

Educational Travel Program Guidelines

Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farther Foundation enables students from economically disadvantaged circumstances to participate in educational travel experiences where they explore interests, expand horizons, gain inspiration and elevate aspirations for future academic and life success.
Eligible Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current high school sophomores and juniors from Chicago and the surrounding area. Students from economically disadvantaged families based upon U.S. Department of Health & Human Services poverty guidelines and other family circumstances. Generally, students without previous enrichment travel opportunities that have met a minimum threshold for academic achievement. Students sponsored by an Education Partner and actively involved in programs that enhance regular school curriculum and support the student's own demonstrated dedication to personal growth.
Eligible Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrichment travel opportunities provided by operators that have designed age appropriate programs in which students become immersed in new cultures and experiences. Programs that allow the student to interact with others from diverse backgrounds. Programs that expand the student's artistic, scientific, academic, cross-cultural or foreign language skills and abilities. Programs generally two weeks in duration or longer. Programs can be foreign or domestic
Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grants of up to \$5,000 to support a single student's participation in a program. Grants may cover program fees, travel to and from the program location and other costs such as passport fees, required insurance and essential equipment. Whenever possible, grants are awarded to the Education Partner or program provider, not directly to the sponsored student.
Education Partner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education Partners are schools, community organizations or student support organizations that provide students with extra- or co-curricular support (e.g. tutoring, mentoring, internships, extended school days, after-school programming, leadership training, college preparatory activities). Education Partners serve as a reference and a partner for the student in the application process. Education Partners are the point of contact and liaison for Farther Foundation in facilitating communication with the students.
Application Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications are due on or before March 31. The selection committee will meet in mid-April to consider all completed applications received by the deadline.
Application Submission Procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Education Partner is responsible for working with individual students to ensure applications are complete before submission.
Submit Applications to	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farther Foundation 223 S. Elmwood Oak Park, IL 60302 We prefer to have applications completed online at www.fartherfoundation.org

Application for Support

About the student:

Name: _____ Birthday: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Student cell phone: _____

Email (include a non-school email): _____

School: _____ Year in school: _____ GPA/out of: _____

Parent email: _____

Has the student traveled before? ___ Yes ___ No

Where?	When?	For how long?	With who?

About the family:

Parents/Guardians

Name	Relationship to applicant

Other people in the household

Name	Relationship to applicant <i>(please provide the ages of siblings)</i>

Family Annual Income: _____

Are there additional financial circumstances we should know about?

About the Education Partner (Each student must be sponsored by an Education Partner):

Organization Name:		
Contact Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	Email:	
Website:		

About the travel program:

Organization Name:		
Contact Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	Email:	
Website:		
Name of program:		
Number of days:		

Brief program description (Provide the destination and main activities):
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Amount requested (\$500 - \$5,000): \$_____ Total cost of program: \$_____
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Questions for the student: (Write a paragraph or two for each question. Attach extra sheets if necessary)

Describe one planned activity or feature of your proposed educational travel program that most excites you and tell us why?

Is there something in your background, or an identity, interest, or talent that is so meaningful in your life that you believe your application would be incomplete without sharing it with us.

Where will you be in ten years, and what will you need to do to get there?

Questions for the Education Partner: (Attach extra sheets if necessary)

What programs run by your organization does the applicant utilize? How has this student benefited from being part of your program?

Describe any circumstances about the applicant and/or their family that you think we should be aware of and are relevant to their application.