

# South Gibson School Corporation

## Education Field Trip Request

Please send this form to Central Office  
15 school days before the requested field trip in  
order to allow time for processing

Requesting Teacher: <u>Grigsby</u>	Activity or Program: <u>London &amp; Paris Experience</u>	
Position: <u>Teacher</u>	Curriculum Area of Focus:	
Building: <u>GSHS</u>	Expected Number of Students Attending: <u>35</u>	
Today's date: <u>9-16-22</u>	Student Cost: <u>~\$4,129.<sup>00</sup></u>	Grade: <u>9, 10, 11</u>
Date(s) of Requested Field Trip: <u>6-17-24 to 6-26-24</u>	Departure Time: <u>Unknown</u>	Return Time: <u>Unknown</u>

### NATURE OF FIELD TRIP:

Purpose: To experience the culture and history of London, England and Paris France

Supervising Teachers and Chaperones Grigsby and others

Connection to Indiana State Standards: None known @ this time

Connection to Classroom Goals and Objectives: None

Field Trip Goals and Objectives: (Please Attach an Itinerary) To give students the opportunity to experience the world abroad, visiting places they've seen and exp read about in books. A sample itinerary is attached but will be modified.

### ESTIMATED EXPENSES

Tickets/Registration \$ <u>4,129.<sup>00</sup></u>	Substitute \$ <u>0</u> (\$65/day for ____ noncert) (\$75/day for ____ cert.)
Transportation \$ <u>Own to airport &amp; back</u>	Other \$ _____ Please Explain _____
Meals \$ <u>Varies</u>	
Total \$ <u>~\$4,500.<sup>00</sup></u>	Funding Source: <u>Parents</u>

### TRANSPORTATION REPORT:

Assigned Driver(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Total Transportation Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval

Supervisor _____	Date _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied	Superintendent _____	Date _____
Comments _____				

# GIBSON SOUTHERN HIGH SCHOOL

## Field Trip Request

*This form should be approved by the Principal and in the hands of faculty at least three (3) days in advance*

Teacher Grigsby Course Ø

Location/Destination London, England & Paris, France

Number of Students 35 max Class(es) 9 ☒ 10 ☒ 11 ☒ 12 ☐ All ☐

Educational Objective \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) ~June 17, 2024 to ~June 26, 2024 Periods \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Approval Required \_\_\_\_\_

Principal

Transportation Confirmed None needed

Athletic Director

Substitute Needed: Yes ☐ No ☒

**Do not mark the following students absent on the day of the day of the trip. The office should be informed before departure of any student absent and not making the trip.**

**Students are responsible for making up any work.**

List of Students (Alphabetically by Grade)

Will be made once students enroll.

Date Distributed \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Staff Member \_\_\_\_\_

September 15, 2022

Dr. Perry, Mr. Adams, and To All Vested Parties:

Prior to COVID-19, I was working with EF Tours on a trip to London and Paris for our students. When the world “shut down,” plans were put on the back burner. Since coming back from Labor Day, I have been working with EF Tours and Brady Rhodes, the EF Indiana Regional Manager, to start this process again.

There are numerous questions that you have, and between Brady and myself, we can answer them all. If not, we will find the answers.

I do not know the last time Gibson Southern had a student trip to Great Britain and Europe. When I was a student here, I know both Kim Schuster and Charles Mills organized these opportunities for international travel. I would like to bring that back to our students.

I attached a sample itinerary to the field trip request. This will change to reflect the experiences the students want. It will be customized to a degree. However, the time frame for locations and travel days will stay the same.

This trip would be open to all current GSHS freshmen, sophomores, and juniors, with a cap of 35 students to travel. This number will give us a private trip where we will be one-on-one with our own travel guide.

If granted permission to embark on this adventure, registration will open up to students after we have a parent call-out meeting. Ideally, we would like to make the September 20 school board meeting so we can begin this process if approved.

There will be no organized fundraising on behalf of Gibson Southern for this trip. Families / students would make monthly payments on their trip. The sooner we start the payment process, the cheaper the monthly payments will be. This will be done all online.

I have taken students to both New York City and Orlando. I have not taken students abroad but traveled both London and Paris, having lived in London in 1999. If given permission to host this trip, I would go to London in the summer of 2023 to work with EF tours on how to run this trip and what to do when arriving with students – lots of relevant professional development and training.

My goal with this inaugural trip is to offer this (or something similar to it) every two years. While the price tag is a lot, it is much discounted than if traveling alone.

Respectfully,  
Jared Grigsby



**Gibson Southern School Board Proposal  
Seeking Approval for Student International Travel Opportunity: Summer 2024**

Goals of the Experience

- Provide high school students an opportunity to see and experience *multiple* European nations and cities
- Allow students to have a valuable cross-cultural experience that will enrich and impact their worldview, enable them to see new places, and experience content taught in their classes in new and engaging ways
- Enable students to learn more about themselves, the world, and their place in the world
- Reinforce classroom learning in content areas such as art and history and give students the opportunity to broaden their worldview through seeing classroom instructional items in real life
- Give foreign language students the valuable opportunity to practice their language skills in France

Trip Information

- Ten-day European trip featuring tours of historic and breathtaking European locations throughout London and Paris
- Organized through the largest and most established international student travel company in the world, EF Educational Tours
- Cost of the trip will be \$4,129 (\$200 monthly payment)
- Trip will be planned for summer break of 2024
- The ratio of chaperones to students is 1 to 6
- Students will be accompanied by Gibson Southern High School staff and EF Tours provides the services of a full-time tour director as well as licensed local guides throughout the entirety of the tour

It is our desire to provide an impacting, inspiring, and educational experience for Gibson Southern students that will shape and impact their worldview in a lasting way that can only be accomplished through the unique experience of international travel. This tour provides the opportunity for students to experience many different places and ideas that are mentioned throughout their course work in many different subject areas. It is one thing to experience these ideas in a classroom, but it is an entirely different experience to see, touch, and taste those experiences firsthand. Those studies truly come alive and impact students' lives when they follow in the footsteps of history in England and France, tour the royal palace of Versailles, see the iconic Eiffel Tower, and catch a glimpse of Big Ben in London, England. For many students this trip will be a once in a lifetime opportunity and it's our honor to work to provide this opportunity for them and the families of the Gibson Southern community.

Mr. Brady Rhodes  
Regional Manager: Indiana  
EF Tours

Mr. Jared Grigsby  
English Teacher  
Gibson Southern High School





EDUCATION  
TOURS



Watch videos, read  
reviews, and enroll on your  
**teacher's Tour Website**

[eftours.com/](http://eftours.com/)

This is also your tour number

# EXPERIENCE LONDON & PARIS

10 days | England | France

Enrich the travel experience with a real hands-on approach to learning. In England, get an introduction to cricket, attend an English theater workshop, and engage in British tradition with an afternoon cream tea. In France, the culture highly values art, fashion, and cuisine. Gain an appreciation for it all in an art class, on the Champs-Élysées, and over a *steak frites* dinner.

## YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



**Full-time Tour Director**



**Sightseeing:** 2 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides; 2 walking tours



**Entrances:** Tower of London; English cream tea; Theater performance; Louvre; Eiffel Tower; Seine River cruise



**Experiential learning:** Cricket lesson; theater workshop; art class; *pétanque*



**Personalized learning guide:** Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.



**All of the details are covered:** Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach;



Eurostar high-speed train; 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; European breakfast and dinner daily





Anyone can see the world.

# YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning guide, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

*@EFtours I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school #traveltuesday*

— MELISSA, TRAVELER



**CHECK OUT WHAT A TOUR IS ALL ABOUT**

Watch the videos at  
[eftours.com/](http://eftours.com/)

Your teacher's Tour Website

## What you'll experience on your tour

### Day 1: Fly overnight to England

#### Day 2: London

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in London, a city of eight million people that has become one of the world's great melting pots while maintaining a distinct character that's all its own. From the London Bridge to the Houses of Parliament, Great Britain's royal tradition and rich history greet you at every turn. Admire architectural marvels like the Baroque domes and spires of St. Paul's Cathedral, the 17th-century church designed by Sir Christopher Wren. Check out the lively five-way intersection at Piccadilly Circus as well as Hyde Park's urban greenery. You may even get a chance to witness the ceremonial Changing of the Guard. And don't forget to snap a picture of Big Ben from the banks of the River Thames.
- Take a walking tour of London: The Strand; Trafalgar Square; Leicester Square; Covent Garden.

#### Day 3: London

- Take an expertly guided tour of London: Big Ben and Houses of Parliament; Piccadilly Circus; St. Paul's Cathedral; Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace (if scheduled).
- Time to see more of London or [visit Windsor Castle](#).
- Enjoy an authentic fish and chips dinner.

#### Day 4: London

- Visit the Tower of London. Enter through thick defensive walls and take a look behind the Tower of London's imposing stony façade. Henry VIII banished two of his wives to this former prison, where Guy Fawkes also spent his final days. But the Tower's most famous occupants—the Crown Jewels—still reside here today. On your tour, behold this jaw-dropping collection of ornate rings, scepters, swords and royal vestments.
- Visit Lord's Cricket Club.
- Take a cricket lesson.
- Attend an evening theater performance.

#### Day 5: London

- Participate in a theater workshop.
- Enjoy an afternoon English cream tea.

#### Day 6: London | Paris

- Travel by Eurostar train to Paris, the City of Light. Get a taste of Parisian style as you ride down the Champs-Élysées, an elegant boulevard packed with high-fashion boutiques. Pass the Place de la Concorde and the Arc de Triomphe and strike a pose in front of the Eiffel Tower.
- Visit the Louvre and explore art from around the world as you wander from wing to wing of one of Paris's biggest attractions and the most visited museum in the world. These massive halls are home to over 35,000 objects; among them is Leonardo da Vinci's masterpiece, the *Mona Lisa*. Be sure to get an up-close look at her beguiling smile.
- Take a walking tour of Paris: Latin Quarter.
- Catch a glimpse of Notre-Dame Cathedral.

#### Day 7: Paris

- Take an expertly guided tour of Paris: Place de la Concorde; Champs-Élysées; Arc de Triomphe; Les Invalides; Eiffel Tower.
- Time to see more of Paris or [visit Versailles](#).
- Enjoy an authentic *tarte flambée* dinner.

#### Day 8: Paris

- Participate in an art class.
- Visit the Eiffel Tower.

#### Day 9: Paris

- Explore the Marché des Enfants Rouges, a 16th-century orphanage turned expansive food market. Enjoy the diverse stalls and multicultural atmosphere at your own pace.
- Play a game of *pétanque*.
- Enjoy an authentic *steak frites* dinner.
- Take a Seine River cruise.

#### Day 10: Depart for home



*and finally, the London Tower Bridge. <3 #eftours2013 #eftours*

– ASHLIE, TRAVELER



Via Instagram



*I've been waiting for this moment all my life #breathtaking #eftours*

– MELISSA, TRAVELER



Via Instagram

## TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY, OR EXPLORE

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