

# Welcome!





### The Amazing Benefits of Student Travel





#### Students who travel:

- Are 32% more likely to attend college
- Attain a higher college GPA (by ~.9 points)
- Are 16% more likely to study abroad in college



### Career Boost

#### Students who travel:

- Are 21% more likely to be employed full-time
- Report earning more money throughout their careers

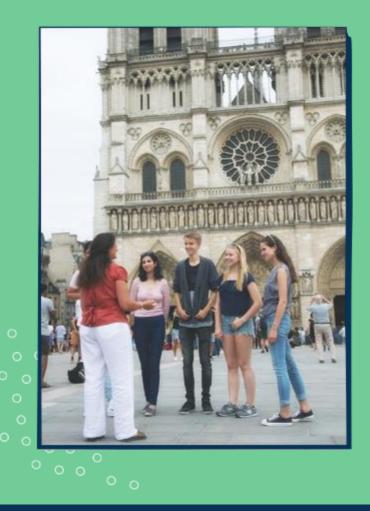
Long	g-term
Ber	nefits

#### Of students who travel:

- 88% felt the trip had a positive impact on their education and/or career
- 86% agree the trip made them a better world citizen
- 80% felt out-of-theclassroom experiences were the most impactful



## More Than a Tour Guide



- Tour Director stays with your group 24/7
- Carefully vetted, savvy locals who live where they work
- Multilingual and enthusiastic individuals
- Trained educators who lead off-the-beaten-path adventures



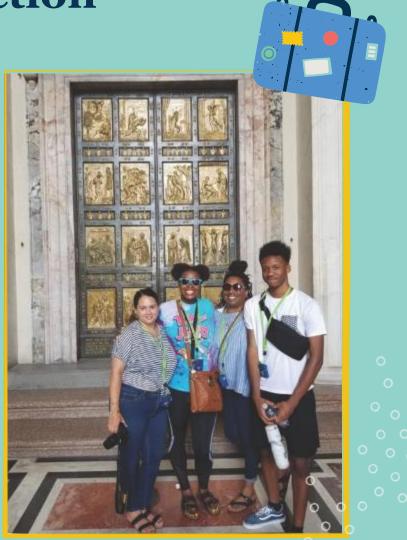


## In the Heart of the Action

- 3-4 star, centrally located hotels
  - Spend more time experiencing and less time getting there!
- Hearty breakfasts and dinners
  - Enjoy local fare for a taste of the culture







## **Delivering the Deepest Learning**



- LEAP into action: Learning through Exploring and Actively Participating
- Our trademarked learning-bydoing philosophy
- Dynamic approach full of hands-on activities and fun



## Where Are We Going



### **COAST TO COAST**

For more itinerary details, visit your WorldStrides MyTrip tour center







## Where Are We Going



"Welcome to Costa Rica where you can experience its magic, coast to coast with your students. Arrive in San Jose, the capital. You'll visit banana plantations, take a boat ride down canals in rain forests, see volcanic hot springs, take a zip line trip (if you dare), talk with local students, and create authentic local foods. Explore!"







# **Tour Highlights**



#### Tortuguero

 Explore Costa Rica's lush northeast in Tortuguero exploring the canals of an 18,946-hectare coastal park. The park offers an excellent sampling of Atlantic lowland rainforest.

#### Arenal

 Let the volcanoes take you away. At Arenal's hot springs, bubbling lava fields heat the waters to make nature's own jacuzzi.

#### Manuel Antonio

 Combining white sandy beaches with lush tropical forest, Manuel Antonio is the perfect place to see a variety of Costa Rican wildlife, from white-faced monkeys and sleepy-faced sloths, to green turtles and orange-and-black-shelled land crabs.

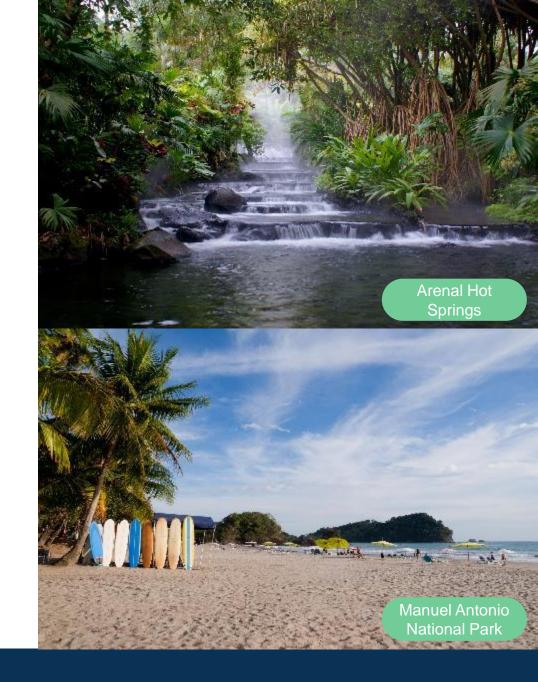






# **Tour Itinerary**

- Day 1 Hola San Jose
- Day 2 San Jose--Tortuguero See a banana plantation
- **Day 3 Tortuguero** Tortuguero National Park visit Canal tour
- Day 4 Tortuguero--Arenal Hot springs visit
- Day 5 Arenal--Manuel Antonio
  Optional Zip Line Canopy Tour \$59
- Day 6 Manuel Antonio
  Manuel Antonio National Park guided
  visit
- Day 7 Manuel Antonio--San Jose LEAP Cocina Tica LEAP Dance the El Torito!
- Day 8 End tour





### **LEAP Activities**

### **Cocina Tica**

Cook Costa Rican style! Create authentic local foods and sit down to savor your delicious creations.







## **LEAP Activities**

### **Dance El Torito**

Costumed Costa Rican folklore dancers teach you the El Torito, as well as other traditional dances. Then relax and watch the pros perform.







## A Trip that Leaves a Lasting Impact

My students absolutely loved traveling with WorldStrides. It was fun, safe, and educational, and they came back forever changed.

MOLLY S. FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHER

○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○
 ○

0

Traveling helps students see similarities and make connections with those who wear different clothes, speak different languages, or have different beliefs. It's so important for children to be exposed to different cultures because it makes them more open-minded.

0

0

 $\bigcirc$ 

 $\bigcirc$ 

 $\circ \circ$ 

0

0

 $\circ$ 

 $\cap$ 

WHITNEY G. PROGRAM LEADER

## Earn Academic Credit Through Travel



- Online courses reflect themes and topics explored during your travel program. You'll choose courses from your custom menu!
- Students in grades 6-12 at time of travel are eligible to earn free high school credit
- Students in grades 9-12 at time of travel are eligible to earn free college credit in conjunction with our partner, George Mason University
- A real differentiator on college applications



## **FLAG Financial Assistance**

- More than \$2.5 million in financial aid given out each year
- Families with an annual adjusted gross income of \$85,000 or less may qualify
- Learn how much may be available to you by calling 800-771-5353



### **Affordable Payment Plans**

- Only a small initial deposit required to sign up for the trip
- Remaining balance spread out into small installments and paid monthly prior to travel
- Payments can be auto-deducted from your account



# **The Gift of Education**

A personalized fundraising page where you can invite friends and family to donate—and 100% of the money raised goes directly toward your trip!

- 1. Once enrolled, log into your MyTrip site at worldstrides.com/login
- 2. Click on your current tour and select "Gift of Education fundraising page"
- 3. Personalize your page with a photo, bio, and fundraising goal
- 4. Copy and paste the page's URL to share with family and friends!

	Login	
	erroled on a tour! To a	
bicase el Useman	nter your login tredenti we	80
8		
Passade		
		- 1
terer	foer me on this comput	w -
	togin	
-		



#### Remaining Balance: \$2,484.00

Payment Plan: Monthly automated plan (checking account) Amount Paid: \$348.00 Last Payment Made: Apr 9, 2023 Next Payment Due: June 5, 2023

details >

Gift of Education fundraising page >

#### Help Send Haley to La Belle France







 $\circ$ 

 $\circ$ 

Lam preparing for the adventure of a lifetime with my teacher and classinates, and the adving for your support to help funding trig). This educational team will build upon the things i'm learning about in school, while introducing me to exciting new destinations and culture. Hence consider supporting me trip

with a donation of any amount.



 $\circ$ 

 $\circ$ 

0



### **Support Every Step of the Way**



### From the moment you arrive

#### **Tour Directors:**

Specially trained individuals who guide your group from start to finish and deliver plenty of "a-ha" moments along the way

#### Health & Safety Team:

More than 50 years of success with an unrivaled track record, providing you with the peace of mind that only comes from experience

#### Insurance:

Industry-leading liability coverage (illness, accident, and dental) and travel protection plans



### **Round-the-clock**

#### 24/7 WorldAssist Team:

Trained and responsive personnel who are ready for any situation

#### Doctors on Call:

Exclusive partnership with The George Washington University Department of Emergency Medicine that provides access to doctors who are available 24/7 for consultations or treatment recommendations





## **Protecting Your Investment**

#### **Travel Protection Plan**

Educational travel is an investment in your child's future. We recommend you protect that investment with our Travel Protection Plan, which covers you for the following events:

- Enhanced medical, injury, or dental treatment while traveling
- A traveler's injury, sickness, or death of a family member
- Theft of passport or visas
- Flight cancellations due to strike or bad weather
- Trip cancellation or trip interruption due to covered reasons such as a covered sickness, illness, injury, or death

#### **Ultimate Protection Plan**

Along with providing you the same benefits as the Travel Protection Plan, our Ultimate Protection Plan also includes the **Cancel For Any Reason Benefit**:

 If you cancel 48 hours (2 days) or more before your scheduled trip departure date for any reason not otherwise covered by this policy, we reimburse you for 75% of the nonrefundable cancellation fees which apply to your trip

This plan must be purchased at enrollment or within 14 days of your initial payment for your trip.



# 4 out of 5 WorldStrides travelers protect their tours!

### Learn more at worldstrides.com/travel-protection-plans

D 2024 WorldStrides, Inc. All Rights Reserved.

### Passports & Visas

All travelers are responsible for securing the necessary documentation for travel. These pieces of documentation may include a passport and visa.

#### Passports

- Passports are needed 4 months prior to your departure date.
- The application process takes 8-12 weeks, so plan accordingly.

#### Visas

 Since requirements vary for each nationality, we recommend all travelers verify the individual requirements for their nationality with the local consulate for all the countries to be visited, or VisaCentral, our partner for travel visas



#### ▼ Tour Includes

- Round-trip airfare and other transportation described in the itinerary
- Up to three college credits upon course completion (grades 9-12) or high school credit (grades 6-12)
- Basic Medical, Dental, Emergency Evacuation Insurance during trip
- Centrally located three- and four-star hotels
- Plentiful daily breakfast to start the day energized and ready to go
- Appetizing, culturally representative, three-course lunch and dinner daily
- Full time, multilingual, WorldStrides tour director who is LEAP-trained in experiential education
- Local guide at sites and on city tours as described in the itinerary
- LEAP! Learning through Exploration and Active Participation; trademarked immersive approach of learning by doing
- Entrances and transportation to sites and activities described in your itinerary
- Local guide and local bus driver tips; see note regarding other important tips
- 24/7 On Tour Emergency Support
- Note: On arrival day only dinner is provided; on departure day, only breakfast is provided
- Note: Tour cost does not include airline-imposed baggage fees, any required passport or visa fees, optional excursions, or recommended Tips for the Tour Director or multi-day Bus Drivers. Optional excursions, optional pre-paid tips, or other individual/group customizations will be listed as separate line items in the total trip cost, if included.



Program Fee*	\$3,704.00
Welcome Scholarship	\$-200.00
<b>**</b> Early Enrollment Savings	\$-325.00

### **Total Fee\***

### \$3,179.00

OR 14 monthly payments of \$220.00 After initial payment of \$99.00 \* Last day for this Program Fee is Mar 20, 2025.



### **How to Enroll**



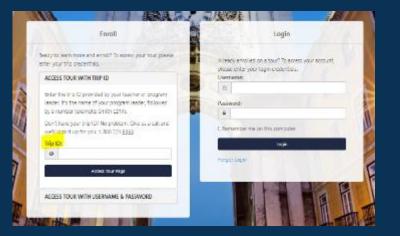
Online: <u>worldstrides.com/enroll</u> With your group's Trip ID Or the direct link



Phone: 800-771-5353



Mail: WorldStrides Programs Attn: Participant Services 701 E Water Street, Suite 200 Charlottesville, VA 22906



0

0

 $\circ$ 

O







www.EducationalTravel.com/Okemos-2026





### **Additional Adult Fees**

The following additional fees apply only to full-paying participants 23 and older and are not included in the total price listed above.

Adult Supplement	\$125.00
Twin Room Upgrade	\$315.00
Additional Adult Fee	\$440.00

