

SAN FRANCISCO

5 Days | Bay Area Student Tour

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TOUR SNAPSHOT

You and your class can experience the excitement of San Francisco Bay. From a visit to iconic Fisherman's Wharf, Pier 39 where you can catch views of the California sea lions, to rides on the world's first invented cable cars, you'll love exploring and learning about the many facets of the city. With so many amazing destinations like walking the iconic Golden Gate Bridge and touring the notorious Alcatraz Island, this tour is sure to be packed with adventure and fun. Don't miss this chance to help students discover all that San Francisco has to offer.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:



Sites & Activities:

Fisherman's Wharf, Pier 39, Cruise to Alcatraz Island-Round Trip with audio tour, Golden Gate Bridge, Golden Gate Fortune Cookie Factory, City Lights Bookstore, The Exploratorium, Cable Car Ride, Winchester Mystery House guided tour, Aquarium of the Bay



Your Brightspark
Tour Leader



Accommodations
4 nights hotel



Transportation
Flights, Private motor
coach



Meals
4 breakfasts, 4 dinners





WHY BRIGHTSPARK?

PUTTING YOUR EXPERIENCE FIRST

- **Our Tour Leaders Make All The Difference:** They are experts in fun and are equipped with educational content and interactive games that keep your students engaged. Extensively trained and masters in logistics, they deal with all the details to ensure a stress-free class trip!
- **The Best Support:** Our team is with you every step of the way from itinerary planning to board paperwork, online payment collection, and 24/7 on-tour assistance. We are dedicated to making the planning process simple and easy.
- **Go. Discover. Inspire:** You are not a tourist, but a traveller; we will expose you and your students to the soul of the destination and ignite your sense of wonder.



EXPERTS IN STUDENT TRAVEL

We have 40+ years of travel experience, exceptional supplier relationships, and an impeccable safety record, so you can rest assured your tour will be sparktacular!

95%
OF TEACHERS
LOVE OUR
TOURS

40+
YEARS OF
TRAVEL
EXPERIENCE

33K+
PASSENGERS
TRAVELLED
LAST YEAR



WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED

THE BEST INSURANCE

Feel safe with the knowledge that your students are fully protected with cancellation insurance provided by Travel Guard, which includes school board cancellation for **ANY REASON.**



"Overall experience from start to finish was fantastic. The kids had a great time and will have memories that will last a lifetime. Our tour leaders, Phillipe & Adriele, went above and beyond getting to know the students and helping us with special requests. Thank you for everything!"

Gatestone Staff & Students, HWDSB

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DAY 1

- 10:00 a.m. **Board your flight** to San Francisco
- 1:00 p.m. **Arrive in San Francisco**, where your Tour Director will meet you at the airport.
- 2:00 p.m. **Board your washroom equipped, climate-controlled highway motor coach** and depart for Fisherman's Wharf. En route, your Tour Director will get to know the students on a first name basis.
- 4:00 p.m. **Expore Fisherman's Wharf.** Discover the excitement of iconic Fisherman's Wharf, one of the busiest and most popular tourist attractions in the western United States.
- 6:30 p.m. **Dinner**
- 9:00 p.m. **Hotel check-in**

DAY 2

- 7:30 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 9:30 a.m. **Cruise to Alcatraz Island-round trip with audio tour.** Take a journey back in time with a cruise to the notorious Alcatraz Island, former home to infamous criminals like Al Capone, George "Machine Gun" Kelley, and Robert "The Birdman" Stroud. As you explore the National Park, you'll enjoy a captioned orientation video with historical footage, self-guided walks, exhibits, and Ranger-interpretive talks on topics like "Famous Escapes". The highlight of the tour is the award-winning audio tour of the prison Cell House, featuring actual interviews with former guards and inmates.
- 1:00 p.m. **Lunch at your own cost**
- 2:00 p.m. **Walk across the Golden Gate Bridge.** Discover one of the most iconic landmarks in the world. Opened to the public in 1937, this engineering marvel has stood the test of time. Stretching almost two miles across the Golden Gate—the narrow strait where San Francisco Bay meets the Pacific Ocean—the bridge connects the city of San Francisco to Marin County, California.
- 4:00 p.m. **Visit the Golden Gate Fortune Cookie Factory.** Get an inside look at how world-class cookies are made at the Golden Gate Fortune Cookie Factory, where up to 10,000 fortune cookies are made from scratch each day using a cast iron rotating griddle wheel and an assembly line-style process.
- 4:45 p.m. **Visit the City Lights Bookstore.** Marvel at the magic of City Lights, one of the greatest independent bookstores in the United States.
- 6:30 p.m. **Dinner**

DAY 3

- 6:30 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 10:00 a.m. **Visit The Exploratorium.** Discover a world of wonder at the museum of science, art, and human perception, featuring over 600 amazing interactive exhibits. You'll

have the chance to dance with your own shadow, levitate objects, and even touch a simulated tornado.

- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch at your own cost**
- 3:00 p.m. **Cable Car Ride.** Don't miss this chance to experience a piece of history in motion as you ride on San Francisco's iconic cable cars, the world's first-ever invented cable cars. These vehicles were even distinguished for being the first moving National Historic Landmark in 1964.
- 6:00 p.m. **Dinner**
- 7:30 p.m. **Visit Pier 39.** Get ready for a night of fun and adventure at Pier 39! With a variety of shops, restaurants, a video arcade, street performances, and the Aquarium of the Bay, there's much to see. Be sure to check out the virtual 3D rides and the views of California sea lions lounging on K-Dock.

DAY 4

- 6:30 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 10:00 a.m. **Guided Tour of Winchester Mystery House.** Step into a bizarre and eccentric world of incredible craftsmanship with a tour of Winchester Mystery House in San Jose. With 110 rooms open to visitors, explore the mysterious mansion and discover why it has earned its name as one of the most bizarre and inexplicable houses in the world.
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch at your own cost**
- 3:00 p.m. **The Aquarium of the Bay self-guided visit.** Discover the Bay, Under the Bay, Touch the Bay, and Save the Bay are four parts of your journey exploring San Francisco Bay. Learn about the Bay's key features and diverse aquatic life, walk through crystal-clear tunnels surrounded by 23,000 aquatic animals, touch live marine animals in touch pools, and learn how to help save the Bay's precious marine environments.
- 6:00 p.m. **Dinner**

DAY 5

- 7:30 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. **Check out of your hotel**
- 9:00 a.m. **Board your motor coach** and depart for the airport to catch your flight home.
- 6:00 p.m. **Welcome Home!**

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