FIELD TRIP REQUEST FORM

Name of School: Conner High School
Date of Field Trip: July 15-23,2025 HOW MUCH STUDENTS ARE BEING CHARGED #160 a month/3/months
Location of Field Trip: Athens, Crete, Santorini TIME: July 15-23, 2025.
Grade Level and Number of Students Attending: Class of 2025 and 2026 (Minimum 6/max30)
Number of Chaperones Attending: One Chaperone per 6 students
What form of transportation will be used?* Be Specific. Airplane, Bus (Coardinated by
Have field trip rules been explained to the students and chaperones? Are there students being denied the right to attend due to finances? Does this trip comply with Title IX equity issues? YES NO Education First Education First YES NO Education First YES NO
Brief Description (Be specific regarding educational purpose):
Education First Educational Tours will provide Man an tour by
a town guide to expose students to realword experiences in a study abroad.
trip to positively impact students' growth minds a lobal perspective,
Please check the appropriate box: and personal development
To be used for 1 (one) day trips using school bus or private automobile.* NEEDS PRINCIPAL APPROVAL ONLY. PLEASE SEND ALL FORMS TO DISTRICT OFFICE. To the 1 ocation OFFICE. Crefe, and
To be used for overnight trips, trips of more than one instructional day and Co-curicular/ Extracurricular trips. TO BE APPROVED BY THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT.
To be used for trips taken by common carrier.
TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
NOTE: FOR BOARD APPROVAL, THIS REQUEST SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE BY NOON AT LEAST (11) WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO THE NEXT BOARD MEETING. Sponsor Signature: Date Approved: 11/28/22
DISTRICT OFFICE USE ONLY
Approved by: Date:
* Drivers of private automobiles need to complete the Auto Insurance Affidavit Form.



A District Guide to Educational Travel Abroad:

Safety & Security

Liability Protection

Affordability

Educational Value

District Involvement in Travel

Prepared by **EF Educational Tours**

The World Leader in International Education



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Purpose of this Document

These last two years have brought with them a new set of challenges for school districts across the nation, and we recognize that some districts are in the process of evaluating their relationship with educational student travel. The purpose of this document is to provide district leaders with information about what we understand, based on EF's relationships with thousands of districts around the country, to be your main priorities and considerations around educational student travel.

Whether or not your district plans to be directly involved in travel moving forward, we hope this document provides you with the information you need to feel confident in EF as an educational travel provider. Also included are different examples of districts' involvement in travel ranging from a formal selection of approved providers, to supporting travel experiences but not in an official school capacity, to having travel managed at the individual teacher level. With decades of experience working with districts in these different capacities, we hope this insight can be beneficial if or when your district makes decisions around travel.

EF's Commitment to Your District in COVID-19 & Beyond

Since our founding in 1965, EF Education First has led the educational travel industry. Our global presence, focus on safety, and our stability in times like these are some of the main reasons why districts, schools, teachers, and families choose to travel with EF. Unlike many other student travel providers, we are a family-run company focused on the safety of our travelers and delivering on our mission to open the world through education.

Throughout the entirety of the COVID-19 situation, we have continued to look for ways to amend and adjust our policies to be as flexible, transparent, and supportive as we can be with our travelers. We are actively reviewing our policies and want you to be a partner in that conversation.

We remain committed, as we have for over 50 years, to providing students with the opportunity to see the world and experience the life-changing power of educational travel. At EF, we believe in one simple truth - that the world is better when people try to understand one another – and we look forward to helping students and educators live out their dreams of experiencing the world.

The subsequent pages provide an overview of EF's normal operating procedures along with enhancements we have now implemented in response to COVID-19 to provide additional levels of protection for travelers both from a peace of mind and financial standpoint.



Safety & Security

The safety of our travelers always has been and always will be our first priority. At no time has that commitment been more important than in the COVID-19 environment. We continue to closely monitor the COVID-19 situation around the world and are working tirelessly to help ensure travelers' safety and to provide flexibility and value as we focus on the future of educational travel. Please visit our website at https://www.eftours.com/our-covid-response for the most up-to-date information.

In March 2020, when travel restrictions were put in place by the President, we led the industry in bringing all of our travelers home – thousands of them across the world – in less than 72 hours. We took this swift and decisive action because we constantly monitor and are guided by the advisories and recommendations of the U.S. State Department and in the instance of the current pandemic, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. We went above and beyond federal, state, and international guidelines to get customers out of harm's way. As soon as travelers were home safely, we turned our focus toward amending policies and creating options that allow as many teachers and students as possible to still travel with us – when they are ready.

Here are the main ways we are leading the charge on student safety:

• Risk Mitigation

- Our extensive network of offices around the world and integration of ISO 31000: Risk Management Guidelines help our dedicated 24/7 Emergency Service and Safety & Incident Response Teams anticipate and address on-tour challenges in a flexible and swift way.
- EF has a worldwide presence as one of the largest privately held international education companies in the world with over 600 schools and offices in more than 50 countries worldwide, including regional offices dedicated to on-tour support.
 - As the only educational travel company with this level of extensive worldwide presence, EF can provide unparalleled additional support to our groups where needed.
- EF conducts background checks on all adult travelers 20 years and older (at no cost to them or the school/district).

Peace of Mind Program

- We understand that plans can change due to unforeseen circumstances. EF provides an exclusive Peace of Mind program to account for such situations. This program is automatically included for all travelers and can be enacted at the group level for any reason, including terrorism, pandemics, or other world events.
- The Group Leader may choose from the following options:
 - 45 days or more prior to departure:
 - Work with EF to modify the group's current tour itinerary and



- dates, or find a new tour and apply all money paid to the new tour
- Cancel the tour and all travelers will receive a transferable
 Future Travel Voucher in the amount of all monies paid for the original tour, less the cost of any purchased Travel Protection plan
- Cancel the tour with applicable fees under the Standard Cancellation Policy
- Forty-four days or less prior to departure, if any location(s) included in the group's itinerary is newly designated as a Travel Advisory Level 4 by the U.S. Department of State; or a U.S. federal or state governmental authority has newly imposed a travel ban to the group's destination, or newly issued an order requiring a self-quarantine for travelers in the group upon arrival to a location on the itinerary or upon return home from a location on the group's itinerary; the Group Leader or the individual traveler may choose not to depart on the tour as scheduled and will have the same Peace of Mind options set forth above.

Please visit https://www.eftours.com/help-center/policies/coverage-flexibility/2022-coverage-flexibility for more details.

EF COVID Care Promise

- o If a traveler is diagnosed with COVID-19 while on tour, EF will provide or arrange for the following, consistent with local requirements, at no additional expense to the traveler throughout the duration of any on-tour hospitalization or quarantine period:
 - Lodging and meals
 - EF representatives available to support the traveler and to coordinate with local authorities on their behalf where necessary
 - Assistance connecting with local health care providers
 - Translation services
 - Communication between the traveler and the traveler's family back home
 - EF arranged flights home, based on existing itinerary, for the traveler once cleared to return
 - If the diagnosed traveler is a minor, flights for their parent or guardian to join them at the tour location
- o If a traveler or group is not diagnosed with, yet is required to quarantine on account of, COVID-19 while on tour, EF will provide or arrange for the following, consistent with local requirements, at no additional expense to the travelers throughout the duration of any on-tour non-hospitalized quarantine period:
 - Lodging and meals
 - EF representatives available to support the traveler or group and to coordinate with local authorities on their behalf where necessary
 - Assistance connecting with local health care providers



- Translation services
- Communication between the traveler or group and their family back home
- EF arranged flights home for the traveler or group once cleared to return

Travelers' Options for Travel Protection Plans

- Travelers can choose to enroll in the Global Travel Protection Plan, which we offer because many insurance companies do not provide adequate coverage for people traveling abroad. Designed specifically with EF travelers in mind, this affordable plan provides protection for travelers should something unexpected happen before, en route to or during the tour.
- *New Global Travel Protection Plan Plus This is an additional option for individuals who would like to purchase even more travel protection, including the ability to cancel for any reason right up until departure. This plan is available to new travelers enrolling on tour.

• Risk Free Enrollment Period – available to all new travelers

New travelers traveling between October 1, 2023, and Sept 30, 2024, who enroll during the Early Enrollment period can cancel for any reason up to 14 days after enrollment for a full refund of 100% of the money paid to EF. To be eligible, the traveler must enroll on a tour at least 110 days prior to the scheduled departure date. Travelers must pay in full or enroll in our Automatic Payment Plan at the time of program enrollment and must remain either paid in full or enrolled in our Automatic Payment Plan and in good financial standing at the time of cancellation to remain eligible.

Please visit https://www.eftours.com/help-center/policies/coverage-flexibility#riskfree for more details.

Unparalleled Pre-Tour Preparation & On-Tour Support

- o EF maintains Operations Safety & Incident Response Teams in operational hubs around the world.
- Our US-based Emergency Services & Support Team is available 24/7 for travelers and families.
- A multi-lingual, professionally-trained tour director accompanies the group start to finish on tour who is prepared to assist in the response to emergency situations that may arise on tour in addition to handling all logistics and providing educational content along the way.
- o Pre-tour training is offered for all new group leaders that helps to ensure a focus on pre-tour preparation for travelers and on-tour safety.

Please visit https://www.eftours.com/how-it-works/safety for more information on our commitment to travelers' safety.



District Liability Protection

Districts across the country have varying levels of formal and informal involvement in their schools' global travel programs. Some choose to vet and approve travel providers and offer a district approval process for tours, while others prefer not to be directly involved in travel. **Either way, the support and liability protection that EF provides to educators, schools, districts, and school boards is the same.**

• <u>Liability Coverage</u>:

- All Group Leaders, schools, and districts who travel with EF are automatically added as Additional Insureds on our \$50 million General Liability Policy, regardless of whether or not the tour is affiliated with the school. The policy safeguards Group Leaders, schools and districts for covered claims related to on-tour incidents such as bodily injury or property damage. It also provides a legal defense and covers all legal fees.
- o. This coverage is primary and non-contributory.
- EF can provide a Certificate of Insurance at the district's request to show proof of coverage.

• Release of Liability:

Every traveler is required to accept the conditions found in our Traveler Release &
Agreement, including a clause that provides a general release of liability of the Group
Leader, school, district, and school board regardless of whether or not the tour is
affiliated with the school or district.



Affordability

EF shares your commitment to making travel accessible to as many students as possible and helps to ensure that in some key ways:

- Dedication to providing the lowest price on the market
- Flexible and practical payment options for families including an automatic payment plan at no additional charge
- The option to plan tours years in advance, which means securing lower prices, spreading
 payments out into the smallest amounts possible, and therefore increasing access to travel for
 more families
- \$100,000 in student scholarships awarded annually based on a combination of need and merit
- An individual tour donation page for each enrolled traveler to help with fundraising (100% of funds goes to the traveler's account)

Educational Value

Our educational philosophy is simple: the best way to help students gain new perspectives and build skills for the future is through experiential learning. EF tours amplify the lessons educators teach in the classroom by enabling hands-on, real-world experiences that open students' minds and help them become more well-rounded. Each student emerges from tour with the EF G²PA comprised of our research-backed, travel-based learning outcomes that cover the full spectrum of social-emotional learning.

- The G²PA helps ready students for the real world and serves as a catalyst for ever-expanding growth back home. It is unique for each student because every traveler gains something different on tour, but it is rooted in these four components:
 - o Growth mindset
 - o Global perspective
 - Personal development
 - Action and impact
- EF is accredited by five prestigious educational associations across the country.
- Through a unique partnership with Southern New Hampshire University, recently named the
 most innovative university in the country by US News & World Report, EF student travelers may
 earn 3 college credits for \$215 in conjunction with their travel.
- Educators traveling on student tours may earn up to 45 free hours toward relicensure OR 3 or 6 graduate level credits (\$285/\$450) through Southern New Hampshire University.
- Students also have the opportunity to earn 0.5 high school credit through EF's Personalized Learning Guide by developing a question to investigate on tour and then creating a post-tour project.
- To learn more about EF's educational philosophy, visit https://www.eftours.com/ourstory/educational-approach, and click on the link to our Educational Impact Report https://www.eftours.com/ourstory/educational-approach, and click on the link to our Educational Impact Report https://www.eftours.com/ourstory/educational-approach, and click on the link to our Educational Impact Report https://www.eftours.com/ourstory/educational-approach, and click on the link to our Educational Impact Report https://www.eftours.com/ourstory/educational-approach, and click on the link to our Educational Impact Report https://www.eftours.com/ourstory/educational-approach, and click on the link to our Educational Impact Report https://www.eftours.com/ourstory/educational-approach, and click on the link to our Educational Impact Report https://www.eftours.com/ourstory/educational-approach, and the second in the link of th



<u>Important Considerations around District Involvement in Travel</u>

We have consulted with numerous districts around the country as they consider their approach to educational student travel and have found that most districts fall into one of the below categories or a combination of the two. Each district's situation is unique, however, and we are always available to individually consult with your leadership team.

- Some districts find that supporting travel but avoiding having an official district approval process serves the district well in these ways:
 - o The district is able to separate itself from any tour-related issues that might arise including, for example, any financial matters related to travel costs.
 - While the district is included in the traveler's release of liability and covered under EF's general liability protection as mentioned earlier, the district is able to further distance itself from liability related to on-tour bodily injury or property damage.
 - Many districts allow teachers to promote their travel programs in school but have parents sign an additional district waiver further acknowledging that travel is not affiliated with the district.
 - It saves the district the time and effort necessary to develop and administer a travel approval process.
- Other districts choose to be directly involved with travel. This approach allows for more district control over travel as it establishes a clear approval process for tours. It can take a number of different forms including but not limited to:
 - Establishing a process for vetting and selecting a list of approved travel providers
 - o Choosing one travel provider as the district partner

Next Steps

Most districts agree that opening the world through travel-based learning is a valuable part of students' education and development as global citizens. As an education organization, we are listening to parents and educators like you around the country, and you can be assured that EF has your travelers' safety and the protection of their financial investments front of mind. EF continues to lead the industry in adapting to new travel needs and setting new travel standards, leadership that our competitors continue looking to in times like these. We are rethinking the way tours will operate – everything from bus capacity to hotels to extra safety measures – and will continue to keep traveler safety our number one priority.

We hope that this document further reinforces your confidence in EF as an educational travel provider, and we look forward to showing your students the world.





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Student travel with EF Educational Tours can help district leaders achieve their goals

EF has been partnering with district leaders for over 50 years to ensure that our educational tours address some of your most pressing needs. As an accredited institution, we help educators across the country create global travel programs that blend classroom and experiential learning for students. Students and educators alike return with a better understanding of the world, themselves, and themselves in the world.

Student engagement and curiosity

- Travel correlates with higher academic achievement and graduation rates
- Real-world connections render classroom lessons more dynamic and relevant
- Exposure to new ideas opens doors to new possibilities and can influence your whole district

Professional development for educators

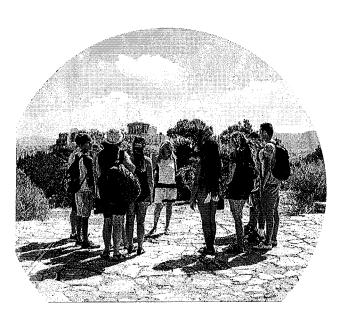
- Training tours, educational symposia, and professional learning tours support global education and cultivate professional learning communities
- Educators can earn 45 free professional learning hours/points on all EF tours
- 3- and 6-credit graduate courses are available for under \$500, exclusively to EF travelers

Social-emotional learning

- Students develop awareness, empathy, and respect for people from different backgrounds
- Students grow more responsible and mature while away from home and in unfamiliar settings
- 95% of EF Group Leaders report their students gained confidence and independence on tour

College and career readiness

- Travel fosters collaboration, cultural understanding, open-mindedness, and interdisciplinary thinking
- Experiences like having a roommate and exploring new places and ideas offer a taste of adulthood
- Students can prepare for college and earn 3 transferable credits from Southern New Hampshire University available only to EF travelers.



"They come home with the sense 'I'm part of a bigger world. Other people are more like me than I thought they were.' They also have a different and deeper appreciation for who they are and what they have here at home.

- School administrator and 2019 traveler

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History, mythology, and natural beauty collide on this breathtaking Athens, Santorini, and Crete tour. First, explore Athens, Europe's first capital and the birthplace of democracy. Then, marvel at Crete's architecture and ancient ruins as you explore the island where European civilization began. Finally, get your fill of natural splendor as you take in Santorini's stunning cliffside towns and famous Perissa Black Sand Beach.

YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



Full-time Tour Director



Sightseeing: 2 sightseeing tours led by your Tour Director; 5 walking tours



Entrances: Acropolis; Acropolis Museum; Knossos Palace; Heraklion Archaeological Museum; Spinalonga boat ride; Akrotiri Excavations

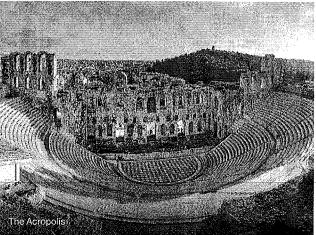


Personalized learning guide: Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.





All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; 2 internal flights; comfortable motorcoach; high-speed ferry; 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; European breakfast and dinner daily





Anyone can see the world.

YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

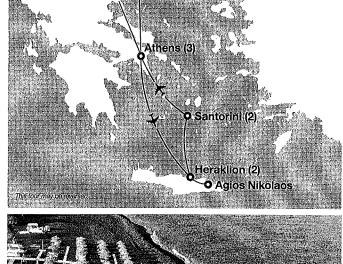
@EFtours I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school **#traveltuesday**

- MELISSA, TRAVELER

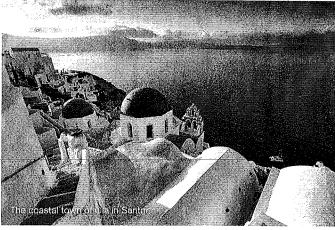


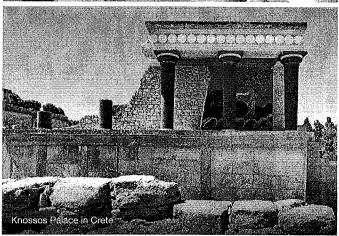


CHECK OUT WHAT A TOUR IS ALL ABOUT Watch the videos at eftours.com/









What you'll experience on your tour

Day 1: Fly overnight to Greece

Day 2: Athens

 Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Athens and get excited to explore the ancient city named for Athena, the goddess of war and wisdom.

Day 3: Athens

- Take an expert-led tour of Athens, where you'll see the Olympic Stadium that hosted the first modern Olympics in 1896.
- Visit the Acropolis to view the Parthenon, perhaps the world's greatest architectural feat.
 See the Temple of Athena Nike, which once housed a gold statue of the goddess, her wings clipped to prevent her from deserting the city.
- Visit the Acropolis Museum.
- Take a walking tour of Athens.

Day 4: Athens | Heraklion

- Fly to Heraklion, the largest city on the island of Crete. Considered to be the birthplace of the first European civilization, Crete has a diverse history that inspires its many one-ofa-kind experiences: The island's blend of Minoan, Classical, Byzantine, Venetian, and Turkish cultures is evidenced in the architecture you'll see, the art you'll admire, the food you'll sample, and so much more.
- Enjoy a walking tour with your Tour Director.
 Then, get to know the city even better on an expert-led sightseeing tour around the city.
- Visit Knossos Palace, which was designed, according to Greek mythology, by an Athenian architect named Daedalus who built it so cleverly that it was impossible for anyone to find their way back out of the palace without a guide.
- Visit the state-of-the-art Heraklion
 Archaeological Museum, one of the most important museums in all of Europe, which holds treasures that date from Neolithic to Roman times.

Day 5: Heraklion | Agios Nikolaos | Spinalonga Island

- Travel to Agios Nikolaos, a picturesque seaside town east of Heraklion. It's home to the ancient lake of Voulismeni, where legends say Greek goddesses Athena and Artemis bathed. Take in the breathtaking sights with your Tour Director.
- Enjoy a short, scenic boat cruise to Spinalonga' Island, where you'll spend the day soaking up sunshine and history. Admire the island's Venetian-influenced architecture and famous archaeological fortress while you explore the island.

Day 6: Heraklion Santorini

- Take an early morning high-speed ferry from Heraklion to the island of Santorini (the municipality of which actually consists of a group of islands, only some of which are inhabited).
- Visit the archaeological site of Akrotiri, a village on the south side of Santorini. Known as the Greek Pompeii, Akrotiri was buried by a volcanic eruption in 1613 BC. However, excavations have revealed evidence of human life dating all the way back to the Neolithic Age.
- Take a walking tour of Santorini's capital, Thira.
- Enjoy free time to explore more of this beautiful island on your own.

Day 7: Santorini | Oia Village

- Stop for a photo at the Prophet Elias
 Monastery, a church built in 1711 on the summit of Mount Profitis Ilias, the highest point on the island.
- Take a walking tour of the coastal village Perissa.
- For lunch, head to the Perissa Black Sand Beach, which is renowned for its deep, dark blue water and black lava sand.
- Travel to Oia Village.
- Situated atop an impressive cliff and filled with beautiful white buildings topped with bright rooftops, Oia is one of the most photographed places in all of Greece. Take in the blue-domed churches and winding paths as you get to know the village on a walking tour.
- Explore more of Oia on your own, and make sure to find the perfect spot to view one of Oia's world-famous sunsets. (Over by Oia Castle is a popular choice, but ask your Tour Director for their favorite ecommendation!)

Day 8: Santorini | Athens

- Take a morning flight back to Athens.
- Choose to have more time to explore Athens or
 attend a Greek evening filled with music
 and dancing.

Day 9: Depart for home

My students not only learned about other cultures and had wonderful experiences, but also grew as individuals, learning independence, patience, community, taking on new challenges, and a lot about diversity.

- MICHAEL C., GROUP LEADER



Hiking endless paths and numerous gorges. Unique food you won't find anywhere else in Greece. A huge mixture of architecture that creates a beautiful pattern of diversity. The most incredible folklore culture. Magical mountain villages away from civilization. And most important of all, warm, friendly people who believe that hospitality is their duty to the community. As you can see, [Crete] has it all.

-ARTIN, TOUR DIRECTOR

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My daughter has gained such an amazing view of the world and history from this experience. She has not stopped talking since I picked her up at the airport. Thank you for all the organization, helpful hints, flexible payment plan, and knowledgeable tour guides.

-CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



Tour review

THE WORLD LEADER IN INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

For over 55 years, EF has been working toward one global mission: *Opening the World Through Education*. Your teacher has partnered with EF because of our unmatched worldwide presence, our focus on affordability, and our commitment to providing experiences that teach critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, and global competence. What's more:

- We always offer the lowest prices so more students can travel.
- We're fully accredited, just like your school, so you can earn credit while on tour.
- All of our educational tours feature experiential learning activities and visits to the best sites.
- We're completely committed to your safety.
 We have more than 600 schools and offices in over 50 countries around the world, so local EF staff members can react quickly and in person wherever you travel.
- Your full-time Tour Director is with your group every step of the way on tour, providing insight about your destinations as well as great local tips.



Questions? I'm available. Just let me know.



Johnmy Daniels

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PRICE DETAILS

YOUR TOUR TEAM & SUPPORT