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Belmont High School

Memo

To: Superintendent John Phelan
From: Colleen Foley and Daniel Richards
CC: Janice Darias
Date: 4/30/2018
Re: Trip to Italy for Latin students- April 2019



Please see attached proposal for a trip to Italy for Latin students.

Proposal for Latin Trip- April 2019

- Destination:** Italy, Rome and Sorrento
- Dates:** April 10-20, 2019
April vacation is April 13-21
- Educational Rationale:** This is a unique opportunity for students studying Latin to visit *in situ* Roman buildings, ruins and art. Students will visit the ancient town of Cumae where Book VI of Vergil's *Aeneid* takes place. (Students are required to read Book VI as part of the A.P. curriculum.) In addition, students will view and discuss the Renaissance period, making the connection to their studies of European history and literature. As part of the educational requirement for the trip, participants are required to act as "guides" and prepare (before leaving) two different oral presentations: one on the ruins of a building in the Forum and another on a classical work of art.
- Number of participants:** 40 (Students must have completed or be enrolled in A.P. Latin or Latin IV honors)
- Trip Leader:** Trip leader: Brian Dunn
Additional chaperones: 3
- Itinerary:** The group will fly to Rome where they will stay for 5 nights. Then the group will travel by motor coach to Sorrento where they will stay for 4 nights. The group will return to Rome for departure home. (Daily itinerary is attached).
- Projected Costs:** The trip is being organized by World Cultural Tours in Uxbridge, MA. The price includes flights, land transportation, food, lodging, entrance fees, and the cost of the chaperones. Estimated cost: \$3,649 which includes up to \$650 in air taxes and surcharges.

*Join Belmont High School Latin Department on a Tour to
Italy
April 10 - 20, 2019
11 Days / 9 Nights*

Day 1: April 10th, 2019

Depart the USA

We depart Belmont High School and transfer to Boston Logan International airport for our overnight flight to Italy.

Day 2: April 11th, 2019

Arrive Rome

We arrive at the Rome Fiumicino airport this morning. After passing through customs, we meet our Tour Manager. We then transfer to our hotel for check-in, enjoying a panoramic orientation tour en route. After checking-in, we visit the Capitoline Museums, Ara Coeli Church, and the Trevi Fountain. Dinner is on our own this evening.

(B) Hotel President or similar

Day 3: April 12th, 2019

Rome

After breakfast this morning, we embark on a half-day guided tour of the city, where we see the Colosseum, Palatine Hill, and the Roman Forum. We have time for independent exploration in the city. This evening, we have dinner on our own and time to visit the Spanish Steps.

(B) Hotel President or similar

Day 4: April 13th, 2019

Rome – Tivoli – Rome

Following breakfast, we depart our hotel for a guided excursion to Tivoli. Upon arrival, we visit Hadrian's Villa, a retreat built for the Roman Emperor Hadrian in the early 2nd century. We have time for a picnic lunch on our own in Tivoli before visiting the Villa d'Este. We then return to Rome and visit the Piazza Navona. Dinner is under our own arrangements this evening.

(B) Hotel President or similar

Day 5: April 14th, 2019

Rome

This morning after breakfast, we transfer to the Borghese Gallery to view its collection of paintings, sculptures and antiquities. We then have time for a picnic lunch on our own before continuing to the Pantheon to explore the incredible monument. Dinner is under our own arrangements this evening, followed by a visit to the Piazza del Popolo.

(B) Hotel President or similar

Day 6: April 15th, 2019

Rome – Vatican City – Rome

Following breakfast this morning, we visit the Catacombs of St. Calixtus and walk along the Appian Way and aqueducts. We then have time for a picnic lunch on our own followed by a transfer to Vatican City for a guided visit to St. Peter's Basilica, where we climb the cupola. We have the remainder of the day at leisure, to pack for our transfer to Sorrento and for dinner on our own.

(B) Hotel President or similar

Day 7: April 16th, 2019

Rome – Cumae – Sorrento

Following breakfast this morning, we board our motor coach and transfer to Sorrento, enjoying panoramic views of the countryside and a stop in Cumae en route. After visiting Cumae, we continue to our hotel and have some time at leisure. Dinner is on our own this evening.

(B) Hotel Bristol or similar

Day 8: April 17th, 2019

Sorrento – Mt. Vesuvius – Pompeii – Sorrento

Following breakfast, we depart for a guided trip to Mt. Vesuvius. Upon arrival at Mt. Vesuvius, we have time for a guided tour and independent exploration. We then continue to Pompeii where we embark on a guided tour of this ancient Roman resort, buried in 79 AD beneath ashes spewed by the still active volcano of Mt. Vesuvius. After the tour, we return to Sorrento and dinner is under our own arrangements this evening.

(B) Hotel Bristol or similar

Day 9: April 18th, 2019

Sorrento – Positano – Sorrento

This morning after breakfast, we embark on an excursion to the Amalfi Coast. We stop in Positano, one of the most beautiful stretches of coastline in the Province of Salerno and located at the center of the gulf formed by Point Germano and Cape Sottile. Here, we have time at leisure to shop or relax at one of the town's many seaside cafes prior to returning to Sorrento. Tonight, dinner is under our own arrangements.

(B) Hotel Bristol or similar

Day 10: April 19th, 2019**Sorrento – Capri – Sorrento**

Following breakfast this morning, we transfer to Sorrento pier where we board a ferry for a full day visit to the legendary exotic Isle of Capri. Upon arrival at Marina Grande (Port of Capri), we enjoy the day at leisure. We may choose to embark on an independent excursion to the fabled Blue Grotto by motorboat or we may choose to experience a scenic funicular ride while ascending to the village of Capri, which is built around the world-famous Piazzetta. Later this afternoon, we take the ferry back to Sorrento and dinner is on our own this evening.

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Day 11: April 20th, 2019**Depart Sorrento – Rome – Arrive USA**

After breakfast, we check-out of our hotel and depart for the Rome Fiumicino Airport for our return flight to the USA.

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Tour Inclusions:

Round Trip Airfare with Air Taxes up to \$650
 Professional Tour Manager Throughout Tour
 Motor Coach Transportation Throughout Itinerary
 9 Nights Hotel Accommodations
 Breakfast Daily

Sightseeing & Entrance Fees –

- Panoramic Orientation Tour, Day 2
- Guided Tour of Rome, Day 2
 - Capitoline Museum
 - Ara Coeli Church, & Trevi Fountain
- Guided Tour of Rome, Day 3
 - Coliseum
 - Palantine Hill, Roman Forum, & the Spanish Steps
- Excursion to Tivoli, Day 4
 - Hadrian's Villa
 - Villa D'Este
- Visit to the Piazza Navona, Day 4
- Guided Tour of Rome, Day 5
 - Borghese Gallery
 - The Pantheon
 - Piazza del Popolo
- Visit to the Catacombs of St. Calixtus, Day 6
- Visit to the Appian Way, Day 6
 - Appian Way walking route & aqueducts
- Excursion to Cumae, Day 7
- Guided Tour of Mt. Vesuvius, Day 8
- Guided Tour of Pompeii, Day 8
- Excursion to the Amalfi Coast, Day 9
 - Stop in Positano
- Excursion to Capri, Day 10
 - Ferry to Capri

\$50 Per Paying Passenger Student Emergency Fund
 Services Fees & Taxes

Pricing Tier:**Based on 40 Paying Passengers -**

\$3,649 P/P Double Occupancy (Inclusive of \$650 in Air Taxes & Fuel Surcharges)

\$4,349 P/P Single Occupancy (Inclusive of \$650 in Air Taxes & Fuel Surcharges)

Comp Policy:

1 Complimentary Tour is provided for every 7 Paying Passengers achieved

Air Taxes & Fuel Surcharges will be included for complimentary tours for actual traveling passengers