

Spring Break Trip to Beijing Deadlines Approaching

Still thinking of joining other students and parents on the Spring Break Trip to China? Here are some interesting **China facts** to spark your interest:

- Even though China is geographically the world's third largest country, it has only one time zone. Sunrise in the westernmost provinces of China can be as late as 10 a.m.
- China's new bullet trains connect many of the major cities and travel at speeds of more than 300 kilometers per hour.
- Most Chinese hotels provide complimentary toothbrushes and toothpaste. The toothpaste is often green tea flavored.

The ten day Spring Break Trip is open to students grade one and up and will include several days at one of our partner schools in Beijing plus visits to many of the famous historical and cultural sites in and around Beijing. Students who are in grade four and under should be accompanied by at least one parent.

Application and deposit deadline is December 18. To date, about 20 students, parents and staff members have expressed a strong interest in participating. **A minimum group size of approximately 12 is needed to make this trip a go.** Please read the attached documents.

Here are some important dates for all who are planning to participate:

- December 18 – Application and Waiver Forms, \$500 deposit required.
- January 15 – Photocopy of Passport, \$600 second payment due. This is also the last day to withdraw from the trip and receive a full refund.
- February 16 – Due date for completed Chinese Visa application and passport to be submitted to school.
- March 4 – Copy of International Medical and Trip Interruption Insurance Certificate due. Final payment of \$1400 due.

