



Join us on the next overseas mission trip for Providence students! This incredible opportunity allows attendees to witness firsthand how God actively works in different countries and cultures. The trip offers a unique experience to serve and learn, broaden perspectives on mission work, and grow spiritually - while visiting beautiful European countries.

Who Can Attend?

This trip is for current 10th through 12th graders. A limited number of spots are available, and there is an application process to qualify for this trip.

Where Are We Going and When?

Students will serve at Black Forest Academy (BFA) in Kandern, Germany, from June 15 to 24, 2024.

What Will We Do?

Attendees will serve in several ways, including maintenance (cleaning, painting, landscaping, etc.), childcare for BFA staff children, serving at a local bilingual elementary school, and hearing from missionaries in Kandern about how and where they serve.

There will also be many fun side trips to beautiful destinations in nearby France and Switzerland.

What is Black Forest Academy (BFA)?

Black Forest Academy is an English-speaking, 5th-12th grade international Christian boarding school primarily serving students from missionary families who share Jesus in nearly 60 countries worldwide.

BFA is located in Kandern, Germany, on the southwestern edge of the Black Forest. Kandern is a small, picturesque town surrounded by forests and rolling hills. It's only a short drive from Switzerland and France's Alsace region. The school's website is <https://bfacademy.de>

Items Required to Go

BFA requires all short-term volunteers to have:

- Background check
- Three references
- Measles vaccine (if born after 1972)
- Safeguarding training (45-minute video and signed form)

Providence requires:

- A Valid Passport (good for six months past the trip date)
- Completed Application
- Pre-Trip Interview

**Online application: www.providencechristianacademy.org/bfa
DEADLINE is Wednesday, February 21st**

Tentative Schedule

June 15: Depart for Germany

June 16: Arrive; Tour Kandern; Orientation

June 17-19 Day: Serve in maintenance (clean, paint, landscaping, etc.)

- June 17 Evening: Visit Basel, Switzerland
- June 18 Evening: Care for staff children during the Staff Dinner
- June 19 Evening: Visit Colmar, France

June 20 Day: Serve at CSK (bilingual elementary school partnership between BFA and the German community.)

- June 20 Evening: Hear from missionaries in Kandern about how and where they serve.

June 21: Visit Mt. Rigi and Lucerne, Switzerland

June 22: Visit Lauterbrunnen, Switzerland

June 23: Church; Afternoon fun; Reflection/Worship

June 24: Depart

Price Breakdown

Total Cost of Trip: \$2,425 (Payment due March 15th)

- 1800: Flight
- 150: Housing
- 250: Food (BFA/Prov provided meals; this is excluding personal "eat out" meals)
- 100: Gas/Van usage
- 125: Tickets (Mt. Rigi, Lauterbrunnen)

NOTE: This includes housing, food in Kandern, transportation, and other miscellaneous expenses. Meals in Basel, Colmar, Lucerne, and Lauterbrunnen are not included in the cost. Attendees should plan to spend extra funds on eating out and souvenirs. At least \$150 is estimated.

Excursions in France and Switzerland





**Mt. Rigi
Switzerland**



**Lucerne
Switzerland**



**Interlaken
Switzerland**

Sample Support Letter

The content below is a guide, but write your own message using your voice and story!

February __, 2024

Dear (name)

I have an opportunity this summer, June 15-23, to join other students from Providence Christian Academy on a mission trip to Kandern, Germany – home of the Black Forest Christian Academy. Our experiences will include working at the school – Black Forest is primarily for the children of missionaries serving in other parts of the world – to accomplish tasks on behalf of the faculty and families there. Along with working for the school we will also include providing childcare for a major staff event AND hosting a Bible School for another school. It is an amazing time to be the “hands and feet” of Jesus for this vital ministry.

I am excited about what God is going to do in my life and in other people’s lives through this ministry this summer. I do, however, need your help. We will be flying to Germany during the Olympic season – which has caused price increases in airfare for everyone! I need to raise \$ 2,200 before March 15th. Anything you can do to help will be greatly appreciated.

Regardless of your capacity to help financially, I ask that you PRAY for me and for this ministry. Know that I am praying for God to bless you in return as well.

In Christ,

(bottom part of the letter detailing “how” to give)