

Application for International Service Learning

Dominican Republic – 2023-24

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Date turned in: _____ Advisor: _____

Why would you like to participate in international service learning in the Dominican Republic?

Have you been away from your family for several days before? If yes, when? How was it?

Describe ways that you show responsibility and independence in your daily life.

What attribute or quality do you bring that supports your classmates on and off campus?

What attribute or behavior do you plan on working on as a growth goal to support your class community on and off campus?

While abroad you would be expected to speak Spanish. How does this make you feel?

While abroad, if a situation feels uncomfortable, overwhelming, or you begin missing being at home, what strategies could you use to help you cope? How can you communicate with trip leaders?

Are you open to trying new foods? Do you have allergies or food restrictions?

Do you have any medical conditions that would require care while abroad? (Prescription medications, wear contacts, inhalers, etc.)

Choose one of the two quotes below to incorporate into a 350 word essay. This essay should also answer the questions listed below.

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again..."

Stephen Grellet - French Quaker

OR

"The real voyage of discovery consists, not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes." *Marcel Proust*

AND

- Why do you want to travel to another country and participate in service learning?
- How do you currently contribute to our school community?
- Name something that you can improve upon to give more to our school community. In what ways?

We will be checking in with advisors to ensure that the applicant is currently meeting middle school expectations across the board, socially and academically.

*Passport processing is delayed currently. With this application, turn in a copy of your passport or proof/communication about your passport renewal process. Expiration date needs to be after July 2024.

Please have your parent(s) sign below to show that they are aware that you are applying for this program. This signature does not mean the child will go on the trip, rather it shows that a parent feels comfortable with their child applying for the trip and is willing to support their child's efforts.

Parent Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____