

APALACHEE TRAVEL PROGRAM

The Apalachee Travel Program was established in 2018 by Ms. Lamb and Ms. Bohannon. The aim of this program is to make international travel available to as many students as possible. We believe travel provides many benefits to students, including making them more open-minded and empathetic to the experiences of others. Plus, seeing world famous historic and cultural sites like the Great Wall of China or the Eiffel Tower or getting to do things like zipline through a rainforest are fun opportunities that we are excited to be able to offer to students.

When we travel, we use the tour company Education First, or EF, as our partner in this endeavor. EF has been the leader in student educational travel for the last fifty years. They offer itineraries for us to choose from in Asia, South America, Africa, Australia, and Europe, and give us SO many options for where we can take students.

Most importantly, EF makes travel hassle free for us. So many things can come up at the last minute or go wrong when you travel internationally, and there are so many little details that need to be worked out to make a trip successful and enjoyable. EF handles all these little details, and will respond to all the inevitable problems that arise while on tour. This leaves travelers with the ability to travel in a way that is stress free, making EF a good option for students who are exploring international travel for the first time and would like an easier introduction to travel.

In an effort to make international travel as affordable to as many people as possible, we plan out two years in advance. This allows students and families to make monthly or bimonthly payments over a longer period of time, making those payments lower and more affordable. At any given time, we may have anywhere from two to four trips in progress that a student could join. We have parent meetings to promote whatever current tours we are working on at least once a semester.

If international travel is something your student wants to explore, be on the lookout for our next meeting or reach out to us through email. We would be happy to share whatever information we have about current tours in the works with you.

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