Belmont High School

EXHIBIT B2 6-4-13

Memo

To:

Dr. Thomas Kingston

From:

Colleen Foley, Deborah McDevitt, and Daniel Richards

CC:

Janice Darias

Date:

5/10/2013

Re:

Trip to China for students of Chinese and Social Studies students- April 2014

Please see attached proposal for a trip to China for Chinese and Social Studies students.

Proposal for China Trip April 2014

Destination:

Beijing, Xi'an, Guilin, Shanghai, China

Dates:

April 16-26, 2014

April vacation is April 19-27

Educational Rationale:

This is a unique opportunity for students studying Chinese in their Chinese classes and students studying the history and culture of China in their social studies classes to visit China and be immersed in the language and culture they have been studying throughout their high school career. The students will experience firsthand the culture of China through visits to historical and cultural sites as well as museums. As part of the educational component of the trip, students will have to prepare a lesson for the group about one of sites that they will visit and they will present to the group. The students in the Chinese classes will present in Chinese.

Number of participants:

approximately 20 (Students must have completed or be enrolled in Chinese 4H, AP Chinese, and

Modern Word History.)

Trip Leader:

Trip leader: Star Lew and Adam Zilcoski

Additional chaperones: possibly 1

Itinerary:

The group will fly to Beijing where they will spend the first 3 days of the trip. From Beijing the students will fly to Xi'an where they will spend 2 days exploring the sites before flying to Guilin. After visiting Guilin the students will head to Yangshuo for 2 days. The students will spend the final days of

the trip in Shanghai before flying home.

Projected Costs:

The trip is being organized by ACIS in Boston,

MA. The price includes flights, land

transportation, food, lodging, entrance fees, and the cost of the chaperones. Estimated cost: \$3,899. There will be one full scholarship available to a

student in need of financial assistance.

TOUR DETAILS

Apr 16 - Apr 26, 2014

Group Leader Deborah Medevitt

Group ID 41626

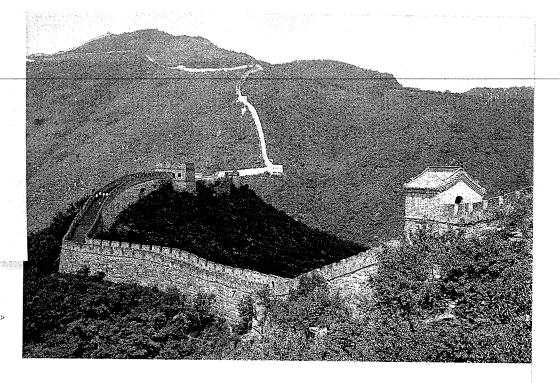
Depart From Boston

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Round-Trip Flights
- Centrally Located Hotels
- 24-Hour Tour Manager
- Beijing Tour with Guide
- Taiji Exercises
- Temple of Heaven
- Great Wall of China
- Peking Duck Dinner
- Tiananmen Square
- Forbidden City
- Kung Fu Lesson
- Beijing-Xi'an Flight
- Xi'an Tour with Guide
- Terra Cotta Warriors

- Reforestation Eco-Activity
- Xi'an-Guilin Flight
- Bamboo Rafting Cruise on Yulong
- Bicycle Tour of Yangshuo
- Tea with a Local Family
- Cultural Exchange with a Local School
- Reed Flute Cave
- Guilin-Shanghai Fliaht
- Shanghai Acrobatic
- Shanghai Tour with Guide
- Yu Yuan Garden
- All Meals Included
- Double Occupancy
- Beijing (3) Xi'an (2) Shanghai (2) Yangshuo (2)

* Map may not reflect your final trip itinerary



Insider's China

APR 16, 2014: OVERNIGHT FLIGHT Depart from the USA.

APR 17, 2014: BEIJING Arrive in Beijing, meet your guide and begin to explore this exciting, capital city. (D)

APR 18, 2014: BEIJING Start your day like a local, accompanied by your guide, with the popular Taiji exercises before visiting the majestic Temple of Heaven. Then view the Olympic site en route to the Great Wall, the world's largest manmade structure. In the evening experience local culinary history dating back over 300 years with a special Peking Duck dinner. (B,D)

APR 19, 2014: BEIJING This morning enjoy time to experience more of vibrant Bejing. Refuel with a traditional noodle lunch then explore vast Tiananmen Square and the Forbidden City's maze of buildings that were off-limits to the public for 500 years. (B,D)

APR 20, 2014: XI'AN Discover one of China's oldest martial arts during a morning Kung Fu lesson, where you will learn and practice alongside local Chinese students. Then transfer to the airport for your flight to Xi'an. (B,D)

APR 21, 2014: XI'AN Today unearth part of China's history with a visit to the life-size Terra Cotta Warriors, burial guardians of China's First Emperor. View the Bronze Chariot and see a Circle Vision movie. This afternoon you'll improve the environment and give back through participation in the community eco-program, planting trees around the local neighborhood. (B,D)

APR 22, 2014: YANGSHUO Rise early to fly to Guilin, known for its unique scenery and abundance of the Sweet Osmanthus trees, then transfer to the peaceful town of Yangshuo. If time allows, explore the cultural melting pot of West Street in the evening. The oldest street in Yangshuo, with a history dating back over 1,400 years, it has become the epicenter of foreign language learning in China and an ideal spot to engage in conversation with both native Chinese and foreigners across generations. (B,D)

APR 23, 2014: YANGSHUO Glide past the breathtaking limestone landscape of the Yulong River during your morning bamboo rafting cruise. Then return to the pier for a bicycle tour to a nearby village where you will enjoy tea with a local family. This afternoon take part in a cultural exchange with a local school where you'll channel your inner English teacher, share laughs and learn about the similarities and differences between their school day and your typical day at home. (B,D) APR 24, 2014: SHANGHAI Today you travel back to Guilin. Visit Reed Flute Cave with its stalactites, stone pillars and rock formations, and see Elephant Trunk Hill, regarded as the symbol of the Guilin landscape. Then board your flight to Shanghai. (B,D)

APR 25, 2014: SHANGHAI Enjoy a full-day guided tour of Shanghai, visiting the business district called the Bund, Yu Yuan Garden, the only fully restored classical Chinese garden in Shanghai, and

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Students will learn about the history and philosophy of Chinese martial arts.

- Students will experience a traditional school day for a Chinese student and will be able to compare and contrast it with the school system in the United States.
- Students will come to understand the impact of rapid industrial and financial growth on the native citizens, culture and lifestyle of Shanghai.

TOUR COST

Ultimate Protection Plan

Comprehensive Protection Plan

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Group Fees	
Program Fee	\$3744
Early Registration Discount	\$-100
Weekend Surcharge	\$40
Visa fee	\$215
Total Group Fees ²	\$3899
² Valid through 06/30/13 with \$200 deposit.	
Additional Fees (as applicable)	
Single Room Supplement	\$720

TOP OF THE LINE SERVICES

we offer a first-rate experience from beginning to end. With ACIS expect:

\$330

- Three- and four-star hotels in convenient locations.
- Meals mixing both native and familiar cuisines.
- Professional sightseeing tours.
- Air-conditioned touring buses.
- Four-berth couchettes for overnight trains.
- Exclusive Eurostar service for all London-to-Paris travel.

the Jade Buddha Temple. At a silk workshop you will observe the process for making this luxurious textile. Perhaps shop for last minute souvenirs, and enjoy your final dinner in China this evening. (B,D)

APR 26, 2014: DEPARTURE Depart for the USA.(B)

This is a preliminary itinerary for your group.

Cultural Connections

Taiji Exercises

Join locals for Taiji exercises and meditation on the grounds of the Temple of Heaven.

Kung Fu Lesson

Challenge yourself in the Chinese martial arts as you learn alongside local students.

Yangshuo by Bike

Pedal along the Li River amid breathtaking

limestone rock mountains, traditional villages and Moon Hill.

Face to Face with Students in Yangshuo

Compare typical Chinese and American school days with students at a Yangshuo school.

Shanghai Acrobatic Show

Marvel at the Chinese acrobats' performance: juggling, Chinese yo-yo, contortionism, plate spinning, pole climbs, and more.

Tea with a Local Family

Family, food and fun: Sip tea and share insights on daily customs in a local Chinese home.

Notes from ACIS

Participants registered on our 2014 tours will be exempt from any airline-imposed changes to Departure Fees.

Adult travelers age 24 and older should add in the Adult Surcharge and Double or Single Room Supplement to calculate their Total Group Fees.

All registered participants can enjoy the convenience, security and savings of having payments automatically withdrawn from a checking account by enrolling in an Automatic Payments plan within My Account (www.acis.com/accounts). To learn more, visit www.acis.com/studentsparents/autopay

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