car, do so and return with your keys. No driving will be allowed during the weekend.

Station 2 – Someone will check you in; give you information about our familia, your schedule and your nametag.

Station 3 – Passports please! Give this person your **COMPLETED** passport insert so they can finish the process and get you a passport so you can legally enter the country of Hispania.

### ***Now what?***

Look in your information and see what dorm you are assigned. Go meet your dorm jefe and unpack. Then it's off to the cafeteria for games, a slideshow, music and meet and greet while people arrive. **No wandering around.** Take your folder with you everywhere and be sure to have your nametag on always.

**No podemos esperar verte.**

# SPANISH IMMERSION CAMP 2010

## PASAPORTE

YOU MUST FILL IN ALL OF THE REQUIRED INFORMATION BELOW AND BRING THIS COMPLETED PASSPORT INSERT WITH YOU TO CAMP. THE PASSPORT COVER WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU WHEN YOU CHECK IN WITH THE ADUANA.

A translation of the required items follows:

- Nombre y apellido – first and last name
- Lugar y fecha de nacimiento - place and date of birth
- Colegio – school name
- Profesor(a) – teacher’s name
- Ciudad – City (location of school)
- Nivel de español – Course level of Spanish
- Familia adoptada – Adopted Family (this will be assigned at camp)
- Fecha – date (this will be stamped in once you get to camp)
- Oficial de Aduana – customs official stamp (leave blank – passport will be stamped at the camp)
- Foto – ATTACH A PHOTO OF YOURSELF IN THIS SECTION!!!!

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Nombre y apellido: \_\_\_\_\_

Nivel de español: \_\_\_\_\_

Lugar y fecha de nacimiento: \_\_\_\_\_

Familia adoptada \_\_\_\_\_

Colegio: \_\_\_\_\_

Ciudad: \_\_\_\_\_

Profesor(a) \_\_\_\_\_

Fecha: \_\_\_\_\_

Oficial de aduana: \_\_\_\_\_

