WorldStrides
Educational Travel & Experiences

Student Code of Conduct

The WorldStrides experience you have elected to attend offers many unique opportunities and experiences. WorldStrides believes that learning best takes place in a safe environment. Beyond the educational benefits, the program offers opportunities to form new friendships and to meet the challenges of independence. All students are expected to demonstrate high standards of conduct, exhibit responsible judgement, and treat others with dignity and respect. As a student participant, it is your responsibility to be engaged and help make the program a positive and enjoyable experience for all.

Additionally, while participating on the program, the student is responsible for adhering to the following rules of behavior:

1. Students are expected to follow all directions given by and all rules and regulations established by the Program Leader and Chaperones.
2. Students are expected to follow all COVID-19 specific rules established by WorldStrides and the Program Leader and Chaperones, and any rules established by attractions, sites, and service providers (e.g., airlines, motorcoaches, hotels, restaurants, etc.).
3. Students are expected to remain with the group at all times, unless the Program Leader specifically allows free time in small groups. The student may never leave the hotel unless accompanied by a Program Leader or Chaperone.
4. Physical, verbal, or virtual violence, bullying, cyberbullying, inappropriate language, or inappropriate interactions with others will not be tolerated. Harassment based on real or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, or other protected characteristic is prohibited.
5. Students should refrain from taking photographs, creating video or audio recordings of other students, staff members, or other individuals without their consent.
6. Students are expected to refrain from smoking, vaping of any kind, illegal drug use, vandalism, theft, gambling or any other type of behavior that is judged by the Program Leader and/or Chaperones to be detrimental to the health, well-being, safety, or reputation of oneself or others.
7. Students are not permitted to consume alcohol unless they are of legal age and have approval from their parent/guardian and Program Leader.
8. Students are expected to comply with all rules and regulations established by governmental agencies and service providers including but not limited to airlines, hotels, motorcoach companies, national parks, and national security.
9. Students should leave all services (hotels, restaurants, motorcoaches) utilized and sites visited during the programming in the same condition in which they were found. Any property damage, theft, vandalism, unauthorized use, and copywrite violations are the sole responsibility of the student and parent/guardian. If an incident occurs, the student and parent/guardian will be required to work directly with the provider to remedy the situation.

10. Any behavior resulting in engagement with local authorities will be the responsibility and expense of the student and their parent/guardian.
11. The student is solely responsible for keeping safe possession of all their belongings throughout the program. WorldStrides is not responsible for the replacement of any lost, stolen or damaged items while in transit or on the program.
12. The student is responsible for keeping safe possession of their travel documentation and government issued identification (passport, visa, green card).
13. Students are expected to observe quiet hours at the hotel each evening (typically from 10pm until 6am).
14. Students must sleep in their assigned hotel room each night.
15. Good common sense, respect and consideration for others and their property should be practiced daily.

If the student violates any of these rules, they may be dismissed from the program at the sole discretion of the Program Leader and Chaperones. **In the case of dismissal, the parent/guardian will be contacted, and the student sent home at the expense of the parent/guardian without a refund**.

Student Agreement

I have read, understand, and agree to comply with the rules of behavior as outlined in this Code of Conduct.

Student Participant Name (Print) _____

Student Participant Signature _____

Date _____

Parent/Guardian Agreement

I have read, understand, and support the rules of behavior and represent that my student has read and agrees to comply with the rules of behavior set forth in this Code of Conduct. I understand and accept that I am responsible for any costs incurred for damages caused by my student's behavior. Should my child be sent home as a result of breaching these rules of conduct, I understand and accept that I am responsible for any costs associated with early departure from the program. It is understood that the signature of one parent/guardian on this Code of Conduct implies the consent of the other.

Parent/Guardian Name (Print) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____