

# Shiloh Christian School Student Travel Standards

The mission of Shiloh Christian is to develop Godly leaders who engage their culture and change it. We recognize the value of travel experiences as a significant opportunity to promote student growth in the context of relationships with peers and trip leaders. As students travel, they see God's creative work in nature, culture, and people, and we regularly hear of the transformative work God does in students' lives through travel. We also recognize how sensitive these experiences can be for students, thus the standards outlined below articulate our expectations for students to promote and protect the school travel experience.

## Part I: Student Safety and Protection Policy

We want to ensure the safety and well-being of our students as they travel with Shiloh Christian. The safety and well being of all students is of utmost importance to Shiloh Christian. As a result, Shiloh Christian reserves the right to evaluate whether a student is fit to travel. **If any of the following situations apply to a student, he or she may not be permitted to travel (at the discretion of Shiloh Administration):**

### Student has...

- Been placed on or is currently on probation.
- Been hospitalized due to behavioral, emotional, or physical diagnosis within the past year.
- Engaged in self-harming behavior or expressed suicidal ideation within the past year.
- Been involved in a Class II or above offense (as stated in the Parent/Student Handbook) within the past year.
- A physical or medical condition that may pose as a threat to student safety or hinder appropriate participation in light of the trip destination and/or itinerary.
- A grade below 70% in an academic core class.
- More than 10 absences in an academic core class.
- Been identified as having other issues of concern to Shiloh Christian personnel.

## Part II: Student Handbook Reminders

### 1. Travel / Group

- a. Students must always be in a group of at least 3 students at all times. Activity specific group sizes may be communicated and must be respected.
- b. Students should not be alone at any time.
- c. Students must attend all meal times and be punctual to all meeting times.
- d. During any assigned free time, students may not ride any public / ride-share transit and must stay within the parameters set by trip leaders.
- e. Students may not leave their housing location without prior permission from a trip leader.
- f. Students must stay in the assigned room or sleeping area once room checks have occurred. If there is any need to leave the room after curfew, one of your trip leaders must be informed and present.

### 2. Community Expectations

- a. Refrain from “coupling off” with someone of the opposite gender or publicly displaying affection.
- b. Refrain from going into cabins or rooms of members of the opposite gender at all times.
- c. Respect and listen to the speakers, guides, and chaperones, using proper eye contact and body language that show you are engaged, respectful, and attentive.
- d. Cell phone usage expectations will be communicated as needed and needs to be respected.
- e. Respect the environment, culture and location you are visiting.
- f. If you are not feeling well or a concern arises, contact a trip leader/chaperone immediately.

**3. Behavioral Expectations**

- a. No weapons or fireworks of any kind may be brought, used or purchased on trips.
- b. No drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or vaporizers may be brought, used or purchased on trips.
- c. Students should not share medication or distribute prescription drugs.
- d. Although our in-school dress code adjusts slightly for trips, please make sure your clothing is appropriate and follows communicated guidelines.
- e. Respect the property of each location and the belongings of other students.
  - i. *Trip leaders have the right to send home students that fail to modify their behavior after repeated corrections or conversations.*

Please note: We do not anticipate any disciplinary issues; however, if a student must be sent home for disciplinary issues, he/she will be put on the first flight home. The student’s family will be responsible for any cost of the flight, as well as any additional costs that may be incurred. Shiloh Christian’s Leadership Team will then evaluate the details of the incident and administer a disciplinary process commensurate with the offense.

***I understand that while I am traveling, I represent my home, school, and Jesus Christ. My conduct, words, and attitude will always reflect that. I read and understand the expectations required on Shiloh Christian trips. I understand that failure to complete these tasks or abide by these policies will result in immediate removal from the trip.***

Please sign below to indicate abidance with Parts I and II and Shiloh Christian’s Student Travel Standards.

TRIP NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_