WDP School Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa Trip 2024



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## Trip Overview

This trip is intended for grade 9 students and we will be joining Fairview School.

Students must be in good academic standing and consistent in following the Student Code of Conduct.

# Tentative Trip Date:

May 25 – May 29

## Curricular Connections



**Social Studies** 



French as a Second Language



Science



**Physical Education** 

## Curricular Connections – Social Studies

- -Honor and value the traditions, concepts and traditions, and symbols that are an expression of Canadian Identity
- -Examine the structure of Canada's federal system
- -Analyze the role citizens and organizations play in Canada's justice system
- -Understand the historic and contemporary realities of Francophones in Canada
- -Understand the multi-ethnic and intercultural makeup of Francophones in Canada
- -Understand the unique nature of Canada and
- its land, history, complexities and current issues
- -Understand contemporary challenges and contributions of Aboriginal peoples in urban, rural, cultural and linguistic settings
- -Apply historical and geographic skills to bring meaning to issues and events
- -Develop skills of historical thinking

## Curricular Connections – French as a Second Language

Students will explore various aspects of Francophone cultures at the local, provincial, national and international levels. This learning includes acquiring knowledge about the ideas, behaviours, cultural artifacts and symbols, lifestyles and language variants shared by Francophone peoples in different environments at various periods of their evolution and history

#### Curricular Connections - Science

interactions and producers, environmental environmental interdependencies consumers, monitoring impacts in ecosystems decomposers nutrient cycles endangered species succession and energy flow distribution species environmental extinction management

## Curricular Connections – Physical Education

- Students must have the opportunity for participation in activities in an alternative environment; e.g., outdoor pursuits.
- apply and refine activity-specific skills in a variety of environments;
   e.g., hiking

#### DAY 1: Travel to Quebec City

#### Saturday 25-May-2024



Board your flight from Calgary to Quebec City

-Flight to Montreal may be considered depending on group size & flight availability

Welcome to Quebec! Your **Prométour Tour Director** will meet you at the arrivals section of the airport in Quebec City and will remain with your group for the duration of your visit

Meet your driver and motor coach and get ready to start your visit of French Canada!

Make your way to your hotel to check in and drop off your luggage

Enjoy dinner in a quaint local restaurant with your group and Prometour Tour Director

Participate in the animated historical ghost tour "Crimes in New France". Revisit the most famous crimes and ghosts (6 in all) in the history of Vieux-Quebec

Overnight accommodation in **Québec City**.

Example: Best Western Plus Centre Ville Quebec (or similar)

A night hall monitor will provide added security for 4 hours -subject to availability

#### DAY 2: Beaupre Coast, Wendake & Quebec City

#### Sunday 26-May-2024



Enjoy breakfast at the hotel with your group

At **Parc de la Chute Montmorency** observe the falls from with above with a ride on the **funicular**, then have time for photos, to walk over the suspended bridge, and take the 487 steps for a different view of the falls which are higher than those of Niagara Falls

Enter the **Ste-Anne de Beaupré Basilica**. This impressive house of worship is one of the five national shrines of Canada (self-guided)

Have lunch on your own

The First Nations Community plays an important role in Quebec's history and still thrives today. Learn about Huron-Wendat history and customs during a **guided tour** of the "Onhoua Chetek8e" Huron Village, followed by a **fur workshop** and **Huron games** 

Have leisure time to explore **St-Jean Street** in the heart of Old Quebec with your group and supervisors

Enjoy dinner in a quaint local restaurant with your group and Prometour Tour Director

At the **Plains of Abraham Museum** partake in **The Soldiers of the Martello Tower** interactive workshop to learn about the daily life of a soldier in the 1812 Battle of Quebec

Overnight accommodation in **Québec City**Example: Best Western Plus Centre Ville Quebec (or similar)

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#### DAY 3: Travel to Montreal & Stop in Trois-Rivières



Enjoy breakfast at the hotel with your group

Partake in an **Interactive Legends Workshop** and learn more about the Quebec of yesteryear. With the help of professional actors, re-enact some of Quebec's most popular legends!

Experience the Quebecois tradition of sugaring off at Chez Dany Cabane à Sucre in Trois-Rivières, half-way between Montreal and Quebec City. Tour the sugar shack, enjoy a lumberjack meal, listen to folk songs, learn traditional dances, and have maple taffy on snow!

Board your motor coach and continue on to **Montreal** 

Make your way to the hotel to check in and drop off the luggage

Enter the fabulous world of the **Biodome**. Experience 5 ecosystems under one roof

Enjoy dinner in a quaint local restaurant with your group and Prometour Tour Director

Experience **AURA Notre Dame**. It's where light, orchestral music and grandiose architecture combine to create a unique multimedia spectacle, presented on one of the most amazing canvases imaginable: Notre-Dame Basilica

Overnight accommodation in downtown Montreal.

Example: Hampton Inn by Hilton Downtown Chinatown (or similar)

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#### DAY 4: Travel to Ottawa

#### Tuesday 28-May-2024



Enjoy breakfast at the hotel with your group

Board your bus and travel to **Ottawa** 

Visit **Rideau Hall**, the official residence in Ottawa of both the Canadian monarch and the Governor General of Canada

Enjoy a meal on your own in Ottawa's Byward Market

Make your way to **Parliament Hill**. Take a guided tour of the newly restored West Block, **Canada's House of Commons**. Discover the history, roles, art and architecture -subject to availability

Take a tour of the **Supreme Court of Canada** with one of the local Law students from the University of Ottawa - Learn about Canada's Justice System

Enjoy dinner in a local restaurant with your group

On the **Haunted Ottawa Jail Tour**, tour the cellblocks where inmates of all kinds were once imprisoned. Retrace the final footsteps of the condemned as you walk from death row to the last working gallows in Canada

Overnight accommodation in **Québec City**Example: Best Western Plus Centre Ville Quebec (or similar)
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## DAY 5: Return to Calgary

## Wednesday 29-May-2024



Enjoy breakfast at the hotel with your group

Visit the Canadian War Museum (self-guided)

Enjoy a meal on your own in Ottawa's **Byward Market** 

Board your bus and transfer to the airport

Say a fond *Au Revoir* to your Quebecois **Prometour Tour Director** 

Board your flight from Ottawa to Calgary

## Hazards and Safety measures

<u>Prometour</u> is an approved travel company and has many years of experiences providing tours for students. They have been used by CBE for many years. <u>Prometour</u> follow strict safety measures.

WDP has used this tour company previously for many years.

More information about safety hazards for individual activities will be clarified on the Acknowledgement of Risk.

#### Proposed trip includes:

- 4 breakfasts, and 4 dinners (lunch is not included and students will have an opportunity to purchase their own lunch
- Admission to all activities
- -Accommodation based on 3-4 per room, females with females, males with males.
- (Please contact trip leader regarding concerns with respect to accommodation.)
- -Round-trip airfare, including baggage (transport to/from airport in Calgary is not included)
- -Transportation between activities
- -A guide
- Night time hotel monitor (if available). Teacher supervisors are also on duty overnight.
- All applicable tips for bus driver, tour director, etc.

#### Cost

Depends on number of students completing the financial commitment

Maximum of 29 WDP students

Total Cost will be a maximum of \$3000

No fee waivers apply

#### **CBE Student Travel Insurance Policy**

- Mandatory for all out of province and international trips
- Has been purchased for all students, no additional fee for parents
- You have been given a copy of the policy. <u>Please read the entire policy</u>
- Effective policy date latter of:
  - September 1 of the current school year
  - Date when first deposit was paid
- Student's health must be stable for 60 days prior to effective date to be eligible for cancellation benefits related to pre-existing conditions
- This exclusion is typical for a travel insurance policy

#### CBE Student Travel Insurance Policy cont'd

- The CBE continuously engages in destination risk assessments
- If the risk for a destination is deemed to be outside of the CBE's risk tolerance at any point up to 48 hrs prior to the trip departure date and time, the trip will be cancelled and the CBE's "School Discretion Cancellation Clause" will come into effect
  - Parents may be eligible for reimbursement of up to 75% of non-refundable and non-transferrable prepaid expenses. The amount reimbursed may be further limited if other trips are cancelled at the same time by the CBE or other USIC Boards due an aggregate limit of \$500 000 (see Section 5 of the insurance policy).

#### CBE Student Travel Insurance Policy cont'd

- The policy is a second payer policy. If another policy is in effect, the insurer may require that insurance to be accessed first.
  - Example if you paid using your Visa card, and the card has a cancellation insurance policy, our insurers may require you to submit the claim to the Visa insurance first in the event of a late cancellation
- If you have questions about coverage, please contact StudyInsured at 1-866-883-9787.
- The CBE will not be responsible for rejected claims

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please read and return the letters to acknowledge financial commitment to the office by November 15, 2023

When you return your letters, please ensure that your nonrefundable deposit of \$750.00 is included

A payment schedule will be provided – all payments must be according to the payment schedule (see parent letter)

All deposits must be completed by November 15, 2023

If there is a shared custody agreement, then all forms need to be signed by both legal guardians.

Please note that students need government issued Photo ID to travel.

#### Contact information

Any questions or concerns can be directed to:

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