



Expeditionary and Discovery Learning  
International Travel Initiative  
**Thailand 2018**

The culminating eighth grade students are invited to participate on our sixth international tour to Thailand! Departing in April 2018, students will have the opportunity to experience the Southeast Asian country known for its tropical beaches, opulent royal palaces, ancient ruins, and unique cuisine. Prior to departure, students will prepare for global travel through intensive engagement sessions designed to enhance their experience abroad.

At the end of the 2016-2017 academic year, DCS pledged to match the initial deposit of the first forty students as our way to encourage participation. Since that time, as you were made aware, we are operating within new budget constraints as a result of the Supreme Court decision handed down on August 8, 2017. Unfortunately, we are no longer able to offer that match for students. However, through **Sell More, Pay Less** and other fundraising initiatives, we are diligently working to provide other opportunities to alleviate some of the cost for students to participate. Be that as it may, parent/guardians are solely responsible for the total cost of the trip. Please consider the financial commitment for a student to attend this trip.

We are now accepting registration and deposits for all students interested in attending the Thailand 2018 tour. Please be advised, that a valid, current passport is **REQUIRED** (or proof that one is being processed) for students to register and deposits to be accepted and applied. Also, any student who currently has a delinquent PowerSchool account is not eligible to register until all previous debts have been satisfied. The registration period starts on **Monday, September 25, 2017** and ends **Friday, October 20, 2017**. Please take this time to consider this opportunity for your child and obtain the necessary document and satisfy the requirements needed to participate. Please read the terms and conditions to register your child. Any parent interested in chaperoning can indicate so on the registration form. You will be contacted directly with follow up information.

For your consideration, please review the following details of the Thailand tour:

**Tour Dates:** Monday, April 30, 2018 - Thursday, May 10, 2018  
**Anticipated cost per student:** \$3,100.00 *This price is subject to change as tour details are finalized.*

A tentative information session will be held on **Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at 6 pm**.  
*Final cost and specific tour details will be available at the information session.*

Please contact Beverly Lott, Expeditionary and Extended Day Business Director, with any questions or concerns.  
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