



Rosetta Stone for ICS families is here!

But first note: THE NUMBER OF AVAILABLE ACCOUNTS IS VERY LIMITED. So before I introduce our program, let me tell about the **Free Library of Philadelphia's COMPLETELY FREE online language program with NO LIMIT to how many of you out there can access it as often as you wish!** I would highly recommend checking out their program first to see if it meets your language learning interests and needs.

Instructions for accessing the Library's FREE, UNLIMITED online language program:

1. Make sure that you have a working Library card and that you have a pin number for accessing the Library's online services. You can get your pin set up by visiting your local branch.
2. Visit the Free Library's home page: www.freelibrary.org.
3. Click on the "databases" link in the top left corner directly under the big word "Find".
4. Scroll WAY down the screen until you get to the subject heading "Languages".
5. Click on "Mango Languages".
6. Enter your Library card number and pin to enter the site.
7. Create a login name and password for yourself and start learning! 😊

Rosetta Stone Online Language Learning

This year, thanks to the organizational efforts of our wonderful World Language Coach, M. Leonor, ICS has 35 Rosetta Stone online language learning accounts available to share with our families!

- 20 parent accounts are designated for learning Spanish, 10 for English, and 5 for Arabic.
- You may sign up for the accounts one trimester at a time. They will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis; a waiting list will be kept if an account is not available at the time of your request in the language you wish to learn. You may also reserve a spot for a specific trimester in the future if you are busy now but you will have time available later this year.
- If no one is "in line" for your account at the end of a trimester, you may continue using it for the next trimester. If there is a waiting list, you may add your name again at the end of the list.

The trimesters will run on the following schedule:

- 1st Trimester: Oct. 10-Dec. 30 (12 weeks)
- 2nd Trimester: Jan. 6-Mar. 30 (12 weeks)
- 3rd Trimester: Apr. 9-Jun. 29 (12 weeks)

(Registration instructions on the reverse!)

Register for Rosetta Stone

Email Tr. Jenny at jennyh@icscharter.com with the subject heading “Rosetta Stone” and the following information:

1. Your first and last name
2. Your student’s first and last name
3. The language you would like to learn (Spanish, English, or Arabic)
4. The trimester in which you would like to study (1st, 2nd, or 3rd)

Tr. Jenny will email you on Sunday, Oct. 9 to confirm your registration and give you the information you need to get started. If you have been “waitlisted” or you requested a future trimester, she will confirm your place on the waitlist.

Please only register for an account if you plan to use it on a very regular basis (no fewer than three 30-minute sessions per week). If your account is not being put to good use, we will give you a friendly reminder to get crackin’. If you are still not finding time to use it, we will reassign your account to the next person on the waiting list.

****It is possible that not everyone who would like to use Rosetta Stone this year will have a chance. But that is the beauty of the Free Library’s FREE and UNLIMITED program! No one has to go without!****



Need Internet Access?

If you do not have regular access to a computer/the Internet, consider the following options so that you, too, can become an online language learner!

- If your student currently qualifies for free lunch and you live in a Comcast service area, call them *today* to get set up with your **Comcast Internet Essentials** account (\$10 per month!) and a new NetBook computer (\$150). **1-855-846-8376**
- Check out one of the **FREE Freedom Rings Computer Centers** popping up all over Philly (<http://freedomringspartnership.com/locations>, 215.851.1990 or Philly 311). The centers also offer *free* computer classes!!
- Use the computers at your **local library**.
- Sign up with Tr. Jenny (jennyh@icscharter.com, x2500) for a regular timeslot to use one of our **parent laptops** at ICS.