

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF INDIAN ROCKS



Short-Term Mission Trip Application Form
IRCS Mini-Mester

Trip Information

Location: Choice 1. _____
Choice 2. _____
Choice 3. _____

_____ I am willing to serve as a student leader wherever needed within a price range of _____

Participant's Information

• T-Shirt Size _____

• Full Name: _____ DOB: ____/____/____
(If applicable, as it appears on your Passport)

• Passport Information (Must check one):

_____ *I have included a copy of my passport with this application. My passport does not expire within six (6) months of the trip dates.*

_____ *My passport will expire within six (6) months of the trip dates, so I am applying for a new passport. I understand that the purchase of airline tickets is dependent upon the passport information, so I will promptly submit the passport application following the completion of this application. I understand that a delay on my part may mean that tickets for air travel cannot be purchased on my behalf which will cause my removal from the trip.*

_____ *I am in the process of applying for my first passport and will submit a copy of the passport as soon as it arrives. I understand that the purchase of airline tickets is dependent upon the passport information, so I will promptly submit the passport application following the completion of this application. I understand that a delay on my part may mean that tickets for air travel cannot be purchased on my behalf which will cause my removal from the trip.*

• Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone: () _____ Email: _____

What do you think you can contribute to our team (sing, play an instrument, drama, work, etc.)?

Please list any mission outreaches in which you have participated.

Trip Destination	Leader	Grade

How did the trips influence your life?

What areas in your life would you like to see more growth during this outreach?

Indian Rocks Christian School



Mission Trip Guidelines

Candidates participating on IRCS sponsored short-term trips are reminded that they are ambassadors of the Lord Jesus Christ. As candidates go out from here, they also represent IRCS, the agency they are participating with and in some cases the United States. This is a tremendous responsibility. Consequently, each candidate should strive to be above reproach in his actions and attitudes.

- 1.) Students must apply and be accepted to attend each trip. Their application is not active if they have not completely filled out all of the information spaces and included the required deposit of \$100. A complete application includes this form signed by both the student and the parent.
- 2.) Trips will be limited to twenty (20) students per site (or less) unless otherwise stated. Applications will be reviewed by a committee made up of the leaders from each trip and must be complete with the \$100 deposit to be considered. The deposit will be refunded if the student is not selected.
- 3.) ***Students have the opportunity to list three choices of outreach. They are not guaranteed their first choice and occasionally not a second choice.***
- 4.) Students selected for trips agree to attend the training sessions set up by their outreach leader. We realize conflicts in scheduling may arise and in such cases the student should communicate with the leader prior to the scheduled training time for permission to miss. Failure to attend training sessions may result in the student's removal from the trip.
- 5.) *Each trip has at least one mandatory parent meeting to communicate important information about the trip. Failure for a parent to attend may result in the student being removed from the trip.*
- 6.) Students attending IRCS mission trips are representing our school and our Lord therefore must be above reproach in the area of discipline. **Students who are suspended (15 points or more) will not be allowed to attend any mission trip for that school year.** A suspension before application will result in denial of acceptance. A suspension after application will result in the student's removal from the trip.
- 7.) All money accepted for a student's trip is processed through charitable contributions and a tax receipt is issued to the donor. **Because of this, no money can be refunded (to a parent or a donor) in the event a student does not attend the trip.** To do otherwise would jeopardize our tax-exempt status.
- 8.) Participants must submit to the team leaders' authority.
- 9.) Participants must refrain from abusive language, drinking alcoholic beverages, taking illegal narcotics, smoking, and all other offenses as outlined in the Parent/Student Handbook.

- 10.) *Participants may not purchase souvenirs that are illegal in the United States or against school rules (such as alcohol, tobacco, narcotics, switch blade knives, etc.).*
- 11.) *It is important for students to focus on the culture and mission of their trip. Because of this team leaders reserve the right to limit the amount of student emails, text messaging, or phone calls home. Each student will be able to call home one time per week.*
- 12.) *Due to political instability and anti-American sentiment in various countries, we ask that each candidate refrain from expressing political opinions on the trip.*
- 13.) *If at any time a candidate's behavior constitutes a problem, the team leader has the authority to ask that candidate to return home. Any additional costs incurred as a result of this action will be at the candidate's expense.*

We have read the Mission Trip Guidelines and agree to abide by them as stated.

Student signature

Parent signature

Date

All completed applications should be turned in to the office with the \$100 deposit.