General Meeting for New Families 6:00pm - in room 1 in the basement

- 1. **JAMIE** We are a large group but we pride ourselves in "feeling small" as each advisor is in charge of 10-11 kids so that advisor becomes your surrogate parent. Travelers will get themselves into groups of 10 at this meeting
- 2. JANA Outline the trip 17 days go over parent handout
- 3. **JAMIE** Outline payments EF Automated payments preferred way of paying for the trip \$199 deposit -then 5 monthly payments of \$1390 or bi weekly payments of \$695 The all inclusive insurance cost has automatically been added into the web price.
- 4. JAMIE Fund raised money stays with the Travel Club account to cover the tipping expense of \$210, club fees of \$50 and the money conversion of travellers spending money of \$1100. After this has been paid then the travel club writes you back a cheque for over fund raised money. However if you withdraw from the trip all fund raised money stays with the club.
- 5. **JANA** Everyone put our 1 to 1 in your phone, scan the EF doc, like us on facebook, tictoc us @pa_youth_travel_club Tic toc us @pa_travelclub,web page www.paytc, twitter @pa_youth,
- 6. JANA Individual fund raising forms
- 7. JAMIE A 15 day tour, March 26th to April 11th 2026 (you only miss 4 days of school)

Go into www.eftours.ca - Click on ENROL and enter this code where it says "tour number" - 2753747WN

Follow the tabs putting in your pertinent info -make sure your name is spelt **EXACTLY how it appears on your passport** (there is a \$200 fine if we need to change the spelling after the tickets have been issued).

On the pages that ask for either insurance or optional tours just press NEXT (I've already asked EF to input the optional tours we'll be taking)

Everyone get EF's "All Inclusive Insurance"

EF's "Terms and Conditions " page is quite lengthy. When registering scroll to the bottom of the page and click on "agree" -then go back and read it at your leisure when you have lots of time

Once you have finished registering be sure to WRITE DOWN YOUR REGISTRATION NUMBER and your default is your birth date mm/dd/yyyy

How to use the EF site

Students log in with their own personalized account #, and password mm/dd/yyyyy - then go to forms and resources - tour enrolment (expand it) - then booking conditions (all must read this later as it's a long document). You will find all the info you need for the all inclusive plan that we've purchased for you and how to make any additional payments (if you get some Xmas money)

EF customer service number 1-800-263-2806 - if you need any clarification

General Meeting for already registered families and new families 6:30

1. JAMIE- travellers will be putting themselves into "small" groups of 10 people at the Oct. meeting. We are a large group but we pride ourselves in "feeling small" as each advisor is in charge of around 10 travellers so that advisor becomes your 'Go To" adult and the kids will get to know their advisor well. If you have any questions about the trip it is your son/daughter's advisor that you call. We will put the list of travellers and their advisors on the web in a week-10 days after. We are 2 buses so you register on a particular color

of paper with 4 of those papers making up a bus #1 bus and 3 groups of the different color make up the 2^{nd} bus

- 2. JAMIE Introduce advisors: 67 years of experience = Jamie Zurakowski 18 years, Jana Wilkie 19 years, Debbie Cournoyer 13 years, Lindsay Strachan 8 years, Sam Zurakowski 4 years, Scott Cournoyer 3 years, Kendall Schneider 2 years. Helping the club this year are Trina Sigrist, Tim Strom and Donna Dalziel
- 3. JAMIE- Passports -who has not applied? Apply now! If you have a passport it must be valid until October 11, 2026
- 4. JAMIE- Packing -there will be no room for a "wheeled" carry on. You will use a back pack for your carry on. We order club backpacks that you can use year after year. The fee for the backpacks is \$65
- 5. JAMIE- Paying for the trip -everyone must look at your accounts and make sure you're up to date with your payments. If you are doing manual payments the trip must be paid in full by Dec. 23. Several of you have payments left of over \$5000.00
- 6. **JAMIE**-Look at your EF site and check your emails that they are correct. These emails have been returned or the mailbox is full: Matly.p123@hotmail.com, domp2033@gmail.com
- 7. **JAMIE**-spreadsheet discuss -Jamie will be in the foyer after the meeting to answer spreadsheet questions
- 8. JAMIE explain the 2 different accounts 1) EF account where you pay for your trip 2) TC account where we collect your spending money/tipping money and t-shirt/fleece costs/ backpacks you are in charge of your EF account and this is what you need to be looking for:
 - 1) be sure that you do not have a \$40 or and \$80 weekend supplement fee on your account
 - 2) many of you have late payment fees -it's up to you to call and explain to EF why the payment is late and to see if they can reverse that particular fee
- 9. JAMIE I need 2 Notary Public's and/or Commissioner of Oaths to notarize our parent permission to travel forms. Please give me your name and contact numbers. This will happen at our March meeting. Please stay after the meeting and give Jamie your contact info.

- 10. JANA EF's drinking policy their new policy is to abide by the drinking rules of the country. So, if that countries' age limit is 18 or 19 then, even though it may be a 'cultural' experience that we may want the students to experience, EF's policy is that the students need to abide by those countries' rules.
- 11. JANA -explain rooming assignments -these will be done at our December meeting.
- 12. TRINA -discuss the 59 minute fund raiser
- 13. Lisa Stead Mitchell's Soup fund raiser info -this fund raiser runs from Oct 20-Nov. 2
- 14. DEBBIE Save On gift card fundraiser
- 15. JANA we want all travellers to bring 3 colored passport copies to the next meeting.
- 16. **JANA** other fund raisers, have copies of the official fund raising letter for families who will be doing them on their own
- 17. JANA -Remind 101 show how to get connected!
- 18. JANA -explain the web www.paytc.ca, and the socials
- 19. JAMIE Next meeting Monday, Oct. 6 6:00 JM Cuelenare Library
- 20. **JAMIE** \$500 draw to be made -YOU MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE TO WIN THE \$500 -if you, the traveller cannot come to the meeting you must call Jamie 306-960-6344
- 21. SAM discuss the last 2 weeks of BBQ's PLUS A) remind the families to join with another family to set up if that is what works for you. B) You need to have a "runner" to get supplies if you're running low on product. C) Use your own social media to tell family and friends to support you as you're running the BBQ's this day. This is why the BBQ's did so well last year as all your friends and family will come out to buy from you. D) Always "UPSELL" asking them if they'd like a coke and some cheese on their burger/hotdog. E) Every dollar you spend on something that is frivolous is a dollar that your traveller will not have at the end of the day.