

## **Introduction to Halq'eméylem Language Course (9-12)**

*Offered In QUARTER 2 PM at Imagine High*

Students will be exposed to the language of the Indigenous people of this land who have been here for over 9000 years.

During this course, students will be exposed to a variety of vocabulary, such as self-introduction, greetings, months, days of the week, weather, colors, numbers, animals and place names, to name a few. We will do this while following the First Peoples Principles of Learning as well as the Indigenous 4Rs: respect, responsibility, reciprocity, and relationships.

We will learn the language using many different strategies, like games, sound repetition, TPRS, quizzes/tests, graphic art and music.

This course will benefit the students in a way that they will be able to be exposed to the worldview of this land, learning some of the history and story of the Ts'elxwéyew, Pil'alt, Tait, and Semá:th peoples.

The course is open to any students in high school but is very important to respect the timeline of this course; therefore missing classes could impact the student's learning outcome and their ability to improve in language acquisition.

Just like people in Greece speak Greek, people in Japan speak Japanese, people in Azerbaijan speak Azerbaijani, the people who live on this land should be speaking the language of this land, Halq'eméylem.

Any questions or comments, please reach out to Pedro Zullo,  
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**Interested Grade 9/10 students can visit the welcome center to add this course.**

**Interested 11/12 students can visit Mr. Katz for course changes.**

