

Travel

Travel is permitted only with the Host Family, CETUSA Coordinator, or on a CETUSA, school, or church sponsored trip. All chaperones must be over age 25. Permission must be provided to CETUSA from the natural parents, host parents, and school.

Notification of Travel

- The CETUSA coordinator must be notified in the case of all **OVERNIGHT TRAVEL** away from the host community.
- A Travel Release Form must be submitted to the CETUSA office **2 weeks** in advance of any approved travel for **MORE THAN 2 NIGHTS** with the host family or any other travel **MORE THAN ONE NIGHT**. Natural parent permission is also required for such travel. **No plans should be booked until the Travel Release is approved.**
- Approval for Travel Releases will be sent to the Community Coordinator via Student Issues Report.

Permitted Travel

With the Host Family

- The host family must notify the coordinator by telephone of any trip involving an overnight stay away from home.
- For travel more than 2 nights, natural parent permission is required. Submit a Travel Release Form to the CETUSA office 2 weeks prior to the trip.

With the CETUSA Coordinator

- Students may travel with CETUSA coordinators within established guidelines. Please see Guidelines for Travel Organized by CETUSA coordinators on the next page.
- Due to liability reasons, CETUSA cannot assume any responsibility for coordinator-sponsored trips. When offering the trip, it should be made clear to participants that the trip is not arranged by nor sponsored by CETUSA.

With a Church or School Group (chaperoned by an adult over age 25)

- For any overnight travel, submit a Travel Release Form with a detailed itinerary attached.
- For travel more than 2 nights, natural parent and host family permission is required. Submit a Travel Release Form (with the chaperone's signature) to the CETUSA office 2 weeks prior to the trip.

With Natural Parents or Family over age 25 (Including visiting locally)

- Travel and/or visits with natural parents or family over age 25 is only permitted during the last 2 weeks of the program so that it does not interfere with the student's adjustment or school attendance.
- Written permission from the host family and the school (if the trip requires absence) is required. Submit a Travel Release Form to the CETUSA office 2 weeks prior to the trip.
- If the student is traveling outside the host community, travel must be directly from the student's host community to the point of visit and return. No diversions from this direct route or overnight stopovers are permitted.

Prohibited Travel

- Travel that would interfere with regular school attendance is never permitted, unless the school provides written permission. Unchaperoned long distance travel by car, bus or train is strictly prohibited.

Travel Out of the U.S.

- Any student who plans to leave the country on an authorized trip must follow specific regulations regarding visas and reentry. Before leaving home, you should make certain the student has his/her passport. If the student has been issued a J-1 visa, he/she must have the DS-2019, signed by an officer/alternate officer from the CETUSA HSP office. A student with an F-1 visa must have their I-20 signed by school authorities.
- All of these documents are crucial for proper immigration proceedings on departure and reentry. The I-94 will be taken on departure and a new form will be issued upon reentry. Neither the DS2019 nor the I-20 should be surrendered except upon final departure.