

4. International Travel Application
message

Jennifer Mernick, science OMS

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EF Costa Rica Adventure 2024
- OMS 7th + 8th Graders (as of 2024)

Thanks for filling out 4. International Travel Application

Here's what was received.

Edit response

4. International Travel Application

Please fill out this form. YOU WILL NEED TO PRINT IT AND SUBMIT A HARDCOPY. The form will go to the Principal, the Superintendent, and then the School Committee for approval. Please leave time to meet with the Principal and revise before submission. Complete the first draft to the best of your ability.

PROCESS FOR SUBMISSION: Please make a copy of, personalize the copy (if necessary) & print a copy of each and schedule a meeting with the International Travel Coordinator (currently the Principal).

OMS

~~AMS~~ - International Travel Application (THIS FORM)

International Trip Application - Signature Form

Legal Documents - Medical Info, Permission to Treat & Release from liability

Trip Selection Criteria & Behavior Contract

Trip "School Board Packet"

Trip Itinerary

Any other trip provider forms and contracts

You may also want to send the Travel Questionnaire for Travel Agencies to your travel representative before filling out this form, so that you can simply cut and paste their answers into this document.

SEE FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS HERE:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1VzeNTstMksLgvb8oyonObPeZdP-RSi4N?usp=sharing>

Your email (jmernick@arlington.k12.ma.us) was recorded when you submitted this form.

Your name? *

Jennifer Mernick

In what department and at which school does the lead teacher work? *

Ottoson Middle School Science

Trip Basics

Please provide some basic information about this trip.

Destination (City(s)/Country): *

Costa Rica

Departure Date *

MM DD YYYY

04 / 13 / 2024

Return Date *

MM DD YYYY

04 / 20 / 2024

How will you be traveling to your destination? (bus, plane, train, etc) *

Plane

How will you be traveling around your destination once you have arrived? (bus, plane, train, etc) *

What is the purpose of this trip? (cultural, student exchange, homestay, etc) *

Cultural, Educational

Briefly describe the educational purpose/value of this trip. *

Our tours help prepare students for the future by teaching them more about the world, themselves, and the impact they can have on the world. Combining the power of experiential learning with the thrill of global travel, our tours help students:

- Expand their knowledge of the world around them
- Grow more confident and independent
- Understand new people, places, and cultures
- Discover more about themselves

Will any school be missed by those attending? (Yes or No) *

Ideally no, but there is a very slight chance of 1-2 days missed

If school will be missed, what steps will be taken to minimize the impact?

Students will all check in with teachers prior to departure and be responsible for all make-up work.

Who can attend this trip? Is it geared toward particular students? Grade levels? etc. (Requirements for participation should be clearly stated on the Trip Policy & Behavior Contract to be signed by parents. Edits to this document can be made on your own copy) *

The trip is open to students who will be in 7th or 8th grade at OMS during April 2024.

How much does the trip cost (an estimate is fine) per student? *

\$3299.00

What is included in the cost of the trip? *

EVERYTHING YOU GET:

Full-time Tour Director

Entrances: Coffee tour; Tirimbina Biological Reserve
chocolate tour; Sarapiquí River whitewater rafting; hot springs;
Lake Arenal kayaking; La Fortuna Waterfall; Arenal Volcano
National Park; Rincón de la Vieja National Park; Palo Verde boat
tour; snorkeling

weShare: Our personalized learning experience engages
students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create
a final, reflective project for academic credit.

All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major
carriers; comfortable motorcoach; 7 overnight stays in
hotels; 3 meals daily (Days 2-7); dinner on arrival day;
breakfast on departure day

What is NOT included in the cost of the trip? What expenses will students incur
during the trip? *

Snacks, gratuities, lunch on departure day, spending money for gifts etc., necessary fees to
obtain a passport, transportation to airport for departure.

Chaperones

Arlington Public Schools requires a minimum of 2 teacher chaperones for all international travel (3
preferred). One male and one female is required.

What is the name and email address for the lead chaperone? *

Jennifer Mernick

Please provide the names and emails of all chaperones. (Non-district employees
must be approved by administration and complete a CORI before the trip)

To be determined

Travel Company

What is the name of the agency with whom you have worked to plan this trip? *

EF, Education First

What is the name, phone number and/or email address of the individual agent(s) with whom you have worked? *

Charlie Henderson (she/her) charlie.henderson@ef.com, 1-800-637-8222

Describe the trip insurance plan and liability. (Trip insurance usually includes coverage for emergency travel home, trip cancellation, etc. This is NOT just liability.) *

For the entire group:

Peace of Mind Program

This program provides our group with flexibility to change our trip during uncertain times and for

unforeseen circumstances.

For each traveler:

Global Travel Protection (included)

Included for all travelers, this plan provides coverage for baggage and property, trip cancellation and interruption, and more.

Risk-free enrollment period

Global Travel Protection Plus (+\$295)

Available to all travelers upon enrollment, this plan allows for cancellation for any reason up to 24 hours prior to departure.

In the event of cancellation, describe the refund date(s) and policy. (Include a print out of this information attached the Trip Policy & Behavior Contract that is signed by students and parents/guardians) *

https://www.eftours.com/eliterature/bookingconditions_etus_23.pdf

How do students register for this trip? (online with travel company, through lead teacher, through the school, etc) *

Students register directly through EF.

If there is a payment plan, or options, please describe. *

There is a payment plan through EF as well as insurance options.

Option 1: Pay in full at enrollment (free)

Pay the entire balance at the time you enroll.

Payment methods accepted: Visa or MasterCard, ATM/debit card and personal checks.

Option 2: Automatic Payment Plan (free)

After you enroll with the \$95 deposit, payments are automatically deducted from your bank account.

Choose your payment frequency:

Monthly payments based on a preferred date

Bi-weekly payments on a preferred weekday

Payments are scheduled until 30 days prior to departure

Payment methods accepted: ATM/debit card or checking account only.

Option 3: Manual Payment Plan (\$50 plan fee)

Receive invoices and make your payments in less frequent installments.

Payment schedule:

\$95 deposit due upon enrollment

\$190 Global Travel Protection plan fee due upon enrollment (if required by your Group Leader or requested by traveler)

\$500 due 30 days after enrollment

\$500 due 90 days after enrollment

Remaining balance due 110 days prior to departure

Payment methods accepted: Visa or MasterCard, ATM/debit card and personal checks.

What is the process for students who may have difficulty paying for this trip? *

Advertising the trip early gives students/families the opportunity to have a long-term payment plan to keep monthly costs manageable.

If the company provides fundraising opportunities, please explain.

EF makes it easy for travelers to raise money for their trip by providing an online fundraising page that they can share with others. Secure online contributions from friends, family, and community members are applied directly to a traveler's tour balance. Travelers can find this page by logging in to their account, navigating to their payments page, and selecting the "fundraising" card.

Please upload a "School Board Packet," if provided by the travel agency. (Be sure the document includes the lead teacher name, the phrase "School Board Packet" and destination city in its title)

Submitted files



School Board Packet - Jennifer Mernick.pdf

Pre-Trip Prep

Describe how you will disseminate information about this trip to students. *

Posters, the GOPTO newsletter, announcements in school and emails sent to parents on Admins weekly updates.

Describe how you will communicate with parents before the trip. (Parent meetings, informational website, etc) *

Primarily email for everyday communication with a few meetings either in person or over zoom.

During the Trip

Please attach your trip itinerary. (Be sure the document includes the lead teacher name, the phrase "Itinerary" and destination city in its title) *

Submitted files

 Costa Rica 2024 Itinerary - Jennifer Mernick.pdf

Describe how you will factor emergency expenses into the trip budget. *

Students will be providing trip leaders with cash for gratuity. Adult trip leaders will also have personal cash and credit cards for emergencies.

Describe how you will communicate with parents/guardians during the trip. *

Email with brief updates on each days' adventure.

Describe how you will communicate with administration during the trip. *

Via email or phone as needed.

In order to officially submit this, you will need to PRINT AND SUBMIT to the Principal all of the required documents (See above). Have you submitted? *



I have printed and submitted the required documents to the Principal.

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Watch our planet's endless geological drama in action, from the Arenal Volcano to the thunderous La Fortuna Waterfall. Enjoy a chocolate tasting as you learn how cocoa is harvested at Tirimbina Biological Reserve, and experience the thrill of whitewater rafting on the Sarapiquí River. Over on the Pacific Coast, discover raw natural beauty in Rincón de la Vieja and Palo Verde National Parks.

EVERYTHING YOU GET:



Full-time Tour Director



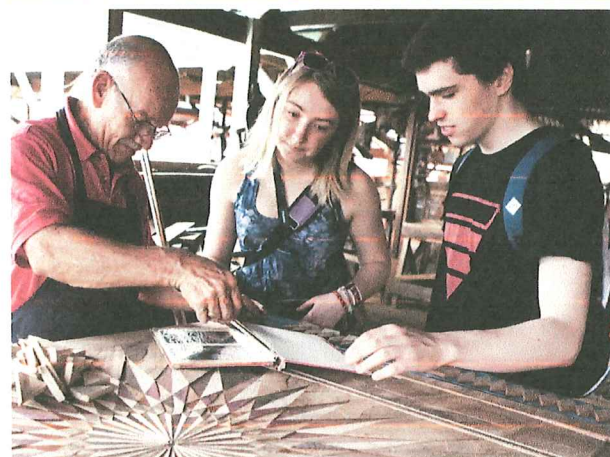
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Anyone can see the world.

YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your **Tour Director** in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, **weShare**, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. **Expert local guides** will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

@EFtours I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school #traveltuesday

— MELISSA, TRAVELER



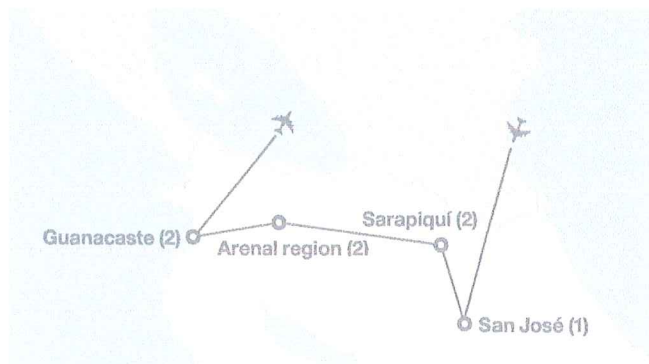
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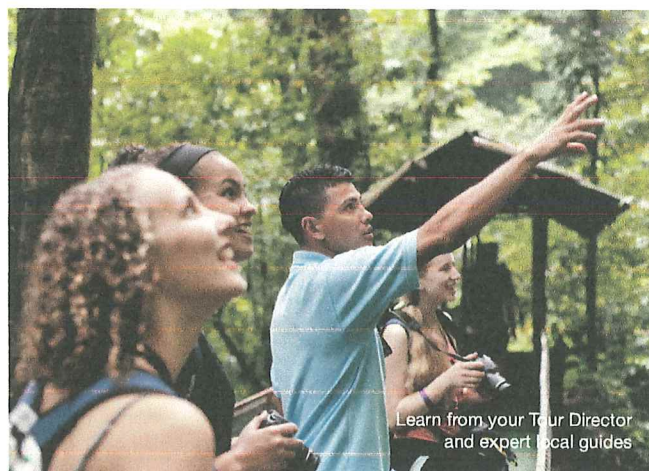
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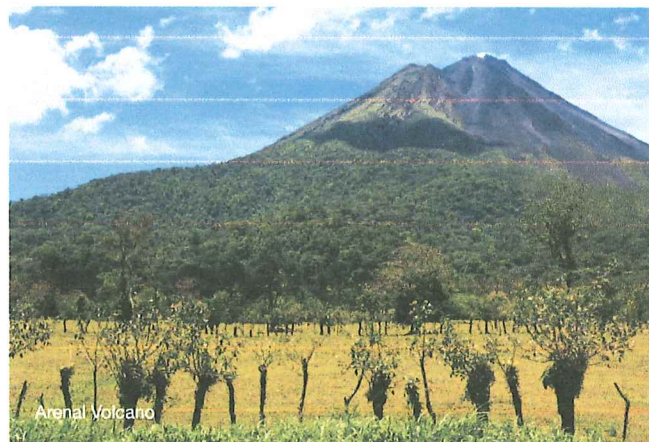
Your teacher's Tour Website



This tour may be reversed



Learn from your Tour Director and expert local guides



Arenal Volcano



Via Instagram

What you'll experience on your tour

Day 1: Fly to Costa Rica

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport.

Day 2: San José | Sarapiquí

- Start the day with a coffee tour and learn how Costa Rica's plantations produce some of the world's best beans. Explore the entire supply chain of the famous Costa Rican coffee bean, from the fields where it's grown to the cafes where it's brewed, and discover the essential role coffee plays in the country's agriculture and economy.
- Travel to Sarapiquí.
- Time to see more of Sarapiquí or [enjoy a ziplining tour](#).

Day 3: Sarapiquí

- Take a chocolate tour at the Tirimbina Biological Reserve.
- Enjoy a whitewater rafting excursion on the Sarapiquí River.

Day 4: Sarapiquí | Arenal region

- Travel to the Arenal region.
- Enjoy a hike through Arenal Volcano National Park.
- Relax in the hot springs.

Day 5: Arenal region

- Take a kayaking trip along Lake Arenal and behold the perfect conical shape that emerges from the green hills of Alajuela: this is the fascinating Arenal Volcano. Overlooking the San Carlos plain and the Pacific lowlands, this mile-high volcano has been active for the past 7,000 years. You'll see the volcano from a different angle on your kayaking excursion. Not only does the volcano serve as a watershed for the lake, but it also provides thermal energy for the nearby hot springs.
- Visit La Fortuna Waterfall.

Day 6: Guanacaste

- Travel to Guanacaste, where you'll feel the sand between your toes as you become immersed in this natural wonderland. The emerald Pacific glimmers alongside miles of beaches—an ideal setting for divers, surfers, and boaters. Take in the craggy bluffs cloaked in forests stretching tall above you and encounter local cattle ranchers driving oxen carts farther inland. Learn about Guanacaste's remarkable array of plant and animal life when you explore Rincón de la Vieja National Park. Located high in the mountains, this rain/cloud forest boasts numerous geothermal hot springs.
- Visit Rincón de la Vieja National Park.

Day 7: Guanacaste

- Travel to Palo Verde National Park.
- Take a boat tour of Palo Verde.
- Spend the afternoon snorkeling in the crystal blue waters.

Day 8: Depart for home

- Travel to Liberia and board your flight home.

I recently returned from Costa Rica and it was awesome! EF is a great support for teachers who want to take students abroad. The Costa Rica tour included an excellent mix of excursions that were adventurous, fun, and educational! A great trip!

—JENNA, GROUP LEADER



Via Facebook

Costa Rica was absolutely amazing! It truly was a great adventure. Our tour director was fantastic beyond words. She was so personable, and her knowledge of Costa Rica's history, culture, and flora and fauna was incredibly remarkable.

—KRISTEN, TRAVELER



Via Facebook

TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY, OR EXPLORE

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

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Cambridge, MA 02141

My daughter has gained such an amazing view of the world and history from this experience. She has not stopped talking since I picked her up at the airport. Thank you for all the organization, helpful hints, flexible payment plan, and knowledgeable tour guides.

—CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



Tour review

THE WORLD LEADER IN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

For over 50 years EF has been working toward one global mission: *Opening the World Through Education*. Your teacher has partnered with EF because of our unmatched worldwide presence, our focus on affordability, and our commitment to providing experiences that teach critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, and global competence. What's more:

- **We always offer the lowest prices** so more students can travel.
- **We're fully accredited, just like your school**, so you can earn credit while on tour.
- **All of our educational tours feature experiential learning activities** and visits to the best sites.
- **We're completely committed to your safety.** We have more than 600 schools and offices in over 50 countries around the world, so local EF staff members can react quickly and in person wherever you travel.
- **Your full-time Tour Director is with your group** every step of the way on tour, providing insight about your destinations as well as great local tips.



General Terms and Conditions

These Booking Conditions are valid for all EF tours departing after October 1, 2022. All tours are operated outside of the U.S. by EF Education First International, Ltd., Switzerland. EF Institute for Cultural Exchange, Inc. is a marketing service provider for that company and is referred herein together with EF Education First International, Ltd. as "EF."

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM PRICE?

- Round-trip airfare
- Accommodations in hotels with private bathrooms
- A Tour Director available 24 hours a day from when you arrive until you depart
- Breakfast and dinner daily in Europe. (For non-European destinations different meal plans may apply.)
- Sightseeing tours and excursions led by licensed local guides as specified
- Airport transfers and transportation between destination cities
- Transportation to all included activities
- Entrance fees and theater tickets as specified
- EF walking tours and Tour Director-led sightseeing as specified
- Cruises, trains, or ferries as specified
- Adult supplement (if applicable)
- 24-hour worldwide emergency service
- Support from EF representatives abroad
- EF backpack and luggage tag for each tour

The above apply to all tours unless otherwise noted on the tour itinerary. If we ever fail to provide you with any of the above, we will refund you its value upon your return from the tour.

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE?

- Rooming supplement (if applicable)
- Optional excursions (except where indicated)
- Global Travel Protection plan or Global Travel Protection Plus plan (except where indicated)
- Beverages and lunches (except where indicated)
- Transportation to free-time activities
- Customary gratuities (for your Tour Director, bus drivers, and local guides)
- Portage
- Any applicable baggage-handling fees imposed by the airlines (see eftours.com/baggage for complete details)
- Expenses caused by airline rescheduling, cancellations, or delays caused by the airlines, bad weather, or events beyond EF's control (see next page for details)
- Passport, visa, and reciprocity fees or any other fees associated with entry to or exit from a specific destination

GROUP TRAVEL

How does group travel work?

We believe that all students should have the opportunity to travel, which means we do everything we can to keep our program prices the lowest in the industry without sacrificing quality. One of the ways we do that is by combining groups to fill a tour bus so that all travelers help cover the costs of the bus, the Tour Director, local guides, etc. Consolidating groups also allows travelers to meet students from other schools, although groups may not be of the same age level.

Therefore, in order for everyone to travel for the lowest price possible, group travel requires some flexibility. Each group submits its preferred tour choices and travel dates, and then we book all of the groups with the same requested tours on one

specific departure date. Because EF is the largest student travel provider, it's rare that groups do not travel on their first-choice tour. However, on occasion, we may need to book your group on a second-choice tour. In the event we cannot offer for booking a tour comparable to your first-choice tour, travelers can opt to receive a full refund. Once a program is booked, EF's Standard Cancellation Policy applies. EF strives to keep departure dates within two days of the requested date for tours departing October through April and within four days of the requested date for tours departing May through September. Your final tour itinerary and travel dates will be confirmed approximately two months prior to departure. In enrolling on a group travel program, you are also making the decision to travel with your chosen Group Leader who retains the ability to change the requested tour itinerary or travel dates on your and your group's behalf.

Anything else I need to know about my itinerary?

Based on your travel dates, there may be times when it becomes necessary to modify your itinerary. Sometimes this involves changing the order in which cities are visited, altering your length of stay in a city or country, or using an alternate airport. On certain days, especially holidays, some tour inclusions may be unavailable. In such cases, we will substitute different inclusions or provide a refund for missed inclusions after the tour. Tours are designed for students, as reflected in the pacing, accommodations, and other aspects of the tour.

PRIVATE GROUPS

What if my group wants to travel on our own without being consolidated?

If you want the privacy of your own tour bus and Tour Director, you can choose to travel as a private group. This option is available for an additional fee, which varies based on the final number of paying travelers. If your group fills a standard-size tour bus, the private group option is free. The itinerary may not be modified while on tour (i.e. you do not have the tour bus at your disposal); however you are able to make certain tour modifications prior to the tour departure. Although your base itinerary will include only your group, you may be consolidated with others during optional excursions. Also, due to flight and hotel availability, we require the same departure date flexibility as described above. Please let EF know prior to your first enrollment if you would like to be a private group.

What if my group is traveling on a customized tour?

If your group is traveling on a customized tour, you will automatically be traveling as a private group. The tour price for your customized tour can fluctuate based on the group size and will be finalized based on the number of paying travelers at the time of departure.

ENROLLMENT

EF incurs substantial non-recoverable staff costs and other expenses from the time of initial enrollment in processing traveler applications, beginning the planning and preparation needed for your and your group's tour program, and offering flexible policies like the Peace of Mind program and eligibility for discounts on other EF programs. As a result, all travelers must pay a non-refundable, non-transferable \$95 enrollment fee to complete their enrollment. All traveler enrollment applications must be received by EF by at least 110 days prior to departure.

What is the cost of a name correction?

Travelers must provide their complete first, middle, and last names and dates of birth as they appear (or will appear) on their passports. Any corrections to match passport names made after 110 days prior to departure require that we change the flight reservation, resulting in a minimum fee of \$200 per airline up to the cost of a new published fare ticket. This may also result in a different flight itinerary from the rest of the group. Travelers who have not yet applied for a passport should provide their full name and date of birth as they appear on their birth certificate.

Are there discounts for repeat travelers?

After travel is completed on their first tour, repeat travelers will receive a \$100 repeat traveler discount off of the program fee for future tours. (EF Explore America repeat travelers will receive a \$50 repeat traveler discount off future EF tours.) Travelers who completed their first tour prior to 2003 or who cancel their tour prior to traveling are not eligible for a repeat traveler discount. The repeat traveler discount is non-refundable, non-transferable, and has no cash value.

How do travelers enroll?

Enrollment Applications and payment can be submitted to EF in any of the following ways:

- Online: eftours.com/enroll

– Phone: 800-665-5364

– Mail:
EF Educational Tours
EF Center Boston
Two Education Circle
Cambridge, MA 02141

For your convenience, travelers are automatically enrolled in paperless billing. Travelers who prefer to receive invoices by mail may request this by logging into their account at eftours.com or by calling 800-665-5364.

Can a traveler enroll on a waitlist if the tour is full?

Upon the discretion of the Group Leader, a waitlist may be offered for full tours. The \$95 non-refundable enrollment fee is required for waitlist enrollments. If space becomes available on the tour and the applicant chooses to enroll, EF's payment plan and cancellation policies apply immediately. If space is not available by 14 days prior to departure or if the applicant cancels from the waitlist, the \$95 non-refundable enrollment fee will be refunded.

Can children under 11 go on tour?

We do not allow children under the age of 6 to travel with us. Travelers ages 6-10 must have an adult chaperone other than the Group Leader and will have to room with that chaperone. Travelers may choose to stay in a family room (a room with two twin beds and a cot) or in a twin (a room with two beds). Applicable fees will apply.

Can adults go on tour?

EF's published program prices are based on student rates for transportation, admissions, accommodations, etc. We welcome adults (those age 20 and older, including those who will turn 20 while on tour) but have to charge a per-person flat fee supplement of \$100 plus \$70 per night of the tour to cover the difference between student and adult rates. Adults will pay an additional \$70 per night for the sea portion of their tour on overnight ferries and cruises, where applicable. Please see next page for information on adult rooming. Groups comprised of a majority of adults must select the private group option. All adult travelers will be required to complete a background check through a third party company prior to traveling. EF reserves the right to cancel any traveler if, in EF's sole discretion, it determines the results pose a risk to the group's safety or wellbeing.

LATE ENROLLMENTS

Can a traveler enroll after 110 days prior to departure?

Yes. A traveler may submit a late enrollment request 109 days or fewer prior to departure. The traveler must enroll on the tour, pay a non-refundable \$150 late enrollment fee, and make full payment of the current program fee. The traveler will be placed on a waiting list while we check bus, flight, and hotel availability. The traveler is responsible for any additional charges that may apply. We may also offer an alternate flight to meet up with the tour or the option of arranging your own flight and buying the land-only portion of the tour.

If we are unable to place the traveler on a tour or the traveler does not wish to pay the additional charges, the traveler may cancel their enrollment request and receive a full refund.

PASSPORTS, VISAS, OTHER TRAVEL DOCUMENTS & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Who is responsible for obtaining a traveler's passport, visas, and other travel documents and for complying with a destination's entry requirements?

Each traveler is solely responsible for obtaining prior to departure a valid passport, applicable visas, and any other required travel documents, as well as verifying and satisfying the entry and exit requirements necessary for each destination of the tour itinerary. This may include required medical documents, testing, or proof of vaccinations (including any requirement to provide proof of full and up to date COVID-19 vaccination). All U.S. passports must be valid for at least six months following the tour's return date, and travelers will need to provide passport information to EF by 110 days prior to departure. Non-U.S. citizens will need to contact the embassy or consulate of their destination countries to ensure they meet specific entry requirements. Remember to check your itinerary carefully for all countries that will be visited (including countries visited in transit). Visit the U.S. Department of State's travel website at www.travel.state.gov for more information. If a traveler is unable to obtain these travel documents or meet any applicable entry or exit requirement, EF's Standard Cancellation Policy will apply and travelers will be solely responsible for any incurred expenses.

CAN I HELP PROTECT MY INVESTMENT?

Global Travel Protection plan

Travelers can help protect their investment from the unexpected with the offered Global Travel Protection plan. Designed specifically with EF travelers in mind, this plan includes both pre and post departure benefits, which includes medical expense coverage that may apply on tour and tour cancellation for stated reasons such as serious injury or illness or financial hardship due to job loss. All benefits are subject to the limits, terms, and exclusions of the policy available at <https://ahptravelcare.com/EFEducationalTours>. Learn more at eftours.com/protection. The Global Travel Protection plan becomes non-refundable after any of the following occur: when you depart on your tour, when you file a claim, or 10 days after receipt.

Global Travel Protection Plus plan

Along with providing the same benefits in the standard Global Travel Protection plan, travelers who purchase the Global Travel Protection Plus plan receive additional pre-tour cancellation benefits. Travelers are able to cancel their tour up to 24 hours prior to departure for any reason and receive a refund of their tour program cost (less the cost of the plan, the non-refundable enrollment fee, and other Non-Refundable Fees) through this EF provided cancel for any reason waiver benefit. Learn more at eftours.com/protection. The Global Travel Protection Plus plan must be purchased at the time of enrollment and is non-refundable after any of the following occur: when you depart on your tour, when you file a claim, or 10 days after receipt.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Which airlines are used by EF?

EF reserves seats with major airlines, including Aer Lingus, Air Canada, Air France, Air New Zealand, Alitalia, American, British Airways, Copa Airlines, Delta, Iberia, Icelandair, KLM, LATAM Airlines, Lufthansa, Qantas, Swiss, United, Virgin Atlantic Airways, and other U.S. and international carriers. Our contracts do not allow upgrades, stopovers, or the accrual of frequent flier miles.

What will my flights be like?

We always do our best to provide the most direct route to your destination city. However, due to available flight routings, we cannot guarantee non-stop or direct flights. Sometimes, groups may travel on an overnight red-eye flight, departing the evening before the tour is scheduled to begin. In rare cases, groups may have a domestic and/or international overnight, layover, and/or bus transfer. Based on seat availability and the size of the plane, we may not be able to accommodate all members of a group on the same flight, in which case the Group Leader will determine on which flight itinerary each traveler will travel. In such instances that a traveler is not satisfied with their flight assignment, standard cancellation fees apply. We are not able to pre-assign seating. Seat assignments will be provided upon check-in. Depending on your group's size, travelers may or may not sit together. Some countries may require aircraft insecticide treatment for inbound foreign flights. A list of such countries is available at eftours.com/insecticide.

Do I have to travel on all legs of my flight itinerary?

You must travel on all legs of your itinerary. If you do not travel on a portion of your flights, the remaining portions will be cancelled. You will be responsible for purchasing a new ticket as well as for any service fees charged by the airlines.

What happens if my flight is delayed?

EF is not responsible for airline schedule changes or mechanical, weather, or capacity-related flight delays; however, visit eftours.com/protection for benefits offered in the Global Travel Protection plan and Global Travel Protection Plus plan.

Are any airports interchangeable?

Flights to and from the following destinations may originate/end at any of the airports in that vicinity. On occasion, the tour may return to a different airport than the one you departed from.

- Chicago: O'Hare or Midway
- Dallas: Dallas/Fort Worth or Dallas Love Field
- Houston: George Bush Intercontinental or Hobby
- Miami: Fort Lauderdale or Miami
- New York: LaGuardia, JFK, or Newark
- San Francisco: Oakland, San Jose, or San Francisco
- Washington, D.C./Baltimore: BWI, Dulles, or Ronald Reagan National

- Ireland: Cork or Shannon
- Italy: Milan or Venice
- Scotland: Edinburgh or Glasgow

Are there flight restrictions for travelers under 18?

Anyone younger than 18 years old traveling apart from the group without an adult companion must contact each airline on the minor's itinerary and may need to register as an unaccompanied minor per the airlines' policies. Some airlines will not allow minors under 15 years of age to travel without an adult companion. Any resulting fees will be assessed by the airlines and are the responsibility of the traveler. Additionally, travelers younger than 18 years old are not permitted to travel land-only unless accompanied by an adult traveling on the tour.

SPECIAL TRAVEL REQUESTS

EF is happy to provide stay-ahead/stay-behind options, alternate departure airports, and land-only tours for individual travelers or the whole group. If you have requested special travel arrangements, EF cannot guarantee that you will fly with your group in either direction.

What if the whole group wants to do a stay-ahead or stay-behind?

Where possible, EF will provide altered flight and/or land arrangements for a group of at least six paying travelers plus the Group Leader. Each traveler will have to pay any additional air and/or land costs. The Group Leader should submit one request for the whole group, which needs to be received prior to the first enrollment.

What if only one traveler has a special travel request?

Individual special travel requests should be submitted online at eftours.com by 110 days prior to departure. Please keep in mind that you should not make any actual arrangements—such as booking a flight or hotel—until final tour itinerary and departure date have been finalized (around 60 days prior to departure). A \$150 service fee plus any additional air and/or land costs will be charged. Travelers younger than 15 years old are not permitted to do individual special travel unless accompanied by an adult traveling on the tour.

What are the types of individual special travel requests?

- Individual stay-ahead/stay-behind option: Where possible, EF will provide altered flight arrangements, according to a traveler's request. Travelers are responsible for making their own arrangements to and from the hotel or airport as well as all land arrangements pertaining to their individual itinerary.
- Alternate departure airports: Program prices are based on group departures. If an individual chooses to fly out of a different airport than the group, the program price of the alternate airport will apply. Travelers must depart from and return to the same domestic airport.
- Land-only tours: On certain tours, travelers have the option to make their own flight arrangements and join the tour at the first hotel on the itinerary. Travelers are responsible for making their own arrangements to and from the hotel or airport. In this case, the program price will be reduced depending on the length and destination of the tour. EF is not responsible for any travel-related delays or inconveniences for land-only travelers. Additionally, travelers younger than 18 years old are not permitted to travel land-only unless accompanied by an adult traveling on the tour.

EXCURSIONS

What are excursions?

EF offers these activities in addition to what is already included on the itinerary. Most Group Leaders choose to add excursions to all traveler accounts.

When should I purchase excursions?

To secure a discounted price, most excursions need to be purchased by 50 days prior to departure (70 days for Versailles). Some excursions may be purchased on tour, though at an increased price.

Are excursions refundable?

If EF cancels an excursion (due to low enrollment, for example), travelers will receive a full refund for the excursion after returning home from tour. To receive a refund for an excursion that you simply no longer wish to be enrolled in, you must let us know by 50 days prior to departure or no refund will be given.

ROOMING

EF handles final rooming assignments for all travelers. We make rooming assignments based on the sex identified on your passport. If you tell us you identify as a different sex, we will work to accommodate you. Please ensure that all rooming requests are submitted by 110 days prior to departure.

How are students roomed?

Students will room in triples or quads with others of the same sex from the entire tour group. This means that students from different schools may room together. EF uses hotels with rooms that contain two double beds (beds for two people). Two students are expected to share each bed.

Can students request a twin room?

Students may request twin accommodations (a hotel room with two single beds) by submitting the name of their roommate. The following additional fees will apply:

- \$70 per hotel night per student
- \$110 per ferry or cruise night per student

How are adults roomed?

Adults are placed in twin accommodations (a hotel room with two single beds) with another adult of the same sex from the entire tour group, unless the name of a roommate has been provided. This will mean that adults from different schools/organizations may room together.

Can adults request a room with a double bed?

Adults can request double-bed accommodations (a room with one bed for two people) by providing EF with the name of their roommate by 110 days prior to departure.

Can adults request a single room?

Adults can request a single room for an additional \$70 per hotel, cruise, or ferry night. This fee is in addition to the standard adult supplement fees covered on the previous page.

MISCELLANEOUS

When does the tour officially start and end?

Each tour begins with the take-off from the departure airport and ends when the flight lands at the return airport. For those making their own flight arrangements, the tour begins upon arrival at the first EF hotel and ends upon departure from the last EF hotel, according to the itinerary. The official length of an EF tour does not include stay-ahead, stay-behind, or any optional periods or activities when travelers are not escorted by a Tour Director.

What if a refund is due?

Where applicable, refunds for overpayment will be issued upon request and after the most recent payment has been in the traveler's account for 21 days. Refunds will be issued back to the original form of payment unless that is no longer valid, in which case a refund check will be issued in the name that appears on the traveler's account. All refund checks are mailed 4-6 weeks after the request has been processed. There will be a non-refundable \$50 stop-payment fee for lost refund checks.

Non-Refundable Fees

Non-Refundable Fees are defined as the Enrollment Fee (\$95), Global Travel Protection plan cost (\$190), Global Travel Protection Plus plan cost (\$490) and Manual Payment Plan Fee (\$50) as well as any late fees, late enrollment fees, Automatic Payment Plan decline charges, return check/direct debit fees, late special travel request fees and canceled check fees which have been applied to the account at the time of cancellation.

What about lost belongings?

EF is not responsible for loss of passports, airline tickets, or other documents, or for loss of or damage to luggage or any other passenger belongings. In the case of lost travel documents, the traveler is solely responsible for meeting the airline's requirements (both logistical and financial) for ticket replacement.

What about travelers with food allergies?

EF recognizes that some travelers may have severe food allergies. We will do our best to ensure that our suppliers are informed of the situation, but we cannot guarantee that all requests will be accommodated. Travelers are responsible for making their own arrangements for all in-flight meals.

How can I protect myself from the risk of COVID-19 while on tour?

Taking personal responsibility for your wellbeing begins with packing any personal protective equipment and sanitizers you require. Adopt physical distancing and hygiene practices throughout your pre-trip travel arrangements and follow all health instruction, whether physical signage or requests from the Tour Director or our staff once on tour.

What items are prohibited from tour?

For the safety and well-being of all travelers, no firearms or any other weapons are permitted on tour except as required by law.

What if my tour dates do not fall in the range covered by these Booking Conditions?

Visit eftours.com/bc for the most recent version of the latest travel year's Booking Conditions.

PERSONAL DATA

EF will process your personal data in compliance with applicable data protection legislation for the purposes of completing your enrollment, customer service, the purchase of an offered travel protection plan, and providing you with the products and services related to your tour. This may entail sharing your personal data with corporate affiliates, claims handlers, insurance providers, and other business partners both within and outside the U.S., including to and within the EEA/Switzerland. We have put appropriate safeguards in place for such transfers of your personal data, including the standard data protection clauses adopted by the European Commission. EF may also use your personal data, combined with data from third parties, to market products and services based on your interests, including by email and SMS/text. You may contact EF at any time to unsubscribe from any direct marketing purposes.

We will only keep your personal data for as long as it is necessary for the purposes for which it has been collected or in accordance with time limits stipulated by law and good market practice, unless further retention is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation or for the establishment, exercise or defense of legal claims. We will keep your personal data for marketing purposes until you withdraw your consent. If you have questions about the processing or use of your personal data, would like to have a copy of the information EF holds about you, or have inaccurate personal data corrected or erased, please contact Traveler Support at 800-665-5364.

PROTECTION FOR TRAVELERS' PAYMENTS

Travelers' tour money has protection in the unlikely event of EF bankruptcy, insolvency, or cessation of business under our participation in the United States Tour Operators Association (USTOA) \$1 Million Travelers Assistance Program. For program details and a list of its affiliates, contact USTOA by mail at 275 Madison Avenue, Suite 2014, NY, NY 10016, by email at information@ustoa.com, or online at USTOA.com.

Cancellations and Modifications

STANDARD CANCELLATION POLICY

The cancellation policies outlined below take into consideration the costs EF incurs often years before groups ever depart. Notice of cancellation from an EF tour will only be accepted from the traveler, their legal guardian, or the Group Leader. The date of cancellation will be determined by the date on which EF receives notice. In order to qualify for refunds in accordance with EF's Standard Cancellation Policy, all payments must be received on time.

EF's Standard Cancellation Policy*

- *150 days or more prior to departure:* Full refund less the \$95 non-refundable enrollment fee, all Non-Refundable Fees, and a \$300 cancellation fee.
- *149 to 110 days prior to departure:* Full refund less the \$95 non-refundable enrollment fee, all Non-Refundable Fees, and a \$500 cancellation fee.
- *109 to 45 days prior to departure:* Full refund less the \$95 non-refundable enrollment fee, all Non-Refundable Fees, and 50% of the program price.
- *44 days or less prior to departure:* No refund will be issued.

*Travelers who purchase a Global Travel Protection plan have the option to cancel the trip until 60 days prior to departure due to reasons not covered by the insurance underwritten by United States Fire Insurance Company and to rebook to another EF

Educational Tour within 30 days of such cancellation. Travelers are responsible for finding a new tour, and final placement is based on availability. Such tour needs to take place within 180 days from cancellation, and any difference in price will be covered by the traveler (non-refundable fees from the original tour will not be put toward the rebooked tour). This benefit is not an insurance provided by United States Fire Insurance Company.

*Travelers who purchase the Global Travel Protection Plus plan have the option to cancel with a non-insurance Cancel for Any Reason waiver benefit provided by EF Educational Tours. The non-insurance Cancel for Any Reason waiver benefit provided by EF Educational Tours provides a cash refund for trip costs paid (less the cost of the plan, the non-refundable enrollment fee, and other Non-Refundable Fees) to EF Educational Tours for cancellation prior to departure. For plans issued in New York, customers can purchase the non-insurance Cancel for Any Reason waiver benefit separately from the rest of the travel protection plan – for further details, please contact Academic HealthPlans at 877-974-7462 ext. 321.

Cancellation with replacement**

- *150 days or more prior to departure:* Full refund less the \$95 non-refundable enrollment fee and all Non-Refundable Fees.
- *149 to 110 days prior to departure:* Full refund less the \$95 non-refundable enrollment fee, all Non-Refundable Fees, and a \$100 substitution fee.
- *109 days or less prior to departure:* Replacements can no longer be accepted and EF's Standard Cancellation Policy will apply.

** Cancellation with replacement refers to a traveler who cancels but finds a person to replace them for the same program. The replacement's Enrollment Form must be submitted at the same time as the notification of cancellation.

GROUP LEADER CANCELLATIONS

A Group Leader must accompany travelers on every tour. If a Group Leader cancels for any reason, they will be asked to assign a new Group Leader. Any travelers who cancel at this point and choose not to travel with their replacement Group Leader will be treated as standard cancellations. If no replacement Group Leader is found, the affected travelers will need to cancel to be eligible for EF's Standard Cancellation Policy. Those travelers interested in being placed with a new tour group should contact EF at 800-665-5364. If we cannot find a new tour for these travelers, EF's Standard Cancellation Policy will apply.

CANCELLATIONS OR MODIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY EXTERNAL EVENTS BEYOND EF'S REASONABLE CONTROL

EF shall not be liable to any traveler for the need to cancel, modify, or postpone the tour as a result of events that are beyond EF's reasonable control. These matters include such "acts of God" or force majeure events as actual or threats of: epidemics or pandemics, or other public health issues or emergencies (such as but not limited to the current COVID-19 pandemic); severe weather events or natural disasters such as but not limited to hurricanes, earthquakes, tsunamis, tornadoes, fires, floods, volcanic activity, or landslides; war (whether declared or undeclared); terrorist activities; instability in a destination location; incidents of violence, riot, sabotage, civil commotion, or nationalization; strikes or labor disputes or lockouts; government orders, sanctions, actual or potential quarantines, or other restrictions affecting travel in, to, or around a location; disruption to transportation; chemical or radioactive contamination; or any other reason that makes it actually or potentially impossible or illegal for EF to conduct the tour as originally contracted. EF incurs substantial non-recoverable costs and expenses of its own in planning, preparing, and pre-paying amounts for such tours. Accordingly, if a tour cannot depart as originally scheduled or is interrupted for any such reason, travelers will receive an EF Future Travel Voucher in the amount of all monies paid less the cost of any purchased travel protection plan. In the event of a delayed or interrupted tour program, the amount of the Future Travel Voucher will be pro-rated for the missed portions of the tour. Cancellation, modification, or postponement by EF for causes described in this section shall not be a violation of its obligations to any traveler and will not be deemed a "failure" to provide travel services.

COVID-19 CANCELLATIONS, MODIFICATIONS, OR REQUIREMENTS

In the event external events beyond EF's reasonable control have not rendered a tour program impossible or illegal to depart as scheduled yet EF reasonably decides in its sole discretion that the program must nevertheless be cancelled, modified, or postponed due to health or safety concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic

or because issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic would affect the quality of the program, travelers acknowledge that EF's sole obligation to them will be to issue an EF Future Travel Voucher in the amount of all monies paid, less the cost of any purchased travel protection plan. In the event of an interrupted tour program, the amount of the Future Travel Voucher will be pro-rated for the missed portions of the tour. EF and the enrolled traveler agree that a cancellation, modification, or postponement by EF for causes described in this section shall not be a violation of its obligations to any traveler and shall not be deemed a "failure" to provide travel services.

EF is not responsible and shall not be liable to any traveler for any destination-imposed travel entry or exit requirement (including countries visited solely in transit), supplier-imposed requirements, or other travel related requirement related to COVID-19, including but not limited to vaccination, testing, or other public health requirements. Customers who are unwilling or unable to comply with such requirements and who choose to cancel their tour are subject to EF's Standard Cancellation Policy. EF also reserves the right in its sole discretion to, in good faith efforts to protect against health concerns, exceed destination-imposed travel or entry requirements and require full vaccination against COVID-19, pre-tour and on-tour testing for COVID-19, and other public health measures for travelers to certain destination. Travelers who chose to cancel their enrollment upon notification of such requirements are subject to EF's Standard Cancellation Policy.

Peace of Mind Program

We understand that plans can change due to unforeseen circumstances. EF provides an exclusive Peace of Mind program to account for such situations. This program is automatically included for all travelers and can be enacted at the group level for any reason, including terrorism, pandemics, or other world events. Your Group Leader may choose from the following options:

45 days or more prior to departure

- Work with EF to modify your group's current tour itinerary and dates, or find a new tour, and apply all money paid to the new tour
- Cancel your tour and all travelers will receive a transferable Future Travel Voucher in the amount of all monies paid for the original tour, less the cost of any purchased travel protection plan
- Cancel your tour with applicable fees under the Standard Cancellation Policy

44 days or less prior to departure

If any location(s) included in the group's itinerary is newly designated as a Travel Advisory Level 4 by the U.S. Department of State; or a U.S. federal or state governmental authority has newly imposed a travel ban to your destination, or newly issued an order requiring a self-quarantine for travelers in your group upon arrival to a location on your itinerary or upon return home from a location on your group's itinerary; your Group Leader or the individual traveler may choose not to depart on the tour as scheduled and will have the same Peace of Mind Options set forth above.

Peace of Mind Program Terms & Conditions

Benefits of the Peace of Mind program are only available to the entire group and not to individual travelers unless specifically indicated. Travelers missing any payment deadlines must pay any incurred late fees to qualify for this program. Revised tours must depart within 1 year of the original tour. If the revised tour has a higher price than the original tour, travelers will be required to pay the difference as a condition of traveling on the revised tour. If EF cannot accommodate a revised tour request and/or the group decides not to travel on the original tour, then the group may opt for Future Travel Vouchers. If the group does not travel on the original tour, travel on a revised tour, or receive a Future Travel Voucher, standard cancellation fees will apply.

Travelers cancelling from a revised tour will be charged a cancellation fee based on the date that the original tour was revised or the date of cancellation from the revised tour, whichever is higher. EF will make every effort to accommodate revised tour requests.

Future Travel Vouchers are valid up to 25 months from the month of the original tour's scheduled departure. Future Travel Vouchers are transferable at the face value of the voucher to members of the traveler's immediate family or school community. The Future Travel Voucher is not a merchandise credit or a gift certificate and may not be redeemed for cash unless specifically noted on the voucher. Travelers who had booked their program by redeeming a previously issued Future Travel Voucher may have different terms and options available to them based on the originally issued voucher terms.

Payment Plan Terms and Conditions

Should you choose the Automatic Payment Plan or Manual Payment Plan, the following Terms and Conditions apply.

AUTOMATIC PAYMENT PLAN

- Travelers must select a payment method of either direct debit from a checking account or an ATM/debit card (card must display the Visa or MasterCard logo).
- EF must have the checking account or card holder signature on the Enrollment Form, electronic signature, or verbal authorization indicating agreement to EF's Automatic Payment Plan Terms and Conditions before the plan is activated.
- A minimum of three months of automated payments are required. Travelers who are not eligible for the Automatic Payment Plan must pay in full upon enrollment or enroll in the Manual Payment Plan.
- Travelers must provide a valid email address and pay the tour's \$95 non-refundable enrollment fee before the plan is activated.
- Travelers who choose monthly payments must choose a date between the 1st and 26th of the month on which their account will be automatically debited.
- Travelers who choose bi-weekly payments must choose a weekday on which their account will be automatically debited.
- Due to weekends and holidays, EF reserves the right to debit the travelers' account up to three days after the scheduled date.
- The Automatic Payment Plan amounts are subject to change if tour items or payments (other than the Automatic Payment Plan) are added or removed in excess of \$20. All other items or payments totaling \$20 or less that are added or removed will only be reflected in the final payment.
- After the Automatic Payment Plan's final scheduled payment, any additional items are due at time of purchase. Payments will no longer be automatically deducted.
- A non-refundable \$50 fee will be assessed each time a payment is returned or declined. In these cases, the plan will be recalculated to have the missed payment redistributed across the remaining schedule. EF reserves the right to withdraw travelers from the plan for returns or declines in two consecutive payments. Should the final payment be returned or declined, travelers will automatically be withdrawn from the plan.
- Travelers are not charged late fees while enrolled in the Automatic Payment Plan. If the traveler opts to withdraw from the plan or is withdrawn by EF, the traveler will be enrolled in the Manual Payment Plan, and the \$50 plan fee will be assessed.
- All of the above terms and conditions of the Automatic Payment Plan also apply to travelers on EF Tours for Girls programs.

MANUAL PAYMENT PLAN

- If travelers do not pay in full upon enrollment or choose the Automatic Payment Plan, they will be enrolled in the Manual Payment Plan and a non-refundable \$50 plan fee will be applied.
- Based on date of enrollment, travelers will be invoiced up to three payments. The first payment of \$500 is due 30 days after enrollment. The second payment of \$500 is due 90 days after enrollment. The remaining balance is due 110 days prior to departure.
- Based on date of enrollment, travelers on an EF Tours for Girls program will be invoiced up to four payments. The non-refundable enrollment fee of \$95 is due at the time of enrollment. The first payment of \$300 is due 60 days after enrollment. The second payment of \$500 is due 14 months prior to departure. The third payment of \$500 is due 9 months prior to departure. The remaining balance is due 110 days prior to departure.
- A late fee of \$100 will be assessed for any missed payment. All late fees are non-refundable.
- Travelers can pay with ATM/debit card, credit card (card must display the Visa or MasterCard logo), or personal checks.
- Payments made by personal check must be submitted with the traveler's name and account number.

- A non-refundable \$50 fee will be assessed each time a payment is returned or declined.
- Travelers are responsible for making on-time payments even if an invoice is not received.
- All payment due dates refer to the dates by which each payment must be received by EF.
- EF reserves the right to cancel the traveler's reservation if any payment is past due by 30 days (or 15 days after final payment).
- Payment for the Global Travel Protection plan or Global Travel Protection Plus plan is due at time of purchase, and the plan will not be purchased until payment is received.

Paperless Billing Terms and Conditions

For travelers enrolled in Paperless Billing, the following Terms and Conditions apply:

- Travelers will receive electronic invoices in connection with all information related to their EF account, including tour invoices, and other notices that are available in electronic format. Travelers understand this means that, once enrolled, they will not receive paper copies. Invoice reminders will be sent to the primary contact e-mail address that travelers provide on their enrollment form. Travelers may view and print invoices by logging into their account at eftours.com.
- EF is not responsible for any delay or failure to deliver any invoice, and travelers understand that nothing in these Terms and Conditions relieves obligation to pay any invoice.
- Travelers may elect not to receive electronic invoices and change to billing by US mail at any time by logging into account at eftours.com or by calling 800-665-5364.
- To the extent permitted by law, paperless billing is provided "as is" with faults and without warranties of any kind, either expressed or implied. Travelers assume all responsibility and risk for use of paperless billing. EF does not warrant that the information, processes, or services will be uninterrupted, or bug or error free.

Other Terms and Conditions

The terms and provisions of these Booking Conditions supersede any other warranties, representations, terms, or conditions, unless they are expressly stated within a Booking Conditions Addendum or in a letter signed by an EF officer. While EF makes every effort to ensure the accuracy of its publications, it cannot be held responsible for typographical or printing errors (including prices).

Enrolling travelers acknowledge that EF may change the Booking Condition terms from time to time and those changes become effectively immediately. Notice will be provided to you in the event of a material change. A traveler's continued use of EF's services following such notice constitutes acceptance and agreement to be bound by such changes. Travelers agree that the current version of the Booking Conditions in effect at the time of travel or cancellation applies to their tour program.

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DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION AND BELONGING

EF is committed to providing an inclusive tour experience, and all of our travelers play a role in this. On tour, you will meet people who represent a variety of backgrounds and beliefs and explore diverse cultures and histories. Our goal is to create an environment that celebrates these differences and fosters learning more about the world, yourself, and yourself in the world.

EF's Rules of the Road

When you enroll on tour, you agree to EF's Rules of the Road, which can also be found on your personalized website. If you do not conform to these regulations or any specific rules set by your Group Leader, you risk dismissal from the tour, returning home at your expense with no refund for the missed tour portion. Decisions regarding tour dismissal are up to EF and/or your Group Leader.

All travelers must adhere to the following regulations while on tour:

1. All scheduled activities are obligatory. If you are sick, have signs of becoming sick, or have a physical ailment that might prevent you from participating in an activity, you must tell the Group Leader, who should notify the Tour Director.
2. If you want to visit friends or relatives in a destination country, your Group Leader must be told before the tour begins. Please complete the Tour Leave Form, found under Forms and Resources on the Help Center (eftours.com/help-center), to receive permission for the visits. You must then give the form to your Tour Director upon arrival.
3. You are expected to respect the nightly curfew that your Group Leader may set for your own safety and security. Room checks will be conducted at the Group Leader's discretion. Visitors or group members of the opposite sex are not permitted in your room.
4. Smoking is not allowed on buses, during meals, in hotel rooms, or in any other shared, enclosed space.
5. Hitchhiking and the driving or renting of any motor vehicle is strictly forbidden for all travelers.
6. You are required to pay for any phone calls or incidental personal expenses incurred at hotels. These will be payable the evening before departure at each hotel.
7. Travelers under the age of 18 may not consume alcohol on tour. Travelers over the age of 18 (or older, if local laws require) may consume beer or wine in moderation. The consumption of hard liquor is strictly forbidden. Group Leaders and/or parents may prohibit all alcohol consumption at their discretion. Excessive drinking by any traveler will not be tolerated and will result in dismissal from tour at the traveler's own expense.
8. Illegal activities will not be tolerated and are punishable by immediate dismissal from the tour. If you are involved in any illegal activities, all costs to return home are at your own expense. If the local authorities are involved, you will be subject to the laws of the country you are visiting.
9. Payment for damage done to hotel rooms or to buses is your responsibility. If you notice any damage upon arrival at a hotel, you should notify the Tour Director immediately.

Release and Agreement

I (or parent or legal guardian if enrollee is under 18 or a minor under any other applicable law) have read, understand and agree to the following in exchange for enrollment on an EF Educational Tour:

1. I acknowledge and understand that my tour is operated outside of the U.S. by EF Education First International, Ltd., Switzerland, and that EF Institute for Cultural Exchange, Inc. acts only as a marketing service provider for that company.

2. EF Institute for Cultural Exchange, Inc., EF Education First International, Ltd., and their affiliated companies, partners, and any companies acting on their behalf, along with their officers, directors, employees, agents, and authorized representatives (collectively referred to herein as "EF") do not own or operate any entity which is to or does provide goods or services for my program, including, for example, hotels; arrangements for, ownership of, or control over houses, apartments, or other lodging facilities; tour directors; airline, vessel, bus, or other transportation companies; local ground operators; visa processing services; providers or organizers of optional excursions; or food service or entertainment providers; etc. I acknowledge that all such persons and entities, specifically the Tour Director assigned to my tour, are independent contractors and not employees or agents of EF. As a result, EF is not liable for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or entity or of any third party.
3. Without limitation, EF is not responsible for any injury, loss or damage to person or property, death, delay, or inconvenience in connection with the provision of any goods or services occasioned by or resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God; force majeure; acts of government; acts of war or civil unrest; insurrection or revolt; strikes or other labor activities; public health issues or emergencies, epidemics, pandemics, plagues, outbreaks of infectious disease, mass-illness; criminal, terrorist, or threatened terrorist activities of any kind; overbooking or downgrading of accommodations; structural or other defective conditions in houses, apartments, or other lodging facilities (or in any heating, plumbing, electrical, or structural problem therein); mechanical or other failure of airplanes or other means of transportation or for any failure of any transportation mechanism to arrive or depart timely or safely; financial failure or other defaults by suppliers; dangers associated with water-based activities; dangers associated with or bites from animals, insects, or pests; sanitation problems; food poisoning; lack of access to or quality of medical care; difficulty in evacuation in case of a medical or other emergency; or any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any third party or for any other cause beyond the direct control of EF.
4. I agree to release EF and my school, my school district, my school board, my Group Leader, and Tour Director (collectively, the "Released Parties") from, and agree not to sue the Released Parties for, any and all claims of any nature related in any manner to my participation in an EF-sponsored tour or a Service Learning Tour, including, but not limited to, claims for negligence, breach of contract, breach of express or implied warranties, negligence or wrongful death, or any statutorily based claim. I hereby unconditionally and unequivocally waive any and all claims and demands for all damages, losses, costs and expenses of any nature whatsoever (including attorneys' fees) on account of or arising out of any and all personal injury, death, bodily injury, mental anguish, emotional distress, or property or other damage that I may suffer from any cause whatsoever related in any way to my participation in any EF-sponsored tour or a Service Learning Tour.
5. I understand that travel in other nations is not similar to travel within the United States. Travel outside of the United States can involve inconvenience and risk, including, but not limited to, forces of nature, geographic and climatic conditions, different hygienic standards, infrastructure problems (including road maintenance, transportation delays and accommodation conditions), civil unrest, vandalism, crime, political instability, and terrorism. Medical services or facilities may not be readily available or available at all during all or part of a program and, if available, may not be equal to standards in the participant's home country. I understand that a Service Learning Tour is a physically demanding excursion in a developing country, and I knowingly assume the risks of such an excursion. I further understand that different parts of the world present unique health, disease, and safety concerns, and I agree to review any specific risks related to my destination by visiting the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Traveler's Health website at www.cdc.gov/travel and the State Department's International Travel website at travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html. I assume all risk of bodily injury, death, emotional trauma, property damage, inconvenience, and/or loss resulting from negligence or any other acts of any and all persons or entities, however caused, including, but not limited to, those risks mentioned above. It is my intention fully to assume all of the risks of travel and participation in the program and to release the Released Parties from any and all liabilities to the maximum extent permitted by law.
6. I further agree to release the Released Parties from any and all decisions to cancel, modify, or delay the tour as a result of unforeseeable events that are beyond the reasonable control of EF or which become necessary or advisable for my safety or for the quality of the tour experience.
7. I agree that this Release applies to and binds myself and my minor child enrolling on tour (if applicable) along with my personal representatives, executors, heirs, and family.
8. In addition, EF shall have no responsibility for me whatsoever when I am absent from an EF-supervised activity or for non-supervised activities, such as visits to friends or relatives or during stay-ahead/stay-behind option periods or any other optional period or activity when not escorted by a Tour Director.
9. My tour begins with the takeoff from the EF departure airport and ends upon completion of the flight back to the origination (or other arrival) airport.
10. The air carrier's liability for loss of or damage to baggage or property, or for death or injury to person, is subject to and limited by the airlines' contract of carriage, its tariff, the Montreal Convention or Warsaw Convention and their amendments or both.
11. EF or my Group Leader reserves the right to refuse or cancel my registration at its sole discretion. In such event, EF's Standard Cancellation Policy as outlined in the Booking Conditions apply.
12. I agree to abide by EF's regulations and the directions of my Group Leader, my Tour Director, and EF's personnel during my tour. Failure to do so may result in my Group Leader or EF terminating me from the tour immediately. I understand that to disobey such rules or directions is to waive the right to a refund of any part of my program price, and that my Group Leader or EF may then send me home at my own expense.
13. I agree to abide by all local laws, regulations, and governmental advisories for all locations of my tour while abroad. I understand that if I refuse to follow, abuse, or disobey those laws, even unintentionally, I waive my right to a refund of any part of the program price, and my Group Leader or EF may send me home at my own expense. I also understand that, should local authorities be involved, I will be subject to the laws of the country I am visiting.
14. If I become ill or incapacitated, EF and their employees, my Tour Director, or my Group Leader, may take any action they deem necessary for my safety and wellbeing, including notifying parents/guardians and/or securing medical treatment (at my own expense) and transporting me home. EF retains the right, in its sole discretion, to contact the traveler's parents/guardians with regard to health issues or any matter whatsoever that relates to the traveler's tour. These rights transcend any and all privacy regulations that may apply. In the event of a medical emergency, EF will attempt to cause appropriate treatment to be administered, and the traveler authorizes EF to do so. EF, however, makes no warranty that it will be able to cause effective (or any) emergency treatment to be administered or to be timely administered.
15. I have made the choice to travel with the teacher/Group Leader organizing my group. I understand that this choice is not the responsibility of EF. I understand that my Group Leader is able to make decisions on my behalf, including but not limited to changing the group's requested tour or travel date and requiring that I purchase items such as the Global Travel Protection plan and optional excursions. I understand that a Group Leader must accompany me on tour. If my Group Leader cancels for any reason, EF will ask them to assign a new Group Leader. If I cancel at this point and choose not to travel with the replacement Group Leader, I will be treated as a standard cancellation. If no replacement Group Leader can be found, I will need to cancel and EF's Standard Cancellation Policy will apply. I may also request that EF place me with a new tour group. If EF cannot find a new tour group for me, EF's Standard Cancellation Policy will apply.
16. If I will be age 20 or older at any time during my tour, I acknowledge that EF will conduct a criminal background check ("CBC") as a pre-condition to travel. If such a traveler refuses to consent to the CBC, it will be deemed a cancellation and EF's Standard Cancellation Policy will apply.
17. This Release and Agreement and EF's Booking Conditions constitute the entire agreement between EF and me with reference to the subject matter herein, and I do not rely upon any promises, inducements, marketing materials, or agreements not herein, including, but not limited to, any oral statements made to me by any agents or employees of EF or by my school or Group Leader. This agreement may be amended or modified only in a writing, signed by EF. The waiver by EF of any provision of this agreement shall in no way affect the remaining provisions of this agreement, and this agreement shall be interpreted as if such clause or provision were not contained herein.
18. This agreement and performance hereunder shall be governed in all respects by the substantive laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In the event of any claim, dispute, or proceeding arising out of my relationship with EF, or any claim which arises between the Parties, whether or not related to this agreement, the literature for the trip or the trip itself, it shall be resolved solely in courts of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and/or the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts.

19. For travelers in Utah only: This tour is not sponsored by any public school, public school district, or other public entity and is operated and organized by a privately owned company.
20. EF may use any film or digital likeness taken of me and any of my comments while on an EF tour as well as any project work (including, but not limited to, online learning programs offered by EF) for future publicity without compensation to me and also use my contact information for future EF promotions. I have read and agreed to the Terms of Use and Privacy Policy outlined at eftours.com/legal-notices and I consent to EF's processing of my personal data.
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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

For parents/guardians of travelers under the age of 18 or a minor under any applicable law

The tour itinerary may include certain activities (such as whitewater rafting in Costa Rica) that may require the Group Leader to sign a release on behalf of the travelers (who are minors and cannot sign for themselves) in order to allow participation. This Limited Power of Attorney allows the Group Leader to execute these documents on your behalf should the need arise. Your execution of this Limited Power of Attorney is voluntary, and if you choose not to grant this Limited Power of Attorney, your child may still participate in the tour but may not be able to participate in some tour activities. With regard to said activities:

1. I understand and agree that my child, with my permission, has voluntarily chosen to participate in the activities, and we assume all dangers and risks associated with the activities.
2. I do hereby delegate to the Group Leader a "Limited Power of Attorney" and full authority to sign any documents, including, but not limited to, liability releases, permission slips, waivers, and/or any other type of participation agreement required by the operators of any activity for participation. By signing the EF Educational Tours Enrollment Form, I understand and agree to the above.