## A Partner You Can Rely On

In 2021, we supported tens of thousands of travelers around the world. For more than 50 years, WorldStrides has been the trusted educational travel partner of more than 9 million teachers and students, and our industry-leading commitment to health and safety speaks for itself. Expecting the unexpected is where we excel.

#### Tackling the new normal

Traveling today looks different than it did a few years ago, and that's why working with a trusted organization is more important than ever. Our team is relentlessly committed to providing fun, educational experiences that never sacrifice peace of mind. All aspects of every program are reviewed, from the initial planning stages to the on-program experience, and the health and safety of our participants is our top priority every step of the way.

#### **Evolving standards**

Our team is continually evaluating and updating our protocols based on current CDC guidance and the recommendations of our Doctors on Call Team from the George Washington University Department of Emergency Medicine. Led by Dr. Neal Sikka, who also serves as WorldStrides' Medical Director, our Doctors on Call Team is an interdisciplinary group with access to George Washington University experts from public health, infectious disease, and laboratory services (testing).



### A Proven Track Record

## 70,048

Number of 2021 travelers through December 6

# 0.04%

Percentage of travelers with confirmed positive cases on program

# 0.12%

Percentage of travelers testing positive during pre-travel screening



Check out additional traveler photos and testimonials here: worldstrides.com/travel-gallery

# We're with you every step of the way

#### **Pre-Tour**

All participants are required to provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test in order to travel. If their test is positive, we work with them on options for future travel. A Safety Briefing is conducted for all participants to share travel tips and best practices for staying healthy, and our Top Travel Safety Tips help students learn about safety in a series of short, fun videos.

#### **On-Tour**

In addition to consistent hygiene practices, we've refined every piece of the itinerary from hotel selection and meals to motorcoach protocols and flexible rooming options. If a participant experiences symptoms, we safely separate them from the rest of the group and arrange testing. If the test result is positive, we are there every step of the way.

#### **Post-Tour**

Our team goes above and beyond by offering support for any group with participants who become ill during the 14 days after returning home. In the event a participant tests positive, our team supports teachers in contact tracing and notifications as needed.

## Meet your support team

#### **Program Staff**

All WorldStrides team members are fully vaccinated and trained in-depth on current COVID-19 protocols. They will guide your group throughout their learning journey and also support you with health and safety best practices while on program.

#### WorldStrides On Call

It's your 24/7/365 support team. Your On Call team supports participants in case of any incident – from flight delays to itinerary changes to supporting student illness or injury during the program.

#### **Doctors On Call**

Medical consultation is always just a phone call away. Our Doctors on Call team is available 24/7/365 to respond to any illness or injury on program. They can arrange COVID-19 testing, provide medical support and guidance in the event a participant tests positive, and even work with travelers experiencing mental health issues.

"I had one of the greatest times of my life. I learned a lot and had a fun time with my friends. I would highly recommend taking the opportunity to participate in this trip experience if you have the chance."

-Nicholas, Student

"I was comforted to know that WorldStrides kept on top of all COVID protocols... When our school leader sent group photos, I could tell they were on a trip of a lifetime with memories made forever."

-Claudia, Parent

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