

Apr 1, 2024

Attn: Okemos Public Schools Board of Education Members  
Regarding: OHS trip to Québec in February, 2025

Dear Board Members:

Thank you for taking the time to look through this information regarding the proposed OHS trip to the Québec Winter Carnival in Québec City, Canada, on February 7-10, 2025.

The Quebec Winter Carnival happens every year in February. It is the largest winter carnival in the world! Its purpose is to celebrate winter, to get people "out and about", despite the cold weather. It even has a mascot: ***Bonhomme Carnival***. When Bonhomme arrives in Quebec City, he receives the keys to the city from the mayor and Carnival may begin. The French-Canadian expression, "***frette, pas frette!***" is the motto for Carnival, and it means, essentially, "cold, what cold?". In other words, the Québécois will be active and celebrate no matter the weather. It is a wonderful time for the community to come together to participate in games, traditional activities, and lift each other's spirits. Please visit the [Carnival website](#), or watch this [youtube video](#) for more information regarding the carnival.

In French levels 1 and 2, OPS students learn all about the Quebec Carnival. Participating in this trip will be an amazing way to obtain a real world connection with the material they've learned in the classroom. This trip is also much more affordable than the typical trip to France that OHS hosts every two years (half the cost). It is an excellent opportunity for students who may not want to or may not have the means to travel transatlantic. In terms of fundraising for this trip, the company that I plan to travel with, [Prometour](#), does not currently offer student scholarships, unfortunately. However, students will have opportunities to fundraise once they've signed up for the trip.

I look forward to discussing the trip further with you at the BOE meeting on April 8, 2024. Until then, you may find further details about the trip through [this itinerary](#). Thank you for your time and consideration!

Sincerely,  
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## Québec Winter Carnival

Okemos High School  
February 7th - 10th, 2025  
4 Days

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## DAY 1: Travel to French Canada

Friday 07-Feb-2025

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Board your flight from Detroit and fly to Québec City.

Your **Prométour Tour Director** will meet you at the arrivals section of the airport in Québec City and will remain with your group for the duration of your visit.

Board your motorcoach and depart for your next activity

Receive your **Bonhomme Carnaval Effigy** - a miniature pendant that you wear on your outerwear as the Passe-Partout for the Carnival.

Participate in the animated historical ghost tour "**Crimes in New France**"; revisit the most famous crimes and ghouls in the history of Vieux-Québec

Enjoy dinner in a quaint local restaurant with your group and Prometour Tour Director.

Overnight accommodation at **Days Inn Levis St-Nicolas Hotel** (or similar)

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## DAY 2: Village Valcarier & Carnival Night Parade

Saturday 08-Feb-2025

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Enjoy breakfast at the hotel with your group.

Experience winter thrills and laughs while **snow rafting, sliding on inner tubes and crazy carpets** at **Village Vacances Valcartier**

Explore the incredible **Hôtel de Glace / Ice Hotel**, made of ice and snow, the architecture and design changes each year, making this hotel truly unique. (**self-guided**)

Have lunch on your own.

Experience the **Carnaval de Québec**. Have time at this exciting winter festival brimming with activities, sporting competitions, breathtaking entertainment and much more.

Take in the festive atmosphere of the **Carnival Night Parade**

Enjoy dinner in a quaint local restaurant with your group and Prometour Tour Director.

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## DAY 3: Dog Sledding & Explore Québec City

Sunday 09-Feb-2025

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Enjoy breakfast at the hotel with your group.

Embark on a **dog sledding adventure!** Start with an introduction to basic techniques and safety before heading out on a **dog-sled ride** (20 minutes) through wooded trails, followed by a visit with the dogs, and time for **snow shoeing** (20 minutes).

Slide on the famous **Glissades de la Promenade Dufferin** outside the impressive Château Frontenac.

(4 glissades)

Have lunch on your own.

In the company of a **period costumed guide**, visit the iconic **Chateau Frontenac** to learn all about the historical events and famous people that shaped the identity of the hotel.

Admire the view as you ride the **Vieux Québec Funicular**.

Wander through the enchanting **Quartier Petit Champlain**, the oldest shopping district in North America. Today, it showcases the talents of local artisans and is the location of the

**Escalier Casse-Cou and Wall of History.**

Experience the Quebecois tradition of **sugaring off** at a **Cabane à Sucre**. Tour the sugar shack to learn how tree sap becomes syrup (aka liquid gold), enjoy a lumberjack meal, listen to folk songs, learn traditional dances, and have **maple taffy on snow!**

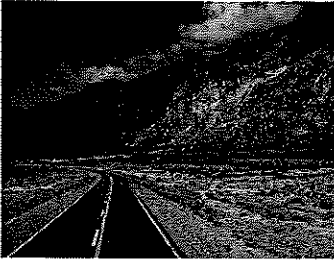
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**DAY 4: Return Home**

**Monday 10-Feb-2025**

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Enjoy breakfast at the hotel with your group.  
Board your bus and transfer to the airport

Say a fond *Au Revoir* to your Quebecois **Prometour Tour Director**.

Board your flight from Quebec City and fly back to Detroit

# PRICE PER PERSON SHEET

This is a privately operated tour - you will not be combined with another group

Student Price Per Participant	
35 to 39 participants :	2 100 USD
30 to 34 participants :	2 140 USD
25 to 29 participants :	2 275 USD
20 to 24 participants :	2 385 USD
15 to 19 participants :	2 565 USD
12 to 14 participants :	2 675 USD
Student Group Deluxe Plan :	175 USD

## SUPPLEMENTS

Adult Activity Supplement \$15 per day, per person

Twin Room Supplement \$45 per night, per person

Single Room Supplement \$90 per night, per person

**Student Group Deluxe Plan** covering group travel dates  
*Refer to complete policy for all insurance details.*

Coverage includes:

Student Group Essential Plan

+ Trip Cancellation

+ Missed Connections

+ Baggage & Personal Effects: Delay

+ Cancel For Any Reason (CFAR) up to 75% of prepaid, forfeited,  
non-refundable payments or deposits

*This trip is quoted as a student tour, prices are subject to increase if number of adults exceeds 30% of group size.*

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Based on Dates of Travel

To Be Determined

Monthly installments available at time of online registration  
*Please check with your credit card company and/or financial institution for any extra applicable fees*

## PRICE INCLUDES

**Student Group Essentials Plan** covering group dates of travel  
*Refer to complete policy for all insurance details*

Coverage includes:

Trip Interruptions and Delay

Emergency Medical and Dental Expenses

Emergency Evacuation and Repatriation

Accidental D & D

Political and Security Evacuation

Travel assistance services

**Roundtrip airfare\***  
Detroit, MI - Québec City, QC  
Québec City, QC - Detroit, MI  
*-direct flights not guaranteed*

**Associated ground transportation costs while in destination**  
Private bus transportation

**Accommodation**  
3 nights multiple occupancy in quality hotels  
3-star standard, 3 & 4 per room, single beds not guaranteed  
Group leader & chaperones in twin accommodation according to gender

**Meals**  
3 Breakfasts / 3 Dinners  
Group menu with 1 non-alcoholic beverage + vegetarian option

**Activities & Sightseeing**  
All aforementioned visits, activities, tours and admissions

**Tour Guides**  
Service of a dynamic, bilingual Prometour Tour Director  
Local city/activity guides as indicated in the program

**Chaperones**  
1:6 complimentary trip ratio (twin accommodation according to gender)

**Other**  
Applicable service fees, taxes and FICAV contribution

## PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

Airline baggage charges according to their policies

Transportation to/from Detroit Airport

Meals that are not indicated in the daily program

Night Hall Monitors

Tips are at your discretion – these are standard guidelines  
Prometour Tour Director: \$4 per day, per person  
Bus Drivers: \$3 per day, per person

Personal spending money

Any applicable processing fees

Costs associated with travel documents, visas, medical testing, vaccinations, or other as required by your destination(s) or home country

Costs associated with changes to itinerary due to unforeseen circumstances including but not limited to: pandemics, epidemics, natural disasters, or other.

## NOTES

**AIRLINE FUEL SURCHARGE**(already included in these prices): Airlines have the legal right to impose fuel surcharges to tickets even after bookings have been made. Departure taxes and airline fuel surcharges at time of this quote = \$145

Prometour reserves the right to alter your itinerary before or during your tour for reasons including but not limited to: severe weather conditions, government restrictions, holidays, special events, or other unforeseen circumstances. When a scheduled activity or tourist site is not possible, we will make every effort to minimize inconvenience by adjusting the itinerary or replacing the item with a similar item of equal standard and value.

### **New Green Initiative!**

Prometour's target is to be a 100% carbon neutral company by 2023. Complimentary CO2 offsetting is now included on all tours including bus or air transportation.

**EXCHANGE RATE:** Prometour has quoted this package at an exchange of 1 CAD = 0.80 USD

## Useful Information

### TERMS & CONDITIONS

These prices are valid until: 29-Sep-2023  
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