

Dear parents/tutors,

This letter is to clarify the process of Homologación which will allow Wingate students to have the recognition by the Spanish authorities that a benchmarked level of education, Spanish Language and Literature and Social Sciences has been achieved.

In Year 11, if students pass the internal examinations with a minimum of 50% in Spanish Language (in the top set), Social Science and four GCSE subjects at grade C or higher, they will be awarded the Spanish Secondary Education Certificate. Year 11 is equivalent to 4º ESO (Educación Secundaria Obligatoria) in the Spanish educational system. The internal examinations are based on the Spanish curriculum established by the government and are validated by the Spanish authorities. Please note that simply passing Spanish IGCSE does not guarantee you a pass in the internal examinations for Spanish Language and Literature regulated by the government.

Social Science is a compulsory subject from Year 7 to 9 inclusive. In Years 10 and 11 it continues to be compulsory for those students with Spanish nationality. If your son/daughter is in the Spanish top set and does not have the Spanish nationality, he/she can choose to study Social Sciences. If he/she decides not to do it, they will not have the possibility of obtaining the Spanish Homologación and, consequently, his/her studies at Wingate will not be validated by the Spanish authorities should he/she wish to go to a Spanish school for further education after Year 11.

In the Sixth Form, Year 13 is equivalent to 2º Bachillerato and Wingate students will be awarded the Certificate of Bachiller provided they have at least five GCSE at grade C or higher and either two A Levels or one A Level and two AS awards at grade E or higher. They will also need the Homologación of Year 11 (Spanish Secondary Education Certificate). Students can also have direct entrance to Spanish universities provided they meet certain requirements.

Should you have any question regarding this matter, please contact Señora Barrio, Head of Spanish and Social Sciences.

Please return to the school office.

I (parent/tutor's name)have read and understood the above information about the Spanish Homologación.

My son/daughter's nameNationality

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