

RE: SPRING BREAK SERVICE TRIP 2019

Dear families/students of Whistler Secondary,

Thank you for showing interest in a student trip for Spring Break 2019. The plan for this trip is to include some local service time with some travel. Service with travel allows for a much broader and richer experience than tourist travel alone can, including a closer connection to local people and cultures and deeper learning about how others in the world live through the challenges they face and how they problem-solve in their environment, and because doing good is good to do for all of us.

From the information below, we will need to choose a destination by the middle of December. At last Friday's meeting, students seemed most excited by the trips to Peru and Nicaragua.

**A family information night is planned for Thursday, December 14, at 6pm at the school.**

The itineraries listed vary in level of service. Here is a quick breakdown of what to expect on each tour:

1. Culture and Service in Ecuador (9 days) – operated with WE – this is a service lite tour with 2 days of service project and the rest of the tour is a cultural tour.
2. Supporting a Sustainable Future in Nicaragua (8 days) - operated with WE – this is a service lite tour with 2 days of service project and the rest of the tour is a cultural tour.
3. Exploring Art, Culture, and Service in Peru - this is a service lite tour with 3 days of service project and the rest of the tour is a cultural tour. Operated by EF.
4. Eco-Citizenship in Ecuador's Amazon – full service tour. Operated with Me to We.
5. Culture and Service in the Dominican Republic - - this is a service lite tour with 3 days of service project and the rest of the tour is a cultural tour. Operated by EF. Itinerary is attached as PDF to email.

You can view the first four itineraries by clicking on the following link -<https://eftours.ca/my-quotes/2055427RJ>.

Note that once we select a trip and especially if we register before the end of this year, there will be some incentives for early registration. Trip #5 is a custom trip, and the details are attached in a pdf to this email.

Please feel free to share this information/email, and to contact me if you have any questions, [jhall@sd48.bc.ca](mailto:jhall@sd48.bc.ca) .