

Intersession Policies

Intersession is truly a one-of-a-kind experience for Evansville Day School students providing memories and practical information that lasts a lifetime. At Day School, experiential learning happens in and outside of the classroom, and we are proud of Upper School Intersession as a full week for teachers and students to explore new places, ideas, careers, and experiences together, communicating and bonding beyond the confines of the school building.

Because we value this experience as part of our commitment to instilling Portrait of a Graduate attributes, Intersession is *mandatory* for all Upper School students. It is a graduation requirement to attend all days of Intersession. Spring break plans cannot be accommodated if they mean missing any portion of Intersession.

INTERSESSION SIGN-UP AND PAYMENT

We encourage and expect student initiative and leadership in proposing Intersession ideas and planning trips. Students with Intersession trip ideas should submit them to the Intersession Coordinator (Ms. Sarol) for teachers to discuss and determine feasibility.

Teachers meet in late spring to determine which potential experiences will be offered the following March. In August, teachers formally present trips to Upper School students and open them to sign-ups. *All* students must reserve their spots for Intersession experiences by bringing a deposit check for that Intersession trip to the group leader.

Groups then meet through the fall and early spring semesters in order to plan trips, discuss travel procedures, and review expectations. Group leaders will establish payment plans as necessary for each individual trip and maintain communication with students and families.

PREPARATION FOR TRAVEL

Whether groups are remaining local or traveling out of the Evansville area, all students must have completed emergency information forms on file with the school. Teachers may also ask for health insurance information in case of an emergency.

Where applicable, students are expected to heed teachers' guidelines on packing for trips to avoid incurring extra fees or limiting the group.

CONTINGENCIES FOR STUDENT MISCONDUCT

Students are expected to conduct themselves with integrity and abide by all Day School policies as well as the laws and procedures of a host country, city, business, organization, or site. Students who violate policies and expectations should expect consequences. Should a violation be deemed a liability to the group or the school, the supervising teachers have authority to dismiss the student at the family's responsibility and expense. Supervising teachers will make every reasonable effort to contact EDS administration and the student's family before ultimately making the decision to remove the student from the trip.

Updated Information: In the unlikely event a student needs to be sent home, that student's family will be responsible for all costs associated with transporting the student and his/her chaperone as well as any costs necessary to return the chaperone to the Intersession group. If a family is unwilling to pay this expense up front or is unable to make immediate plans for their child's return, Day School will cover the costs and add the cost plus 25% to the family's tuition bill.