

## EXTENDED TRIP REQUEST FORM

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*Send one copy of this form with related material to the Superintendent at least 90 days prior to the intended departure from Morris.*

Title of Proposed Field Trip Summer 2027 Iceland Trip  
 Name of School Morris Area High School  
 Name and School of Person in Charge Dylan Viss - MAHS  
 Number of Students 30 (currently)  
 Group Taking Trip Approximately 30 students in grades 10-12  
 Number of Supervisors 4 chaperones  
 Dates of Trip 7 days between 7/12/27 and 7/24/27 (TBD)  
 Approximate Cost of Trip \$5,229 /student

**Please attach a statement relative to: (items one through eight)**

1. The purpose and educational value of the trip including relationship to learner outcomes. (Give rationale and details of the trip.)
2. Background preparation (in class, etc.)
3. Manner of selecting participants.
4. Itinerary: (include details on destination, lodging, and proposed activities.)
  - ✓ Destination
  - ✓ Dates of Trip
  - ✓ Method of Travel to Destination
  - ✓ Type of Accommodations
  - ✓ Proposed Daily Activities
  - ✓ Transportation at Destination
5. Supervision to be provided. (A licensed staff member will be in charge of the trip. Additional adults will accompany the trip as agreed upon by the principal and teacher. The teacher and principal shall agree on the number of chaperones needed. This determination shall take into account student age and the nature of the site and length of the trip.)
6. Explain source of funds and student involvement in raising funds and costs per student.
  - ◆ How will funds be used to support students with financial needs?

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7. What will the impact of this trip be on other teachers and students not participating?

8. How will the trip be evaluated?

Request Submitted By: [Signature]

Activities Director's Recommendation  Approved  Not approved

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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[Signature] 4/10/26  
Activities Director's Signature Date

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[Signature] 4/10/26  
Superintendent Date

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School Board Chair Date

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## **Iceland: Glaciers and Geysers - Summer 2027**

**Dylan Viss, Morris Area High School**

### **1. Purpose and educational value**

The value in a trip like this is immeasurable. Many students have never even left the state of Minnesota, much less traveled to a different country. Students will be applying the knowledge they've acquired in many of their classes, but especially in their science classes, to the culture, natural wonders, and many organisms that Iceland has to offer.

### **2. Background preparation**

Background preparation has been in the works for quite some time now. I have been discussing and planning this trip with EF tours since the beginning of the school year.

### **3. Manner of selecting participants**

This trip will be open to all students currently in grades 9-11. When the trip happens in the summer of 2027, these students will be in grades 10-12, with the seniors having just graduated. Currently, there are 30 students signed up to go on this trip.

### **4. Itinerary**

Please see the attached documents for a detailed itinerary, including information on dates, travel, and types of accommodations.

### **5. Supervision to be provided**

I am the group leader and will be leading this trip. In addition, the other three chaperones will be Brooke Viss, Britney House, and Jared House, all of whom have had prior experience leading and taking students on international trips. Per EF policy, all chaperones will be required to have a background check prior to going on the trip.

### **6. Cost per student & fundraising opportunities**

The total cost of the trip is \$5,229 per student. Included in this amount is a personal protection package (optional) that students and their families can choose to purchase if they wish. There will be opportunities for students to fundraise and get help paying for the trip throughout the next year and a half. Many of these fundraisers are available through the company, EF tours, and include a donation page where family and friends can support their student and a "Global Citizen Scholarship Fund," providing \$100,000 worth of scholarships to students attending trips like these. I also plan on holding multiple Papa Murphy's fundraisers, as these seem to go well and enable students to raise as much money as they can if they're willing to put forth a little effort.

## **7. Impact on those not participating**

My hope is that those not participating in this trip would hear how incredible this experience was and think about traveling in the future, whether attending a trip such as this or through other means (band/choir, Spanish, etc.). I am also confident that students will be able to come home from this experience, talk to their family and friends about it, and that their parents can rest assured that their money was well spent and that their child has had a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

## **8. How will the trip be evaluated?**

After each trip that I've taken, there has always been a survey to follow, asking to elaborate on how the trip went (pros, cons, or otherwise). In addition to filling this out and doing my own reflection, I also plan on surveying the students, whether formally or informally, upon our return. This will allow me to gauge how successful the trip was and make any necessary changes when planning my next trip.