North Vancouver School District Québec Trip 2024 June 14th, 2023 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING



Traditional Acknowledgement

This meeting will cover:



- Purpose of the trip
- Who can participate?
- Trip Dates
- Highlights
- Safety and Security
- Mobile Phones
- Travel Insurance

- Estimated Budget
- How to apply
- Questions

Purpose of the Trip





To improve aural and oral French language skills in an authentic French environment.

To deepen students' understanding and appreciation of French Canadian history and culture.

To **build social connections** with other French Immersion students.



Grade 8 NVSD French Immersion students who:

- are motivated to improve their French communication skills;
- are curious and interested in French Canadian culture;
- are willing to take on new challenges and experiences.

Québec Trip Dates



May 26th. - June 1st, 2024

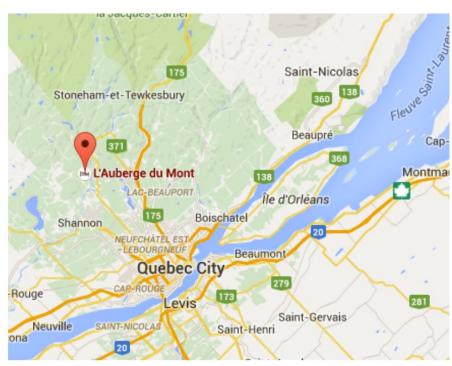
Accommodations



Auberge du Mont

in Saint-Gabriel-de-Valcartier

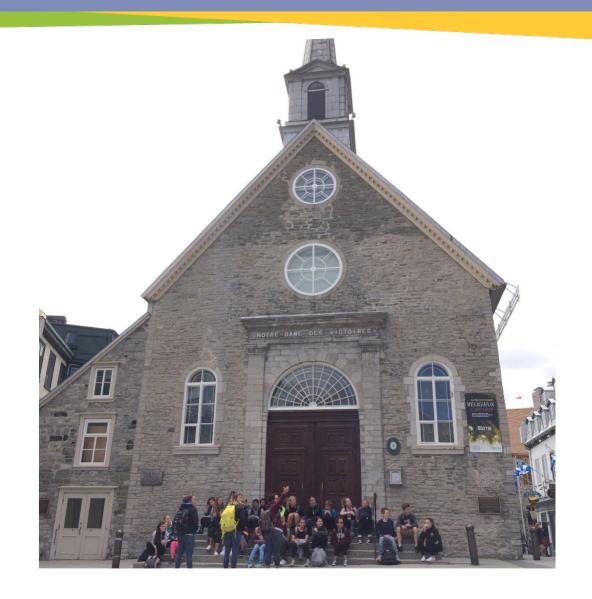




Supervision



- NVSD teacher chaperones
- Auberge group leaders



Safety and Security



- School District and Auberge du Mont employees will supervise
- Students will spend most of the week in large groups (Direct Supervision)
- Students will also be permitted to travel in small groups or partners for brief periods of time (Indirect supervision with frequent check-ins)
- Students are expected to listen, be cooperative and always respectful with all group chaperones
- Behavioural expectations will be discussed in detail with participating students

Historical/Cultural Activities

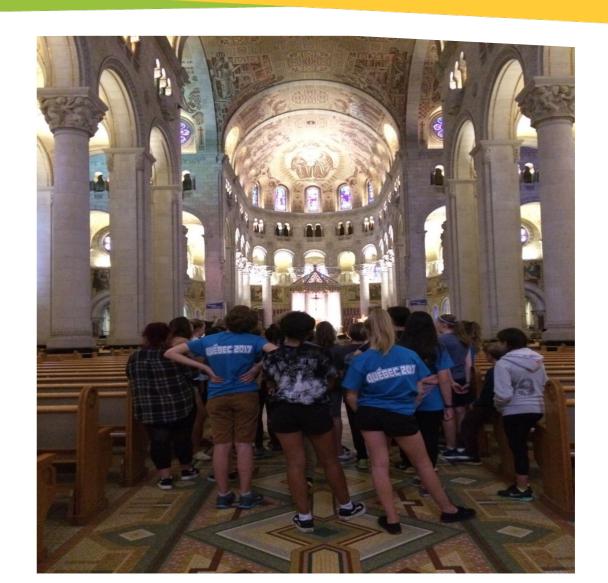




Basilique St-Anne







Château Frontenac





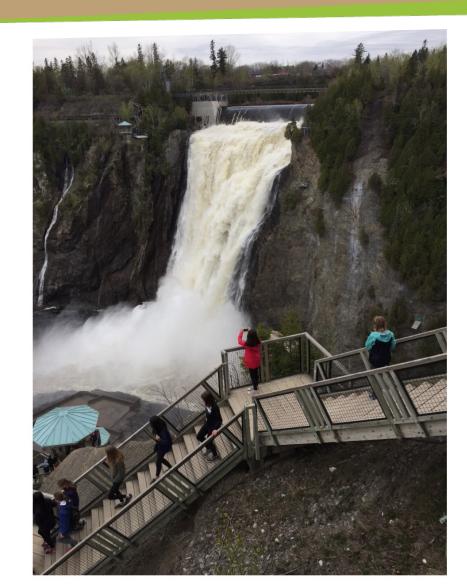
Érablière





Chutes Montmorency







Auberge Dress Code:



At the request of Auberge du Mont students may not wear:

- Hats, tuques (while at the auberge)
- Tank/crop/transparent tops
- Short shorts/skirts
- Ripped clothing or clothing with profanities
- Flip flops



Cell Phones



Students will be required to store their cell with chaperones for parts of each day and overnight.

The purpose is to allow for students to be fully immersed in language learning opportunity and to ensure adequate rest each evening.



Itinerary and Associated Risks





- Group plane and bus travel
- Outdoor activities: hiking,
 snowshoeing, forestry survival
 skills, orienteering, water sports
- Walking trips (groups, partners): Old Quebec, shopping, etc.
- Circus School (acrobatic/gymnastic equipment)

Estimated Costs and Payment Schedule



- Approximately \$3,100/student
- Price includes flights, accommodations, chaperones (trip costs + TOC costs), field trips, entrance to all activities and most meals
- Will try to get the best group price for flight



Group Travel



- District Québec trip based on group travel discounts
- Students will not be permitted to book flights independently using air miles, employee discounts or other arrangements
- Students are expected to participate in all aspects of the itinerary from departure to return flights
- No individual travel arrangements or personal excursions away from the group

What costs are not covered?



Meals en route during travel days (3 to 4 meals anticipated)



Spending money (souvenirs, etc.)



Individual student travel/medical/accidental insurance (recommended)



How to Apply



-Application/Registration form, Informed Consent Approval Medical Form, and \$250 non-refundable accepted June 15th to June 19th, 2023.

- -Will be a lottery
- -Drop off all forms and \$250 non-refundable cheque here at ESC with forms. Attn: Tracy Langer

Important Dates



June 14th, 2023	Information Meeting
June 15-19, 2023	Informed Consent Approval, Student Medical Form, Application/Registration Form, and \$250 non-refundable* deposit due to the Education Services Centre (2 nd floor, reception desk, 2121 Lonsdale Ave). Students that are not selected to attend will have cheques returned.
September 27 th , 2023	\$1500 payment due via School Cash Online
November 15 th , 2023	Balance due (approximately \$1400) via School Cash Online
February 2024	Meeting of students and chaperones 4:00 - 4:45pm
April 2024	Meeting of students and chaperones 4:00 - 4:45pm
May 15th 2024	Mandatory Student and Parent/guardian meeting 6:00 – 7:00pm
May 26th, 2024	Departure for Québec
June 1st, 2024	Return to Vancouver







Manulife

Ellison Youth Plan Insurance Included

- \$5 million emergency medical (including Covid-19 for fully vaccinated travellers, bedside)
- Cancellation
- Interruption and Travel Accident
- Quarantine, fully vaccinated travellers are covered
- Baggage loss, damage, delay
- School board cancels tour due to risk of harm, labour strike
- Parent/legal guardian employment job loss or relocation





All Inclusive Insurance Plan - Upgrade

- Cancel for any reason 100% coverage for unexpected events
- Cancel for any reason 50% coverage for known events

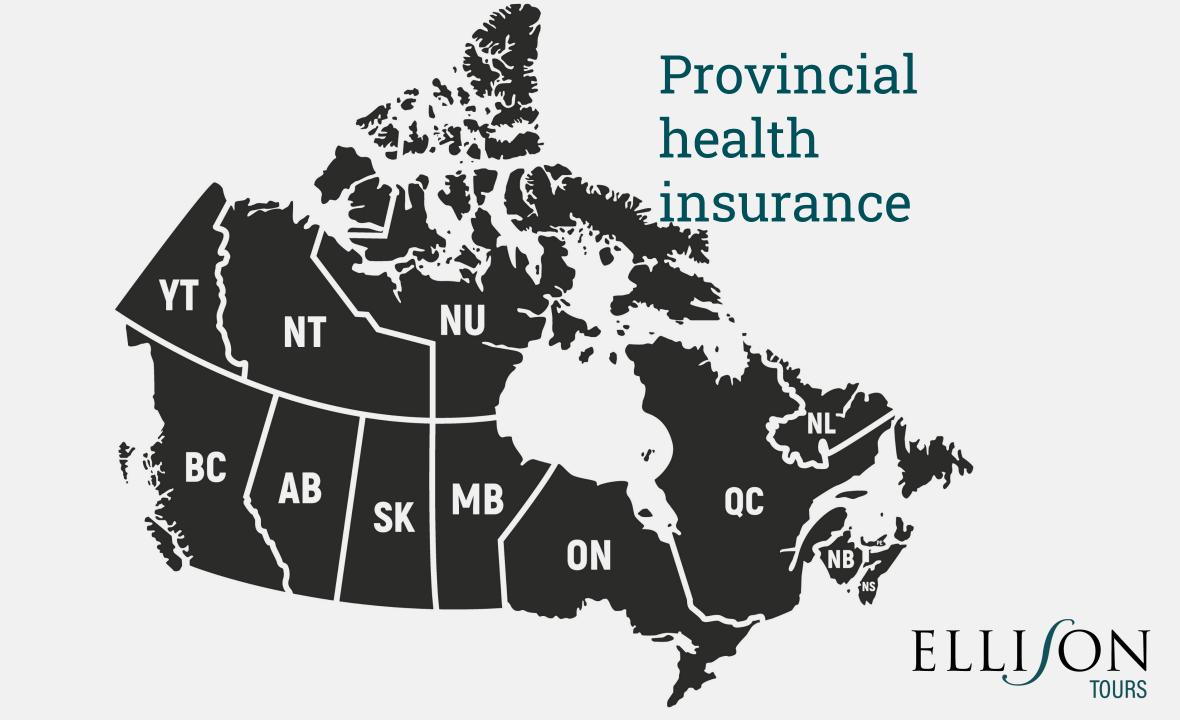


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Premium Protection Plan-Upgrade

- \$10 million emergency medical (including Covid-19 fully vaccinated travellers, bedside)
- Cancel for any reason 100% coverage for unexpected events
- Cancel for any reason 80% coverage for known events





Testimonies from 2023's Quebec Trip nvsd

"My daughter was on the Quebec Exchange last week and I just wanted to reach out to you and everyone involved to thank you for organizing and providing this incredible experience for the students."

"I honestly can not imagine taking all those teens across the country. Your energy and patience is incredible. My daughter had such a wonderful time! She is full of stories, adventures, and great memories."

Questions?



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