

Oscar Pérez (Spanish) was born and raised in Bogotá, Colombia, where he began to develop his passion for languages, teaching, and travel. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in French, Spanish, and English from Universidad Pedagógica Nacional in Bogotá, and a Master of Education from Wake Forest University in Winston Salem, North Carolina. He worked as an ESL Teacher in Bogota for six years and then moved to Charlotte, NC, in 2000 where he taught Spanish in Smith Academy for International Languages. In 2003, he moved to Houston and joined HISD; he started teaching French and Spanish at DeBakey High School where he developed a very successful French program. In 2008, he accepted a position in Central District office as the manager of Languages Other than English, where he provided support to teachers and students of all the languages taught in the district. Mr. Pérez was the Foreign Language Department chair and French teacher at HSPVA from 2010 to 2015 and he was one of the school's Assistant Principals for the last two years. He has always been willing to share his passion and excitement for languages and cultures with the students and staff and that is one of the main reasons why he is returning to the classroom. Mr. Perez will also be the sponsor of the Spanish National Honor Society.