



Tour Behavioral Expectations

Our expectations are tiered, with corresponding consequences.

Tier 1 – No disciplinary action, just general behavioral expectations for the trip.

Respect Others: Please follow the age old rule: “Treat others the way you wish to be treated.” You will be traveling with high school students from other schools, and will be acting as representatives of your school and country. Please be kind and understanding of everyone’s differences and strive to always be considerate of those around you.

Patience: Traveling abroad requires a great deal of patience. There will be long wait periods in airports, long flights, and unexpected delays while on tour; be prepared and accept them. This can be difficult because many times you will be tired, but you must remind yourself to relax and enjoy the challenges as much as the amazing things you will see and do. Embrace these as opportunities to bond with your traveling companions.

Complaining: You will be tired. We will be walking...A LOT. The food may not be exactly what you want. It probably WILL rain at some point. Mentally preparing yourself for these and other eventualities will help you deal with them with much more ease. In fact, the best stories usually come from those situations where everything didn’t go exactly as planned. There are only three things we believe are worth complaining about: if you feel you are sick, unsafe or being mistreated. Otherwise, take a deep breath, look around, snap a picture, and carry on. YOU’RE TRAVELING ABROAD!!

Cleanliness: While this goes without saying, it can be difficult on tour because we are moving around a lot. Please remember to shower at all opportunities and try your best to keep your clothes and belongings organized to save space in your rooms and avoid losing personal items.

Tier 2 – These actions will harm the group or put you in possible danger and will most likely earn you a stern motherly/fatherly lecture.

Free Time: At no point when we stop to eat or shop or explore will any student(s) go off in a group of less than 3 people, and without notifying your group leader. This is a safety procedure that will help stop rascals, scalawags, ne’er-do-wells, rogues, and other mischief-makers from targeting you. The vast majority of the time, you will be within feet of a chaperone. However, there will be opportunities for you to choose a different restaurant, or shop in a market where you will need to use the buddy system.

Contraband Purchases: Please be aware of what you’re purchasing. Things such as swords, guns, cigars, etc. can cause issues while traveling. While these items may not necessarily be illegal, they can drastically hold up group travel which can harm the experiences of the entire group. If you plan on getting some sort of extravagant item, you will need to have a plan to get it home without worrying about customs or check points.

Promptness: It is vital that everyone is on time. Being late will throw off the strict itinerary of the entire group. Students who are drastically late will be left behind with a chaperone, and thus will miss out on some of the events for that day.



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Stay with the Group: There are many amazing, beautiful, awe inspiring sights to see on tour, but everyone must stay with the group at all times. Do not wander off alone at any time. Listen to your group leader's and tour director's instructions and make sure you are always accounted for.

Tier 3 – These actions will result in removal from the tour and an immediate trip home at the student's/family's expense.

Curfew: While we hope this is never an issue due to our packed itinerary, students at no time should leave the hotel after curfew. Group leaders will check students in their rooms at night, and once check-in occurs, students are NOT to leave on their own to explore the city at night.

Hotel Damage/Vandalism: If students decide to test their inner rock star on tour by trashing their room or vandalizing other locations on tour, they will be sent home and charged for the damage.

Alcohol/Drugs: Even though laws regulating alcohol consumption are less restrictive abroad, because this is a trip sanctioned by Westerville City Schools, any student who consumes alcohol will be subject to removal from the tour. Likewise, students who use any drug that is not prescribed and/or is illegal in the United States will also be subject to removal from tour.

Room Visits: While you have, and will make, many friends on tour, for security reasons we insist that travelers stay out of rooms to which they are not assigned. All hotels have spacious common areas for everyone to gather, and thus there should be no need to venture into somebody else's room..

**** Failure to obey rules on tour set forth by either a group leader or the tour director could fall under any tier depending on the severity of the situation****



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I, _____,

(Traveler – print name)

hereby acknowledge that I have received, and have read and understand, the behavioral expectations sheet for the World War II trip provided by my group leader. Further, I agree to follow all reasonable requests of the chaperone, group leaders, tour guide(s), and tour director. I understand that Ms. Baughman, Mrs. Matushonek, and/or Mr. Mollenkopf will be the final arbiter(s) regarding rules and rule violations.

Signature – traveler

date

Signature – parent/legal guardian

date