

Bavaria and Beyond



Visit Budapest,
Hungary



Explore Rothenberg,
Germany



Tour Prague,
Czech Republic



Marvel at Munich,
Germany



Travel Vienna,
Austria



Experience
Dachau



Discover Salzburg,
Austria



Enjoy
Berchtesgaden,
Germany

*Note – this trip is not affiliated with Moscow Middle School or the Moscow School District. It is an independent student/parent educational opportunity.

Tonight's Agenda



- Introduction and Short Video showing the highlights of the trip
- Why travel as a Middle School Student?
- Safety Matters
- Day-by-Day Itinerary
- Introduce the group leaders
- Why we changed to Explorica
- An educational experience, not just a trip
- Numbers of travelers and ratio
- Expense Breakdown
- Spending cash
- Monthly Payments
- What is included
- What is not included
- Fundraising
- Applications Process
- Selection Process
- Frequently asked questions
- Selection timeline
- Question/Comments/Freaking outs 😊



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Why travel as a middle school student?

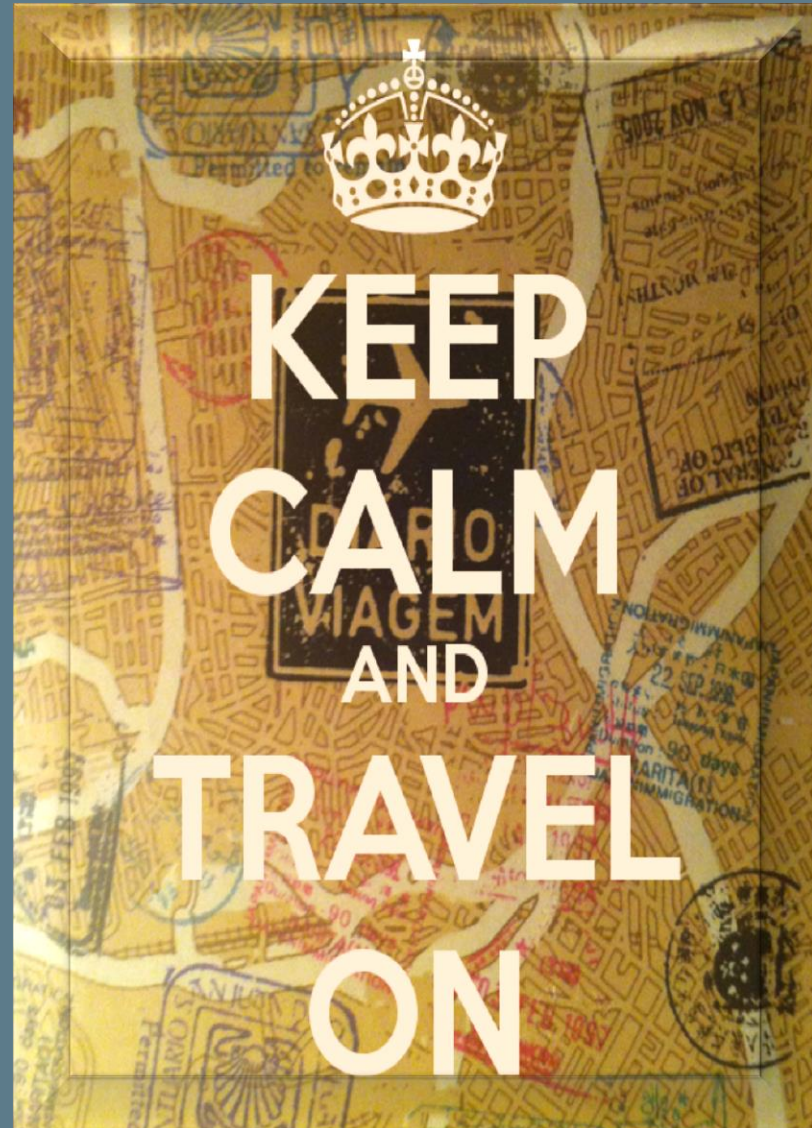
- Learn and understand first-hand about people and societies around the world
- A good time to bond with your child before life gets too busy with high school activities
- A valuable world experience and personal growth that they can apply in their high school & college classes
- Creates strong friendships that only a shared travel experience can provide
- Helps students appreciate and understand where they live in a whole new light





Safetymatters

- Explorica and the State Department
- Jason and Matthew
- Re-evaluate like every trip IF something arises
- Seen it before...Japan and Tsunami; China and North Korea issues, France and train strikes. We will take care and make things work!



Our Trip Itinerary

Day 1 – Fly overnight to
Budapest (June 12th)



Day 2 – Arrive
in Budapest





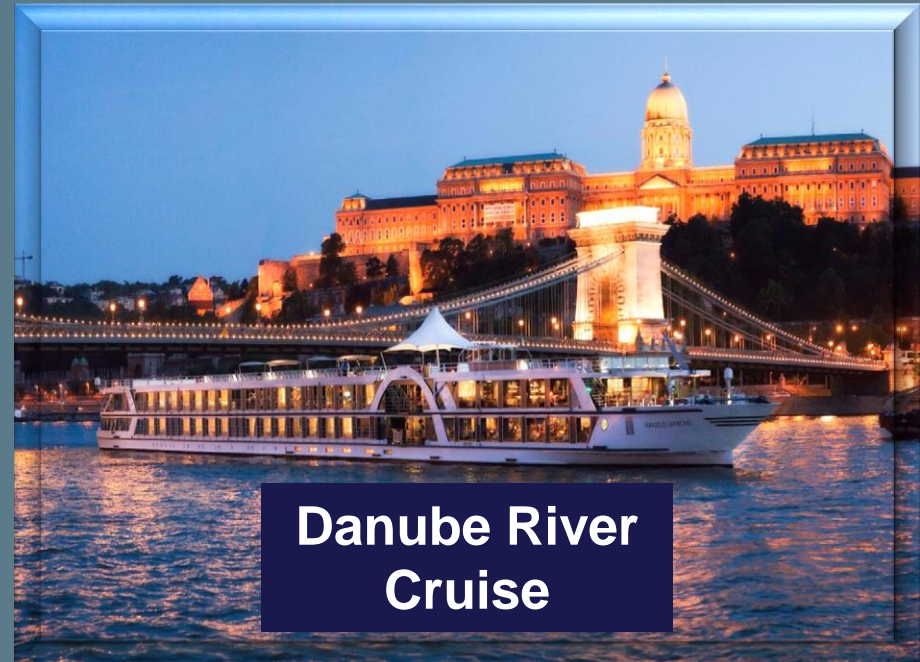
Széchenyi Thermal Bath

Day 3 – Budapest Landmarks

- Guided sightseeing tour of Budapest
- Danube River Cruise
- Széchenyi thermal bath



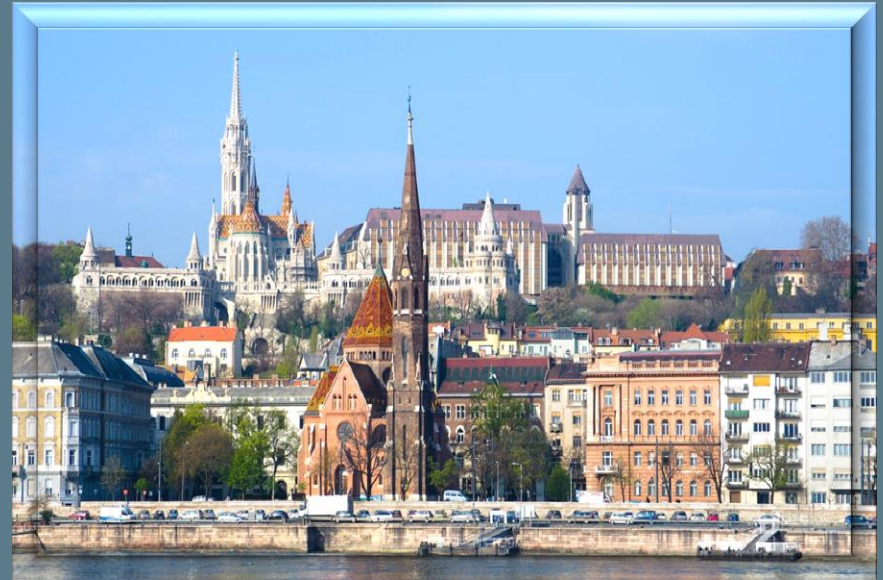
Budapest City Tour



Danube River Cruise

Day 4 – Budapest-Vienna

- Travel to Vienna via motor coach
- Visit the Schonbrunn Palace
- Take a Vienna City Walk
- Wiener Schnitzel Dinner



Vienna City Walk



Schonbrunn Palace



Wiener Schnitzel Dinner

Day 5 – Vienna-Prague

- Travel to Prague via Cesky Krumlov
- Cesky Krumlov City Walk



Cesky Krumlov



Day 6 – Prague



Bar Bar



- Visit the Nizbor Bohemia Glass Factory
- Check out the Hradcany Castle, Charles Bridge, Astronomical Clock, and the St. Vitus Cathedral
- Enjoy dinner at Bar Bar



Bohemia Glass
Factory Tour



Charles Bridge and Hradcany Castle



St. Vitus Cathedral

Day 7 – Prague to Salzburg

- Travel to Salzburg via motor coach
- Slide down a banister into a salt mine!



Salt Mine Slide

Day 8 – Salzburg

- Visit the Werfen Ice Caves
- Tour Hitler's Eagles Nest
- Check out Berchtesgaden where the Paradise Ridge Challenge Course was inspired



Werfen Ice Caves



Beautiful Berchtesgaden



Hitler's Eagles Nest

Day 9 – Salzburg- Munich

- Munich City Bike Tour
- Dachau Tour
- Bavarian Bratwurst dinner at world famous Hofbrauhaus



Tour Dachau

Munich Bike Tour



Dinner at Hofbrauhaus



Day 10 – Munich

- Neuschwanstein Castle
- Get your soccer on at the Allianz Soccer Stadium
- Fulfill your need for speed at BWM World!



Tour the Allianz Stadium



Day 11 – Munich-Rothenberg



**Visit the Bavarian
Town of Rothenberg
and step back in time!**

**Take the Night
Watchman's tour of
the town**



Day 12 – Travel to Frankfurt and depart for home



Memories made



Trip Leaders: Jason Albrecht, Matthew Haley, Stacy Albrecht,
and Daniel Haley



Student Applicants – Trip focus
Adult Applicants – Supporting role

Why the Change to Explorica?



the
experience
is everything.®

- Flexibility to customize
- More willing to work with our groups' requirements

Create a unique learning opportunity ... this is more than just a trip!

- Pre and post trip meetings – 85% attendance required for ALL travelers
- Informational meetings including history, culture, travel tips and more
- Challenge course team building activities



- Travel preparation: passports, luggage, what to expect, etc.



Number of trip participants

- Trip Leaders.....4 filled positions
- Student Applicants.....29 slots available
- Adult Applicants.....12 slots available



Trip total = 49
travelers

Student Cost = \$4,389

Est. \$250/mo. (17 payments)

Adult Cost = \$4,834

Est. \$275/mo. (17 payments)

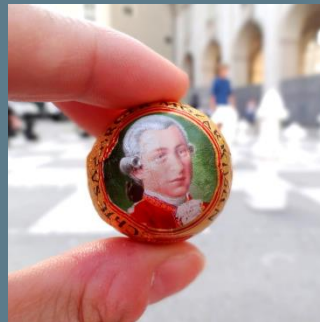
<i>Project Cost Breakdown/Summary</i>	
Program Fee (\$50 Enrollment Fee built in)	\$4,169
Group Gratuity Fees	\$101
All Inclusive Travel Insurance (required)	\$144
Door to door bus from Moscow, Idaho	\$200
<i>Adult Supplement (If applicable)</i>	<i>\$445</i>
Additional Adjustment Discounts	-\$225
Student Traveler Cost	\$4,389.00
Adult Traveler Cost	\$4,834.00
Total Due at Sign-in by December 4th at 3:00 pm This will be your first payment due at signing and is deducted from the total cost	\$194



We will run FIVE all group fundraisers to help you raise money for the trip

Spending Cash

- \$500 spending cash encouraged for lunches and Souvenirs
- Use our fundraisers to help you earn this!



Monthly Payment Plan Benefits

- Automatic deduction from your checking account each month. Approximately \$250/month for students and \$275/month for adults.
- No late fees
- Final payment deadline up to 30 days prior to departure
- Other payment options are available



Is the cost of this trip tax deductible? No. Explorica is a for profit company and our trips are NOT affiliated with the Moscow School District

What is included?

- Round trip airfare from Spokane
- Lodging in Hotels
 - Students: 2 to 5 per room depending on location (students with students)
 - Adults: 2 per room (adults with adults)
- Transportation throughout the trip from MMS back to MMS
- Explorica tour director to guide us on the ground
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Guided sightseeing/walking tours
- Entrance fees to selected attractions



What is not included?



- \$50 for two pre-trip team building activities at Paradise Ridge Challenge Course
- Lunches, beverages, and snacks throughout the day
- Passport fees



- Souvenirs
- Additional airline baggage fees
- Phone calls and/or internet café access
- We recommend \$500 for additional expenses.

Fundraisers



- Group Fundraisers
 - We will help with FIVE group fundraisers
 - Valentines chocolate sale
 - Mother's Day Sale
 - June car wash
 - September donut sale
 - December holiday sales

➤ Individual Fundraisers

- All additional fundraising will be done on your own or in groups of your choosing.
 - Ideas/examples (see our website)
 - Odd Jobs for travel
 - Babysitting



Four Steps

1. Complete an application and return it to one of the trip leaders ASAP (see application due date on top of the application – Friday, November 20th at 3:00 pm).
2. Wait for a confirmation email from the trip leaders on Saturday, November 21st.
3. Once your application is accepted, complete the online instructions to enroll and pay your non-refundable \$194 (\$50 sign up plus \$144 required Insurance fee) This **must** be completed by 3:00 pm Friday, December 4th.
4. Attend all group meetings.

Application process



Selection Process

Selection criteria are as follows:

1. Completeness and professionalism of application
2. Strength of application answers
3. Probability of success while abroad





FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Can adults/parents go?
 - Yes, applications are available tonight. Usually one parent per student.

- Can a younger or older sibling go?
 - This trip is for current 5th to 8th grade students only.

- When will this trip depart and return?
 - We typically leave the week after school gets out in June. Our official dates are released three months prior to departure.

- Can a relative go on the trip?
 - They must complete an adult application and meet the age requirements of 21.

- What if I cannot pay the full trip cost?
 - Once you commit to this trip you are obligated to pay your way.
 - There are penalties for early withdrawal.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

➤ Dietary options?

- Explorica does have different meal options depending on individual needs.

➤ Medications while abroad?

- Students are responsible for all needed medications (please notify trip leaders of ANY medical issues prior to the trip).



Participant Selection Timeline

- **November 2nd** – Parent meeting and applications are out
- **November 20th** – Applications are DUE by 3:30 PM and will be reviewed by the trip leaders
- **November 21st** – Acceptance letters are sent out electronically
- **December 4th** – Accepted travelers must be enrolled online with Explorica by 3:00 pm and have paid the non-refundable \$50 fee plus required insurance \$144 (\$194).
- **December 4th 3:00 pm** – Accepted applicants who are not enrolled will lose their spot to an alternate who will be informed by Dec 5th.
- **December 10th 3:00 pm** – Alternate travelers must be signed up with Explorica
- **December 14th 1st** all group meeting
7:00 MPR



Questions, Comments, Freaking Outs?

- Any group relevant questions
- All group leaders are available for additional questions after this presentation
- Talk with a few adult travelers from past trips



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