

School Tour & Education System Connecting Classrooms Activity 1

Summary: You will create a video tour of your school, share about your daily routine/school life, or create an informational video about the education system where you live.

Video length: 3 - 4 minutes

Audience: Students at your partner school abroad who are curious about daily school life and the education system in your country

Your video should include:

1. Introduce yourself (each member of group, if not an individual)
 - a. Your first name
 - b. Purpose of the video ("We're here to tell you," "we're going to show you...")
2. Discuss the topic
3. Ending – What questions do you have for the other students about this topic?

Suggested topics:

Option 1. Video tour of your school/daily school life

- What time do you wake up? How do you get to school? What time does school start?
- What are your classrooms like? Do you have only one classroom or do students rotate between classrooms during the day?
- What materials and resources does your school provide (textbooks, library, media center, gymnasium, etc.)?
- Where do you eat lunch? What do you eat for lunch?
- Do you have breaks between classes? Do you have recess or periods of free time? Where can students go during their lunch break or free periods during the school day?
- What classes/subjects does your school offer? Can students choose the classes will they take?
- At what time does your school day end?
- What do students typically do after school?
- What do you call/ how do you refer to your teachers? (e.g. Sra. López, Laura, Profe, Sir, Madame)

Option 2. Education System

- What type of schools are there in your community? (e.g. public, private, charter)
- What grade levels are mandatory and what grade levels are optional? What subjects/courses are mandatory for students? What optional subjects/courses are typically offered and/or are most popular among students?
- What are the course requirements in your country/state/school district?
- What options do students have after high school? (e.g. vocational training, college/university, work opportunities)
- What are exams and testing like? How does college admissions work?

Tips for video recording:

- Clean your camera lens
- If using a phone, hold the phone horizontal, not vertical
- Make sure the audio is clear (if the place is too noisy, try getting closer or recording the audio after)