

Proposal:

Participate in a reciprocal school-to school cultural exchange, including family homestays, school visits and cultural excursions with the Liceo Veronese Linguistic High School in Montebelluna, Treviso, Italy.

Purpose: Strengthen the Italian language program at Santa Rosa High School

- Promote Study of Italian Language and Culture
- Develop higher levels of proficiency for Italian language learners
- Provide all Santa Rosa High School students opportunities to experience interculturality and develop global competency skills

Details:

Liceo Veronese, <http://www.liceoveronese.it>, is located in Montebelluna in the province of Treviso, about an hour outside of Venice. The English teacher in Italy with whom we would be conducting the exchange is Lidia Garbin. Her email is lidiagarbin@gmail.com.

In the fall, Lidia, and approximately 22 Italian students would stay with SRHS host families for 2 weeks. February 8-18th, 2019, approximately 18 Santa Rosa High School students, myself and one other chaperone would travel to Italy and stay with host families for 10 days. The hosting school takes care of all the logistics for the visiting school, including transport to and from the airport, housing, food, and 3 cultural excursions. SRHS high school families who volunteer to host an Italian student would also have the opportunity to send their child to Italy, even though travel to Italy is not required in order to host.

Estimated expenses:

\$4000 Transportation and field trips in October
\$980 8 Release Days for Carla Forchini (3 in the fall, 5 in the spring)
\$700 5 Release Days for Mark Wardlaw (5 in the spring)
\$1000 per student for flights, airporter and miscellaneous travel-related expenses in the Spring

Costs shall be covered through a combination of grants, donations, and fundraising.