

MEMO—Office of the Principal

Date: April 3, 2012
To: Dr. Kent Mutchler
From: Tom Rogers
Re: Out-of-Country World Language Summer 2013 Trip



World Language teacher, Lynn Fors, would like to request permission to organize a summer 2013 trip to Spain. The purpose of the trip is to provide an educational and cultural experience for our students that will reinforce and enhance their language abilities and cultural appreciation. It will provide students with the unique opportunity to experience and interact with people from Spain. Tentative itinerary and trip details are attached:

1. Trip Dates: Summer 2013
Approximately June 8 through June 20, 2013
12 days
2. Number of Students Attending: Approximately 10 to 20
3. Transportation: International Air Carrier / ACIS, Student Tour Company
4. Cost of Trip: Approximately \$4229
5. Adult Chaperones: Mrs. Lynn Fors
6. Goals:
 - a. To provide opportunity for student participation in sightseeing and language immersion experience.
 - b. To reinforce and enhance student language mastery and cultural appreciation through the experience.
 - c. To provide students the opportunity to experience and interact with people from Spain through their participation in this activity.

Date: March 12, 2012

Memo to: Dr. Kent Mutchler and School Board Members
cc: Tom Rogers, Sue Khalaieff

From: Lynn Fors, Spanish teacher, Geneva High School

Subject: Proposal for 2013 student trip to Spain

The Geneva School board approved a combined Spain-France trip undertaken by our foreign language program for the summer of 2009 and again in 2011. Students and chaperones traveled for 13 days. Our students had the opportunity to experience first-hand the beauty, history, and current culture of the countries they are studying in Spanish language classes, as well as the opportunity to use the language in real-life situations.

Based on our highly successful student trips during both of these summers, we would like to submit for your approval a student trip to Spain during the summer of 2013. This trip is 11 days, leaving approximately June 8 through June 20, 2013. This trip is intended for all levels of Spanish students, focusing on language and culture of Spain. We want to expose the large population of Spanish language students to the wonderful culture. The main goal is for this trip to give a language student the opportunity to apply their language acquisition to a real-world scenario. Language students who travel make more connections to their own learning as well as expand their interest and perspectives about other countries and cultures.

I, Lynn Fors, have experience leading two students on trips in Spain and also France, but in addition the company, EF, a national, bonded, experienced student tour company will provide us with a highly-skilled guide that will accompany us on the entire trip. We also will have local guides in the cities travelled. We have used EF previously with excellent results.

The itinerary and cost of the trip is included on the attached sheet.

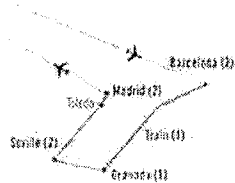
We will be happy to answer any additional questions you might have, and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lynn Fors
Geneva High School Spanish Teacher



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DAY 1: OVERNIGHT FLIGHT Depart from the USA

DAY 2: BARCELONA Arrive in Barcelona, Spain's second-largest city and capital of Catalonia. The rest of the day is free to explore this bustling city

DAY 3: BARCELONA Morning sightseeing shows you the Cathedral of Santa Eulàlia in the Gothic Quarter. Stop for a photo outside Gaudí's unfinished Sagrada Família and see the 1992 Olympic complex after walking through whimsical Parc Güell. During free time for exploring this afternoon, why not stroll along La Rambla or visit the Picasso Museum?

DAY 4: OVERNIGHT TRAIN This morning perhaps visit La Pedrera, one of Gaudí's architectural masterpieces, or explore the waterfront. Then come to appreciate favorite local foods through a [Spanish food challenge](#). Lunch is included today instead of dinner. In the evening board your overnight train to Granada, four-berth couchettes provided.

DAY 5: GRANADA Arrive this morning in Granada. As your local guide provides commentary via personal headsets, visit the Alhambra, the most magnificent of all the Moorish palaces in Spain, and explore the fragrant Generalife Gardens nearby. In the evening visit the unique caves of the Albaicín to learn one of Spain's most enduring traditions during a [flamenco lesson](#). Enjoy a special dinner before comparing your new talent with the professionals at a flamenco show.

DAY 6: SEVILLE Journey today to Andalucía's capital, Seville. A sightseeing tour includes the immense Gothic Cathedral, the Giralda Tower and the Alcázar. The rest of the afternoon is free for you to explore more of Seville at your own pace. Perhaps practice your Spanish as you shop for souvenirs, visit the Torre de Oro or stroll in the Parque María Luisa.

DAY 7: SEVILLE You may choose to take an optional journey to the Moorish city of Córdoba, where you can roam through narrow lanes lined with whitewashed buildings and see the Mezquita. Otherwise, enjoy a free day to wander through Santa Cruz, the old section of Seville.

DAY 8: MADRID A journey to Spain's old capital of Toledo includes a visit to El Greco's great painting in the Church of Santo Tomé, the treasures of the Gothic Cathedral and the medieval synagogue accompanied by a local guide and personal headsets. Then visit a local restaurant for a [Spanish cooking lesson](#) led by professional chefs. Work in teams to create traditional dishes before sampling the tasty results. Lunch is included today instead of dinner. Continue to Spain's modern capital, Madrid, for the evening.

DAY 9: MADRID During your morning sightseeing tour a local guide shows you Madrid's most important sights and the treasures of the Prado, providing commentary via personal headsets. Spend your final evening in Spain strolling around the lively Puerta del Sol or sampling *churros y chocolate* near the Plaza Mayor.

DAY 10: DEPARTURE Depart for the USA

Optional Extensions and Extra Nights:

Further immerse yourself in the culture and wonders of cosmopolitan Spain with an extra night in Madrid, including the services of your ACIS Tour Manager.

Let us help you find a price for this itinerary

RECOMMENDED DATES >

INTERESTED?

Our tour consultants are available to answer all your questions at 1-800-689-ACIS or info@acis.com

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Deduct \$100 when you enroll by 4/01/12

Tour at a Glance

Tour Type

Highlights

Overnights

Field Trips & Extensions

Cultural Connections

Learning Objectives:

- Students will learn about Modernism/Art Nouveau through the architecture of Antoni Gaudí.
- Students will examine Spain's ties to the New World of the Americas through the funding of explorers like Columbus, Balboa, Cortés, and Pizarro.
- Students will become familiar with forms of art and cooking unique to certain regions of Spain through hands-on workshop participation.

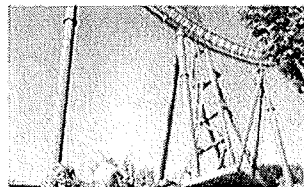
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