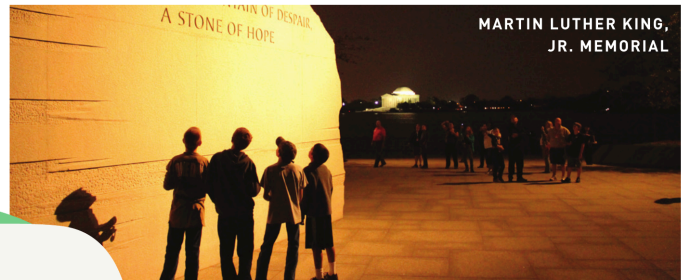


Southwest Middle School

IS GOING TO

Washington, D.C.

AND YOU'RE ALL INVITED!



Here's all that we're going to do and see!



IMPORTANT TRIP INFO MEETING

All students and their families are invited to attend!

Date: Tuesday, 09/12/2023

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: in Mr. Olson's classroom, room 73

See reverse side for other important information including easy-to-use tools to help pay for this incredible opportunity!



SCAN FOR DETAILS

Our trip dates are:

May 27th - June 2nd, 2024

Educational Travel is for Everyone

At WorldStrides, our passion is student travel. We believe every student should have the opportunity to enjoy the life-changing impact of travel (check out the stats below to see why!), and that's why we offer several tools to help make these experiences possible.

Financial Assistance

- WorldStrides provides over \$2.5 million in financial assistance each year to thousands of families
- Families with annual adjusted gross incomes of less than \$85,000 may qualify
- One simple call to 800-468-5899 and you'll know how much may be available for your trip

Financial assistance is given on a first-come, first-served basis.

Fundraising

- Student-driven fundraising where 100% of the money raised goes to pay for your trip
- Easy-to-use e-cards, letters, and shareable Facebook links students can send to friends and family
- Thousands of students pay for their entire trip each year through the **Gift of Education**

Payment Plans

- Sign up for the trip with a small deposit
- Remaining payments are spread out into smaller amounts and paid monthly prior to travel
- Set up auto-deductions from your checking account to save time and money

You're in Good Hands with WorldStrides

WorldStrides has been tackling the unprecedented for the last 55 years. Our experienced team is leading the way, constantly evolving to meet the ever-changing landscape for student travel. In addition, we have an extensive network in place to ensure the health and safety of all our participants. Here are just a few examples:

Field Specialist

to meet your group at the airport and assist with bags

On Site Coordinator

your behind-the-scenes hotel expert to assist your group should the need arise

Course Leader

your destination expert to lead your group and make learning come to life

Night Chaperones

stationed on each hallway, each night, to keep a watchful eye over the students

WorldAssist

a 24/7 support hotline staffed by WorldStrides employees who are trained to handle any situation

Doctors on Call

an exclusive partnership with The George Washington University Department of Emergency Medicine that grants us access to doctors for consultations and treatment recommendations

Through our Discovery for Credit program, students traveling on a WorldStrides trip can receive free high school credit, and high school students in grades 9-12 may be eligible to receive up to three college credits. See worldstrides.com/academic-credit for details.

The Amazing Benefits

of Educational Student Travel

This trip will provide endless chances to actively engage with the places and landmarks you've only seen in textbooks. We call this LEAP—Learning through Exploration and Active Participation—and it's a key driver behind the stats below.

Students who travel have a...



54% increased willingness to know, learn, and explore new things



36% increased desire to attend college/university



50% increase in self-confidence, independence, and self-esteem



37% increased marketability to potential employers