

2019 TVCS Germany Trip

The TVCS German cultural and language immersion trip is an exciting and wonderful opportunity to build on your knowledge and understanding of the German language, culture and history - moving it from the classroom to experiencing it and bringing it to life.

You will see and appreciate first-hand some of God's most beautiful creation - so different from our own; build lifelong friendships with your host family; travel in a foreign country where your own self-awareness and confidence will increase as you develop skills in budgeting and self-management, calculating exchange rates, ordering food in German and so much more. You will be immersed in the German language improving your proficiency as you read, speak and take in everything around you and listening to native speakers.

Germany's extensive history that we learn so much about in the classroom will become a personal experience for all students on the trip.

There will be a range of new, challenging, fun and unforgettable experiences which is simply not available for the vast majority of Australian students.

Would you like to be part of this fantastic opportunity?

If so, please register your interest by completing the attached **"2019 Germany Trip Application / Expression of Interest Form"** (also available at the front desk), and please return to Frau Allen asap at TVCS (either in hard copy format or email me at belinda.allen@tvcs.sa.edu.au for a copy of the form) preferably **by the end Term 4, 2017 or at the latest by the end of Week 2, Term 1, 2018.**

Returning this form by no means commits you to anything, but simply provides me with an indication of possible numbers and hence viability of such a trip.

Here are some brief details:

WHO - current year 8-12 students primarily who are studying German.

HOW LONG - approximately 3.5 weeks.

COST - approximately \$5,000 - \$5,500 which covers almost everything.

WHEN - April/May 2019 including the final week of Term 1, April School Holidays & the 1st week of Term 2.

WHAT – Beginning with 3 days in the Rhineland including a cruise along the Rhine (quintessential Germany), a one week Homestay in Bremen, Germany, then 2 weeks travelling around Germany, Austria and Switzerland, (including stays in Berlin, Nuremburg, Munich, Salzburg and visiting the Swiss Alps) where we will be taking in the sights, culture and history of these beautiful countries.

Please consider this offer carefully and prayerfully.

Confirmation with a **non-refundable deposit** will be needed towards the middle of term 1, 2018.

Students will also need to meet selection criteria and all school fees to be up to date.

There will be information evening early next year in Term 1 where more specific information will be discussed and the opportunity given for further questions.

However, please feel free to contact me before then if you have any questions.

Vielen Dank (Many thanks).
Many blessings.

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Trip Rationale:

There are many reasons why a cultural trip like this has proven to be such a significant learning and development opportunity for many past TVCS students; be they educational, cultural, personal and spiritual growth and development, and even social.

The trip to Germany can:

- build on the understanding and knowledge of both the German language and culture already learnt at school or home;
- allow the students to learn about and appreciate God's beautiful creation;
- increase the students' awareness of and acceptance of other cultures and increase their love and appreciation of other people groups by firsthand experience;
- provide an opportunity to be a Christian witness to the families and other people they have contact with;
- build lifelong friendships with their host family;
- immerse the students in a language other than English so that they can increase their proficiency in German including reading, writing and speaking to and listening to native speakers;
- extend the students' knowledge and understanding of Germany's society, language and extensive history;
- increase the students' self-awareness, travelling and life skills and experience and independence by travelling away from home;
- assist in individual growth; build confidence and impact students' perspective and world view positively; and grant a greater appreciation for their own life situation;
- expansion of students' view of the modern and historical worlds;
- broaden each student's appreciation of our own culture and language;
- develop the children's skill in organisation, budget management, using different currencies, calculating exchange rates, observation, time management, conflict resolution and self-management;
- give students something long term and exciting to work towards, save for and be dedicated to achieving.

Travelling overseas on this fully packed itinerary provides a range of new, challenging and fun experiences which normally, for many Australian students are simply not accessible.



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APPLICATION / EXPRESSION OF INTEREST Applicants please complete:

Name of student: _____

Year Level in 2017: _____

By signing this form, parents grant approval for their child to register their interest in the 2019 TVCS Germany trip.

Parent/s' name, phone numbers and email:

Names: _____
Phone: _____
Mobile 1: _____
Mobile 2: _____
Email 1: _____
Email 2: _____



Parents' consent for student to undertake individual fundraising: (Yes/No)

Any comments or questions you have at this stage:

Parent signature: _____

Please direct any questions or queries to Frau Belinda Allen.



Please return this form to **Frau Allen** at TVCS in hard copy or email to belinda.allen@tvcs.sa.edu.au preferably by the end **Term 4, 2017** or at the latest by the end of **Week 2, Term 1, 2018**.