

## Student Travel Policies

The policies in our student body handbook apply during school trips, but here are a few friendly reminders:

1. Please be where you are supposed to be when you are supposed to be there.
  - a. You must always be in a group of students (minimum of 3).
  - b. You should not go off alone at any time. During any assigned free time, you may not ride any public transit and you will stay within the parameters set by your trip leaders.
  - c. It is expected that the students remain in their assigned travel groups at all necessary times.
  - d. There is no leaving your hosting location without prior permission, and no one will leave once we reach our curfew time. You must stay in your room or sleeping area once room checks have occurred. If there is any need to leave your room after curfew, your trip chaperone needs to be informed prior to leaving.
  - e. This policy includes making changes to bus or room assignments – if you need a change to be made, please speak to an adult chaperone who can help you navigate the situation.
2. Maintain a positive presence in the community.
  - a. Refrain from “coupling off” with someone of the opposite gender or publically displaying affection. The purpose of these trips is not to pursue romantic relationships. This policy applies to the students from Wheaton Academy as well as the people you meet while traveling.
  - b. Avoid going into cabins or rooms of members of the opposite gender at all times. You should never be where someone of the opposite gender is staying. Failure to abide by this expectation will result in being sent home.
  - c. Be kind toward all other trip participants – resolve conflicts kindly and appropriately. Bullying of any kind is not acceptable. Our Human Dignity Policy on campus still applies off-campus. Treat others with love and respect. We are in community to care for each other and help each other strive for excellence.
  - d. Always respect and listen to the speakers, guides, and chaperones, using proper eye contact and body language that show you are engaged, respectful, and attentive.
  - e. Our nut-free allergy policy applies both in the meals we eat and the snacks you choose to bring.
  - f. You need to be respectful of the environment you are visiting. Also, abide by the expectations of the places you are visiting.
3. Adhere to Wheaton Academy’s expectations for behavior.
  - a. No weapons or fireworks of any kind should be brought on a trip.
  - b. Students should not bring, use, or purchase drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or vaporizers on trips.
    - i. Students should not share medication or distribute prescription drugs.
  - c. Although our in-school dress code adjusts slightly for trips, please make sure your dress is appropriate.
  - d. Please respect the property of each location and the belongings of other students.
  - e. Students must attend all meal times.
  - f. Trip leaders have the right to send home students that fail to modify their behavior after repeated corrections or conversations.
4. We want you to have a great time; so if there is a problem, please let an adult know right away.
  - a. If you are not feeling well, either physically or emotionally, let an adult know so we can help you. Please contact a chaperone before you contact a family member at home, so we can help you right away and also get in touch with your parents.
  - b. We will try to accommodate your comfort and need for medical assistance as best as the itinerary allows.

Please note: We do not anticipate any disciplinary issues; however, if a student has to be sent home for disciplinary issues, he/she will be put on the first flight home. The parent(s) will be responsible for any cost of the flight, as well as any additional costs that may be incurred from time lost with the chaperone gone.

***I understand that while I am traveling I represent my home, school, and Jesus Christ. My conduct, words, and attitude will always reflect that. I read and understand the expectations required on Winterim trips. I understand that failure to complete these tasks or abide by these policies will result in immediate removal from the trip. I will need to then complete my Winterim credit during summer school.***

PRINTED NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_