



EDUCATIONAL  
TOURS

# The Alps & The Mediterranean Coast

11 days  
June 27 - July 7 2024

# Our Roadmap



The impact of educational travel



Travel and safety



Your itinerary



Cost & payment options



How to enroll





# Our Past Travelers say:


*“You don’t realize how important it is until you return home and it’s all you can think about.”*

*“In that short time, it was enough to completely change my perspective and what I want to do with my life. Since the trip, I’ve decided I want to find a career related to travel.”*

A photograph of four young women standing together in front of a large, classical stone monument. The women are dressed in casual attire, including jackets, a crop top, and leggings. The background shows the intricate details of the stone structure, which appears to be a historical site. The overall tone of the image is nostalgic and celebratory.

*“It was a great trip. Enjoy it while it lasts, because when you look back on it you won’t believe you were there and you’ll miss it.”*

*“The amazing time I had on the Ancient Empires trip has inspired me to plan another trip back to Europe”*

A group of young men are on a boat, wearing white t-shirts and blue lanyards. They are all wearing sunglasses and hats. The background shows the ocean and some rocks. The text is overlaid on the image.

*“I will forever have amazing memories from our trip – it was such an amazing time. I’m so glad I went!”*

*“Make sure you wear sunscreen. All the time.”*



# Travel and Safety

# Our global presence

**52,000**

EF employees & educators worldwide

**55**

Years EF has been in business

Largest safety & security team in the industry with 24/7, 365 coverage.

**612**

Offices and schools.  
Headquarters: Lucerne, Switzerland

**114**

Countries and regions.  
North and South America, Europe and Asia

Official sponsor of the Olympic Games and Nobel Museum



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Shared passion for helping people become citizens of the world

# Safety is by far the #1 priority

- EF has the largest safety & security team in the industry with 24/7, 365 coverage
- Only company in the industry with dedicated staff for safety and security
- Local offices in virtually every travel destination offered globally
- EF staff personally visit every hotel, restaurant, attraction and bus company utilized



EF has earned the World Travel & Tourism Council's Safe Travels stamp—the world's first ever global safety and hygiene stamp for Travel & Tourism, designed specifically to address COVID-19 and similar outbreaks.



# The Dream Travel Team



Canadian-led  
& operated



Offices in Toronto,  
Vancouver &  
Montreal



Largest  
educational travel  
company in  
Canada



Dedicated &  
specialized  
Canadian staff

Shannon from EF's  
Traveller Support Team  
@ the Toronto Office

EF is highly respected in the industry by the following organizations:



CONSUMER  
PROTECTION BC

Office  
de la protection  
du consommateur  
Québec



Ready to take flight?



Let's go to...

# Europe



*Switzerland, Italy, France, Spain – 11 Days*

# Travel dates

**June 27 to  
July 7, 2024  
(estimated  
dates of  
travel)**

**11 days  
on tour**

**Departing from: Edmonton**

**Note:** we'll confirm exact departure and return dates closer to tour. EF strives to keep the new departure dates within one to two days of the original date on tours departing October through April and within four days of the original date on tours departing May through September.



# The Alps & the Mediterranean Coast



# Lucerne & Cinque Terre

Days 1-5

Day 1



Fly overnight to  
Switzerland

Day 2



Travel to Lucerne

Day 3



Take a walking tour  
of Lucerne



Walk on the  
famous  
Kapellbrücke

See Lake Como on  
the way to Cinque  
Terre



Day 4

See Cinque Terre  
by train



Day 5

Explore the local  
sites & cuisine!



# French Riviera, Provence & Barcelona

Days 6-11

Day 6



Spend the day in Monaco

Day 7



Explore the city of Nice with your group

Day 8



Visit the Nîmes Amphitheater

Take a walking tour of Las Ramblas



Day 9

See Barcelona with an expert local guide



Day 10

Visit Park Güell



Travel home



Day 11



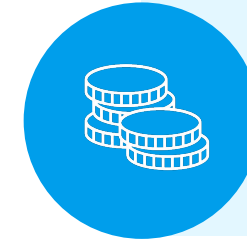
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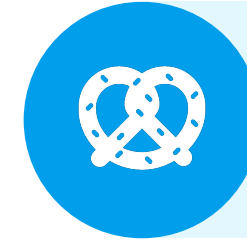
Spending money  
\$35-\$65 per day



Free time excursions



Customary gratuities  
Mandatory fee paid to ESBCHS



Lunches and  
snacks



Passports &  
Visas



You will need government issued ID's for all travellers including a passport and possible visas for international destinations

Passports must be valid for 6 months past the date of travel

The name of the traveller on the account needs to match ID

# Passport reminder!

# Coverage and policy flexibility



## EF's Peace of Mind (Provided to all groups)

We know that plans can change due to unforeseen circumstances—that's why we provide the Peace of Mind Program automatically to all of our groups, so you can feel secure planning your next trip.

The cancellation policies outlined below take into consideration the costs EF incurs often years before groups ever depart. Notice of cancellation from an EF tour will only be accepted from the traveller, their legal guardian, or Group Leader. The date of cancellation is determined by the date on which EF receives notice. Cancellation refunds can only be made to the person whose name appears on the account; monies cannot be transferred to another account.

### EF's Standard Cancellation Policy\*

**110 days or more prior to departure:** Full refund less all non-refundable fees and a \$399 cancellation fee.














**109 days to 45 days prior to departure:** Full refund less all non-refundable fees and 50% of the program price.

**44 days or less prior to departure:** No refund will be issued.

# Travel Insurance is Provided by Blackgold Schools

<b>MAXIMUM SUM INSURED</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$1,000,000 per insured person</li></ul>
<b>COVERAGE TYPE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Multi-trip; up to 30 days per trip</li></ul>
<b>ELIGIBLE MEDICAL EXPENSES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Emergency treatment for sickness or injury, whether in-patient or out-patient</li><li>• Services of physician, surgeon, anesthetist, registered graduate nurse, nursing aid</li><li>• X-rays, laboratory and diagnostic services</li><li>• Crutches, casts, splints, canes, slings, trusses, braces, walkers; rental of a wheelchair, iron lung, or hospital type bed</li></ul>
<b>EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Licensed ground ambulance</li><li>• Air ambulance</li><li>• Medical repatriation up to \$10,000</li></ul>
<b>PRESCRIPTION DRUGS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prescription medications required for emergency medical treatment</li></ul>
<b>PARAMEDICAL SERVICES AND PRIVATE DUTY NURSING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Services of physiotherapist, chiropractor, chiropodist, podiatrist, or osteopath</li><li>• Services of a registered private duty nurse</li></ul>
<b>TRANSPORTATION TO BEDSIDE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Up to \$5,000 for round trip economy airfare for one chaperone, medical attendant, or family member, and up to \$3,000 for costs incurred after arrival</li></ul>
<b>SPECIFIC LOSS INDEMNITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Accidental Death &amp; Dismemberment: Up to \$25,000 per covered loss, to an aggregate limit of \$50,000</li><li>• Paralysis: Up to \$50,000 per accident</li><li>• Prosthetic appliances due to accident: \$2,000</li></ul>
<b>TRIP CANCELLATION / INTERRUPTION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Trip cancellation up to \$5,000</li><li>• Trip interruption up to \$25,000</li><li>• Incidental expenses due to trip cancellation/interruption up to \$350 per day to \$1,500 maximum</li><li>• Up to \$2,500 for one-way economy airfare for an insured person to rejoin the trip</li></ul>
<b>LOST OR DAMAGED BAGGAGE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$375 per item, to a maximum of \$1,500</li><li>• Up to \$100 for stolen personal currency</li><li>• Up to \$200 for necessary toiletries if checked baggage is delayed over 12 hours</li><li>• Up to \$100 for repairs or rental replacement of a damaged wheelchair</li></ul>
<b>ELIGIBILITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Students and chaperones at participating schools, under the age of 70</li></ul>

# Everything Included:

-  Airfare and on-tour transportation
-  Hotel accommodations
-  Breakfast and dinner daily
-  Guided tours, activities, and entries
-  Full-time professional Tour Director
-  Expert local guides
-  Travel gear
-  24-hour emergency assistance
-  Peace of Mind Program
-  Worldwide presence
-  Safety precautions and procedures
-  Traveller Support resources
-  Tour donation page



Big belly laughs shared with your travel team  
Memories to last a lifetime to bring back home  
Learning opportunities around the world  
New friendship opportunities  
Exploring for hours  
Scenic drives  
Cross cultural experiences  
Leadership opportunities  
Winding roads  
New horizons  
Beautiful sights  
Watching the world go by  
Dreams come true  
The traveller's joy  
Airport excitement  
Sleeping in new places  
Developing a global mindset  
Time to think about your globe  
Months of excitement leading up to the trip  
An amazing team to answer all of your travel questions

# Tour price

## Price Details

### The Alps & The Mediterranean Coast

Program Price <sup>1</sup> \$5,020

Includes:

- Round trip economy class flights and on tour transportation
- Hotels with private bathrooms roomed in triples or quads
- Breakfast and dinner (see your itinerary for meal details)
- Full-time Tour Director
- Daily activities, tours and entrances to attractions

Barcelona flamenco evening \$79

Private Group (35-40 paying) \$35

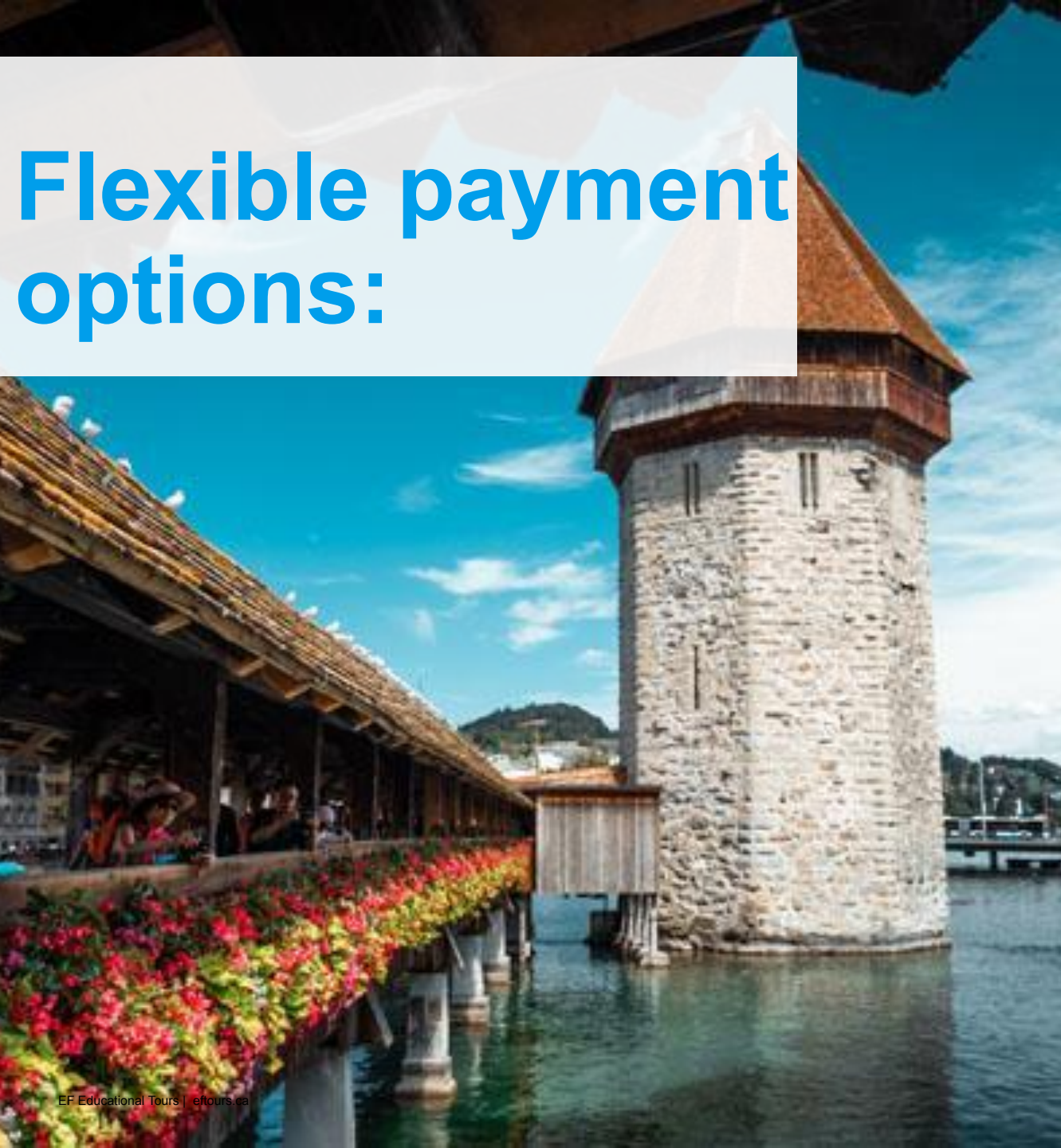
Early Enrollment Discount -\$300

EF's Peace of Mind Program \* Free

**Total for Students (under 20) \$4,834**

9 monthly payments \$515/mo

**Secure your spot by October 15<sup>th</sup> to save \$300**



# Flexible payment options:

## Option 1: Pay in full at enrolment

## Option 2: Automatic Payment Plan

Choose the payment frequency (monthly or bi-weekly) deducted from your bank account. Final payment is due 25 days prior to departure.

## Option 3: Manual Payment Plan

Receive invoices and make your payments in less frequent installments based on the date of enrolment.

## Option 4: Pay with Uplift

Book now, pay over time. Spread the cost of your trip over low monthly payments, even after you've travelled.

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Payment methods accepted: direct debit, chequing or savings account, or credit card (Visa or MasterCard)

*For specific plan details, see our full Booking Conditions at [eftours.ca/bc](https://eftours.ca/bc)*

# Responsible Behavior

As part of the application process, students and parents/guardians will read and sign the ***Europe 2024 Code of Conduct***. As students in our school, our students are expected to follow our **ESBCHS Student Code of Conduct** in accordance with **Section 12 of the *School Act***.

Our school reserves the right to remove students from this trip at any time leading up to the trip for serious violations to these Code of Conduct guidelines. This would include infractions in which the consequence is a suspension from class or school. This may include, but is not limited to, involvement with drugs or alcohol, threats of violence, bullying or harassment of any kind.

*Please be aware that any cancellation is subject to the booking and cancellation guidelines of EF Tours and that ESBCHS will not cover any cost incurred due to removal from the trip.*

# Other Student Responsibilities

- Monthly meetings at lunch
  - Dates to be determined
  - Students should listen for announcements and check the scrolling news. We will also set up a Google Classroom for the trip to communicate with students.
- Travel & Tourism module(s)
  - Mr. Hesterman will be overseeing this assignment. He will provide instructions and materials at one of our first student meetings.
  - Students will receive up to 3 CTS credits for completing these module.



# Final departure meeting in the Spring of 2024 will be mandatory for all parents/guardians and travellers

- Notary will be on site to sign mandatory parental/guardian release letters.
- Packing list and EF backpacks will be distributed.
- Finalized travel details will be shared.
- Mandatory gratuity fee paid to the school will need to be paid prior to this meeting.



**Ecole  
Secondaire  
Beaumont  
Composite  
High  
School**

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**BE BANDIT BOLD**  
*communauté perseverance kindness*

Dear Students and Parents:

École Secondaire Beaumont Composite High School, in partnership with Education First (EF) Tours, is planning an educational trip to Switzerland, Italy, France and Spain. This ten-day trip will take place in July, with tentative dates of June 27 – July 7, 2024. These dates may fluctuate slightly, once we begin our registration process and the company secures flights. We will have one Black Gold Schools' employee (chaperone) for every eight students who register for the trip and will determine additional supervisors as the need arises.

This excursion is being offered to students in Grade 10, 11 and 12 during the 2023/2024 school year. Prior to the trip, these students will be enrolled in an online CTS *Tourism Sector* module and will earn 1 credit for this preparatory course. The intent of this educational component is to prepare students for international travel. This module may be completed online and our supervisors will be available to help students through this process. In addition, students will meet with supervisors on a regular basis through the school year and will also be expected to attend (with parents) evening meetings in preparation for travel. Some of the topics of these meetings will include: safety, traveling in groups, legal issues, currencies, customs and immigration, dealing with emergencies, as well as the importance of respecting the customs and traditions abroad. Dates of both student and parent meetings will be confirmed once the registration process is complete.

The cost of the tour is \$4939.00 and all payments will be made through our EF Tours travel website. This cost includes the following: international airfare, motor coach transport, accommodations, breakfasts and dinners, Travel Insurance, Tour Guides and/or translators, gratuities for bus drivers and guides, and admission to and/or guided tours of: *Palais des Papes, Pont du Gard, Nîmes Amphitheatre, and Flamenco Evening*. \$26 of this fee is for a contingency fund for the trip. Any contingency funds not used on the trip will either be used for students in a follow-up event or will be refunded.

#### Approval

While we appreciate that many students may wish to attend this tour, there is an approval process prior to registration. For initial consideration, students must complete and return the attached **Europe 2024 Code of Conduct for Students** as well as the **Europe 2024 Staff Endorsement** and **Europe 2024 Student Application** (all are attached). In applying for the trip, all applicants and their guardians agree to abide by the conditions and expectations of our EF Tours, group leaders, school division and school community. As there will be a maximum of 36 students accepted for the trip we recommend the package to be handed in to the office as soon as possible. The deadline to apply for the Europe 2024 trip is **October 6, 2023**. If more than 36 approved applications are handed in before the deadline, acceptance will be on a first come first served basis.

Once approved, students will then receive an email with registration information on Friday, **October 13**. As all payment is made through the EF website, it is important to recognize that there is a non-refundable deposit of \$200 at the time of registration. Please read the Booking Conditions carefully.

Once registered, students must also be prepared to produce a **valid Canadian Passport** that is valid until **at least January 31, 2024** (passports must be valid for at least six months beyond the

# Next Steps:

Have your ***Application Package*** completed ***and*** signed then hand it in to the school office by **October 6**

Applications will be dated and time stamped. Approval will be given to applicants in the order we received them.



Check your email on **October 10** to complete your enrollment in the Europe 2024 Trip

# Ready to Enroll?

Visit us online

[eftours.ca/enrol](https://eftours.ca/enrol)

Your enrollment number:

**2601834YM**

Or by phone:

1 – 800 – 263 – 2806



Scan to enrol