



Permission To Travel Form

Dear Families,

Many countries do not allow entry of minors who are not accompanied by both parents unless the children have written, notarized permission from the absent parents/legal guardian for the travel. In accordance, we have included a form for you to take to a Notary Public for their signature and seal. Please make a copy of the enclosed form (after it is notarized) for your own records and send the original with your son or daughter on the opening day of the program.

According to the US Department of State Consular Information Sheet:

"In an effort to prevent international child abduction, many governments have initiated special procedures for minors at entry and exit points. These often include requiring documentary evidence of relationship and permission for the child's travel from the parent(s) or legal guardian not present. Having such documentation on hand may facilitate entry or departure."

In our experience, enforcement of these provisions is not always consistent, although it is becoming increasingly common. To be proactive and minimize potential problems, we ask that parents provide a notarized consent decree, which students must carry along with their passports/ID when traveling. We have created this form for these purposes. To obtain a notary in your area, you may consult the Yellow Pages in the phone book under "Notaries-Public."

Please be advised that whether parents are still together or if you have joint custody of your child, we suggest that consent be given by both parents. If you have sole custody, you should be prepared to provide proof that the other parent is not required to provide consent (e.g. by a custody order, judgment, or equivalent.)

We regret the inconvenience, but appreciate your help in assuring smooth travel. Again, please be sure your son or daughter carries the notarized letter, along with their passport to the departure point. We will send out another reminder in our late May/early June mailing.

Thank you for your assistance,

Global Works



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PLEASE CARRY THIS DOCUMENT ALONG WITH
YOUR PASSPORT AND ID ON TRAVEL DAYS

(Please PRINT all information)

This form certifies that _____ has
(Minor's full name)
the permission of his/her undersigned parents to travel without a legal guardian
to _____:
(Country of destination)

(To be of full effect for international travel purposes, this document must be signed before a Notary Public.)

Printed full name of parent/legal guardian _____

Relationship to participant _____

Signature _____

Printed full name of parent/legal guardian _____

Relationship to participant _____

Signature _____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2005

PLACE NOTARY SEAL HERE

Notary Public, in and for the State of _____

Residing at _____

NOTARY SIGNATURE
NOTARY PRINTED NAME
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES ON: