

2018-2019 TEACHER TRAVEL GUIDE



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Who is eduSTAR ? Experts in Student Travel for Over 35 Years

eduSTAR Tours is one of the foremost companies focusing on educational student tours. For over 35 years we have made "classrooms come to life" by providing educational tours that concentrate on many cities such as New York City, Washington D.C., Philadelphia, Boston, Orlando and more. Within each city, we can focus on subject matters such as history, art, drama, business, fashion, and music. Many of our customers have integrated these educational tours into their academic curriculum as they have come to the realization that including a student tour is fundamental to rounding out their students' education. For example, you can teach your students about history and government and you can expand their knowledge and prospective on this subject through visiting Washington D.C.

Knowing the importance of student tours, eduSTAR can make it easy for teachers, administrators and parents to achieve their goals of a well-planned educational tour. As a leader in providing educational tours, our staff will become familiar with your group's objectives and then customize the perfect student tour.

eduSTAR will provide your group with all-inclusive packages, low prices, simplified payment plans and tailored itineraries to your destination.

Just when the season for school tours ends in June, there is no vacation time for eduSTAR as we provide summer camp tours to any of our destinations, including New York City, Washington D.C., Boston, West Coast tours, Niagara Falls, Los Angeles and more.

Affilations





Thanks again for a wonderful trip that the students will never forget. ~ Cindi V., Teacher, P.S. 5, Brooklyn, NY







What's included...

Listed below are all of the inclusions on your group tour with eduSTAR. Please keep in mind that you may add or not include any of the items listed. Your choices will affect that package price to make it work best for your group. When you click on Request a Tour Quote, please list anything to be included or excluded. Of course, if you want to go over what you want included you can always **call us at 800.426.0157**.

ROUND-TRIP TRANSPORTATION

As part of your tour group's package, eduSTAR will provide your tour group with suggestions for your round trip transportation. If traveling by air, motorcoach or train, our office will handle all of the details, including reservations, seating, ticketing and everything necessary. If your tour group travels to your destination by air or train, a motorcoach will pick you up at the airport or train station and stay with you for the entire tour.

MOTORCOACH TRANSPORTATION

If your tour group travels by bus to your destination or you fly or take a train to your city of choice, eduSTAR will contract with a top-notch motorcoach company while on tour. The bus will stay with your group all day during your tour. Any bus company selected by eduSTAR must (1) be in full compliance with federal and state transportation rules and regulations and (2) have been audited by the US Department of Transportation and was awarded the highest possible safety rating.

STUDENT SAFE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Every hotel selected by eduSTAR for your group will be "student safe." That means that all hotels will 1) be name brand (Sheraton, Hilton, Ramada, Marriott Courtyard...); 2) No outdoor corridors; 3) No student group will be housed on first floor rooms; 4) All rooms will be close together; and 5) all mini-bars will be locked with no keys. All paying participants are provided with rooms for four participants. All rooms may be upgraded at additional cost.

FREE CHAPERONES

As part of your tour package, we will provide your group with one free chaperone for every 20 paying participants. If your school system requires a different ratio (i.e. one free for every 10 paying), we would be happy to make any adjustment.

CUSTOMIZED ITINERARY

Over the years, eduSTAR has produced many unique itineraries to student groups all over the country and no two itineraries are ever the same. Simply click on Request a Tour Quote and request a sample itinerary that interests your group. An edu-STAR Tour Director will work with you and your team to discuss the itinerary and how best to achieve your group's objectives. At that point, we can provide you with a customized itinerary that exceeds your expectations.

DELICIOUS MEALS

Your group will receive full American or continental breakfasts at the hotel or at a restaurant. For dinners, eduSTAR can provide your group with theme restaurants (e.g. Hard Rock Café), ethnic cuisine, buffets or food courts in the city. We can even provide a dinner cruise or dinner theater in many cities. All lunches are at the group's expense. If you do want us to include lunches in the package price please let us know. All dietary issues, such as allergies or vegetarian diets can be accommodated.

ONE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP TOUR

Over the years, we have heard heartbreaking stories of students as well as great academic achievements of students. eduSTAR is proud to provide your student group of 30 or more paying participants, with one additional tour for free. The student chosen is entirely up to the tour leaders.

LICENSED TOUR GUIDE

eduSTAR has a licensed staff of tour guides throughout the various cities. Many guides have been with us for many years and often work with our repeat customers. All tour guides are student friendly and know how best to communicate on your student tour in a fun and educational manner. All tour guides stay at the hotel with the group and all are required to submit to a background check.

NIGHT TIME SECURITY

Each night at the hotel, a bonded nighttime security guard will stay on your group floor(s) to keep an eye on your students. In addition, many hotels used by eduSTAR often have their own private security plus security cameras throughout the hotel.

TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE

There are several options for you and the parents to consider with respect to cancellation insurance. One option is to participate in eduSTAR's "Tour Payment Refund" program which allows you to cancel for any reason. In that event, the group must all participate in the Online Payment System. The other options are the National Tour Association "Travel Protection and 24-hour assistance for travelers " (applications can be provided by eduSTAR) or the Insure My Group, which can be found at www.insuremytrip.com.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

eduSTAR is fully insured with a General Liability & Professional Errors & Omissions Insurance policy. If you or any administer would like to see a copy, feel free to give us a call.

NO HIDDEN COSTS

That's right. All taxes, tips and gratuities, and admissions are included in your package price. Your group only needs to pay for lunches and souvenirs.

STAFF AVAILABLE 24/7

While on tour an educator representative will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a year for any reason or simply just to say hello.



New York City

Welcome to "The Big Apple." Once the first capital of the United States, now this great city is known as the capital of the world. When entering this island of 13.4 miles long and 2.3 miles wide, you and your students will be amazed at all of the action in NYC. Whether it's drama on Broadway, finance on Wall Street, fashion on 7th Avenue or museums on the "Museum Mile," this truly is the "city that never sleeps."

IF WHILE ON THIS EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO NYC, YOU ARE FOCUSING ON A SPECIAL SUBJECT MATTER, EDUSTAR CAN PROVIDE YOU AND YOUR GROUP WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

DRAMA

- See one or more Broadway Shows
- Meet the cast after the show
- Drama workshop
- Radio City Music Hall

MUSIC

- See one or more Broadway Shows
- Tour of Radio City Music Hall
- Band or choir performance in NYC
- Cathedral of St. John The Divine

ART

- Metropolitan Museum of Art
- The Guggenheim Museum
- Museum of Modern Art ("MoMa")
- Whitney Museum of American Art

FASHION

- Metropolitan Museum of Art and view "The Fashion in Art"
- Fashion Institute of Technology ("F.I.T")
- Parsons School of Design
- Garment Center shops
- Tour of Macy's
- Lower East Side Tenement Museum

BUSINESS

- Wall Street and Financial District
- New York Stock Exchange
- Federal Reserve Bank of NY
- Museum of American Finance
- View of the NASDAQ

HISTORY

- Trinity Church, Federal Hall and South Street Seaport
- Museum of Natural History
- Grand Central Terminal
- United Nations
- Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum



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WHILE ON TOUR, THERE ARE PLENTY OF PLACES TO VISIT IN NEW YORK CITY, INCLUDING:

- 9/11 Memorial
- Apollo Theater
- Central Park
- Chinatown & Little Italy
- Empire State Building
- Financial District
- Famous 5th Avenue
- Grand Central Terminal
- Harlem

- Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum
- Macy's
- Metropolitan Museum of Art
- Museum of Natural History
- Radio City Music Hall
- Rockefeller Center
- St. Patrick's Cathedral
- Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island
- Times Square

AFRICAN AMERICAN

- Harlem
- Apollo Theater
- Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture
- United Nations

CULINARY ARTS

- Tour and lunch at French Culinary Institute
- Chelsea Market / Meatpacking District
- Little Italy and Chinatown market
- History of Fulton Fish Market

COLLEGE TOURS

- New York University
- Columbia University
- Fordham University

SPORTS/MARKETING

- Tour of Madison Square Garden
- Yankee Stadium or Citi Field Tour
- Macy's Department Store
- Wall Street and Financial District

SENIOR CLASS TRIP

- Shopping on 5th Avenue
- Chill out in Central Park
- Broadway play or ball game (optional)
- Six Flags Great Adventure (optional)
- Group photo in Times Square



At eduSTAR, we can customize your itinerary to exceed your goals.



Washington D.C.

This unique city, a compromise between the northern and southern states, was established by the U.S. Constitution to serve as our nation's capital. You and your students will walk the tracks of many of our nation's leaders and experience historical events that had an impact on our country. In addition to the past, your group will experience the current events of our government. Because of Washington D.C.'s unique character it is a "must see" for your students.

IF WHILE ON THIS EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO WASHINGTON D.C., YOU ARE FOCUSING ON A SPECIAL SUBJECT MATTER, EDUSTAR CAN PROVIDE YOU AND YOUR GROUP WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

AFRICAN AMERICAN

- National Museum of African American History and Culture
- African American Civil War Memorial and Museum
- Mary McLeod Bethune Council House
- Frederick Douglass National Historic Site
- Howard University

COLLEGE TOURS

- Georgetown University
- George Washington University
- American University
- Howard University

ART

- National Gallery of Art
- Corcoran Gallery of Art
- Hirshhorn Museum & Sculpture Garden
- National Museum of American Art
- National Portrait Gallery



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Student Trips to Washington D.C.

WHILE ON YOUR SCHOOL TRIP, YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS MAY SEE:

- Arlington National Cemetery
- Capitol Building
- Ford's Theatre and Peterson House
- Holocaust Memorial Museum
- Iwo Jima Memorial
- Jefferson Memorial
- Korean War Veterans Memorial
- Library of Congress
- Lincoln Memorial
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial

- National Air and Space Museum
- National Archives
- National Museum of Natural History
- National Museum of American History
- Supreme Court
- Vietnam Veterans War Memorial
- Washington National Cathedral
- Washington Monument
- White House
- World War II War Memorial







Boston

As one of the oldest American cities, Boston offers the best of the past, present and future. Your student group will visit many major sights of the American Revolution including a walk along the Freedom Trail. While in there, you can head north to Salem to learn the history of the witch trials, or ride south to Plymouth with a visit to the Plimoth Plantation and the Mayflower II. Of course, while in "Bean Town" your students will explore the culture of great colleges and museums. Every history teacher loves this trip!

IF WHILE ON THIS EDUCATIONAL TOUR, YOU ARE FOCUSING ON A SPECIAL SUBJECT MATTER, EDUSTAR CAN PROVIDE YOU AND YOUR GROUP WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

AFRICAN AMERICAN

- Beacon Hill
- Underground Railroad
- Museum of African American History

COLLEGE TOURS

- Harvard University
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Northeast University





WHILE ON THIS AMAZING SCHOOL TOUR TO BOSTON, YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS MAY SEE:

- Boston Common
- Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum
- Bunker Hill Monument
- Faneuil Hall / Quincy Market
- Fenway Park
- Freedom Trail
- Harvard University
- John F. Kennedy Presidential Library & Museum
- Lexington and Concord Battlefields
- Mayflower II
- New England Aquarium
- Plimoth Plantation
- The Old South Meeting House
- The Old State House
- Paul Revere House
- Skywalk Observatory
- USS Constitution / Old Ironsides
- Salem Witch Museum



Philadelphia

As a partial repayment of debt, Charles II of England granted William Penn a charter for what would become the Pennsylvania colony. Penn named the city Philadelphia, which is Greek for "brotherly love." While on this school trip to Philadelphia, your students will learn of the hosting of the First Continental Congress before the Revolutionary War, the Second Continental Congress, which signed the Declaration of Independence, during the war, and the Constitutional Convention, after the war. Your students will love to absorb the life and legacy of scientific and political impact of Benjamin Franklin, "The First American." There are lots to do in this historic city.





WHILE ON THIS EDUCATIONAL STUDENT TOUR TO PHILADELPHIA, YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS MAY SEE:

- Betsy Ross House
- Christ Church
- Congress Hall
- Eastern State Penitentiary
- Franklin Court
- Franklin Institute
- Franklin Square
- Independence Hall
- Independence National Historical Park
- Liberty Bell Center
- National Constitution Center
- National Liberty Museum
- Penn's Landing
- Philadelphia Museum of Art
- Society Hill
- United States Mint
- Valley Forge National Park



Orlando

If you are thinking about a student tour for your kids, Orlando may be a great place to consider. While Orlando is well known for fun in the sun, the parks offer many options while on your school trip. If you are a science teacher there are many courses relating to physics, nature and animals. If you are



a band or choir teacher, your students will enjoy competing against other schools or perform in the parks. Of course, if you want to reward your kids for a great school year, Orlando will be a great choice for your class trip. Finally, if your seniors want to say goodbye to each other and have something to remember, there are several parks to enjoy a party for the graduating seniors. Orlando is a great place for any student field trip.



IF YOU ARE FOCUSING ON A SPECIAL SUBJECT MATTER, EDUSTAR CAN PROVIDE YOU ON THIS STUDENT TOUR TO ORLANDO WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

SENIOR CELEBRATION

- Disney Grad Night
- Universal Grad Bash

MUSIC

- Disney Performing Arts OnStage
- Festival Disney
- Universal Studios Star Performance Program

WHILE ON THIS AWESOME SCHOOL TOUR OF ORLANDO, YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS MAY SEE:

- Aquatica
- Disney's Animal Kingdom[®]
- Disney's Blizzard Beach Water Park
- Disney's Epcot®
- Disney's Hollywood Studios™
- Disney's Magic Kingdom®
- Disney's Typhoon Lagoon
- Disney's Y.E.S. Program
- Kennedy Space Center
- Sea World
- Universal Studios®
- Universal Studios Orlando Stars Performance Program
- Universal Wet 'n Wild-Orlando



Chicago

Welcome to Chicago, the "Windy City," the country's third largest, and an exciting international city in the Midwest. When traveling to Chicago on your student tour you and your students will have lots to do. Experience great theater, as it is well-known for its theatrical productions and comedy improvisations. If your students



are interested in art, business, architecture and museums, this town is perfect. Of course, tell your kids there are plenty of other things to do, such as the "Navy Pier" and shopping on the "Magnificent Mile."

IF WHILE ON THIS EDUCATIONAL TOUR, YOU ARE FOCUSING ON A SPECIAL SUBJECT MATTER, EDUSTAR CAN PROVIDE YOU AND YOUR GROUP WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

DRAMA

- Drama Workshop
- Show at Comedy Sportz
- Show at Second City
- See a Broadway style show

ARTS

- The Art Institute of Chicago
- Museum of Contemporary Art
- Frank Lloyd Wright Home & Studio
- Museum of Contemporary Photography

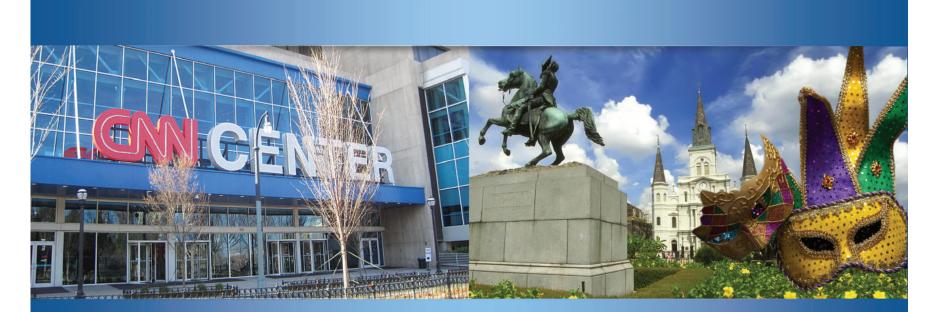
COLLEGE TOURS

- The Northwestern University
- University of Chicago
- Loyola University
- DePaul University



WHILE ON THIS EDUCATIONAL TOUR, YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS MAY SEE:

- Art Institute of Chicago
- Comedy Sportz
- Eli's Cheesecake Company
- Field Museum of Natural History
- Frank Lloyd Wright Home & Studio
- Lincoln Park Zoo
- Millennium Park
- Magnificent Mile
- Mercantile Exchange
- Museum Of Science & Industry
- Navy Pier
- Shedd Aquarium
- Willis Tower



Atlanta



Welcome to Atlanta, the "Capital of the "New South." During the Civil War, Atlanta became the target of a major Union invasion, which became the setting for the famous film "Gone with the Wind." This great city is also part of history as a major organizing center of the US Civil Rights Movement, with Dr. Martin Luther King as one of the leaders in the movement. Today Atlanta is a thriving, cosmopolitan city, both economically and culturally. On your school tour of Atlanta, you will visit the past and present in this city.

New Orleans

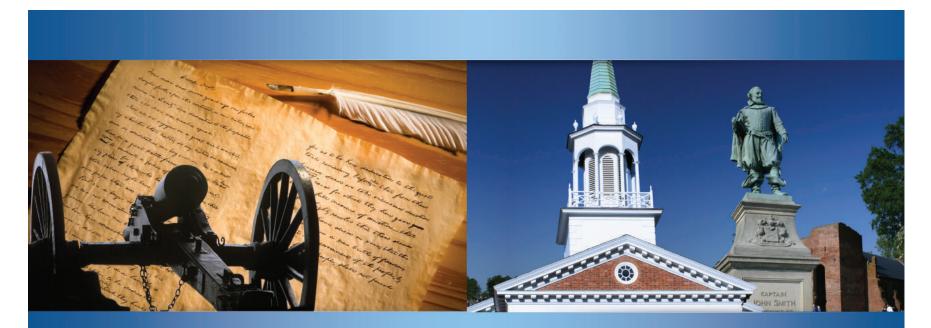
New Orleans, named after Philippe d'Orléans, Duke of Orléans, Regent of France, is well known for its distinct French Creole architecture, culture and cuisine. Many High School and Middle School students enjoy this charming city and its history, jazz and its annual Mardi Gras. This unique city is located in the Mississippi River Delta. While New Orleans had been through Hurricane Katrina in 2005, it is now back in action and ready to host your student tour.

WHILE ON THIS ENLIGHTENING SCHOOL TOUR, YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS MAY SEE:

- Atlanta History Center
- Centennial Olympic Park
- Fernbank Museum of Natural History
- Georgia Aquarium
- Inside CNN Studio Tour
- Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum
- Margaret Mitchell House
- Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site & Sweet Auburn District
- National Center for Civil and Human Rights
- Stone Mountain Park
- World of Coca-Cola
- Zoo Atlanta



- Audubon Zoo
- Aquarium of the Americas
- French Market
- French Quarter
- Houmas House Plantation
- Jackson Square
- Mardi Gras Museum
- National World War II Museum
- Natchez Steamboat
- Old U.S. Mint Jazz Museum
- St. Louis Cathedral
- Swamp Tours
- Ursulines Convent



Gettysburg

Welcome to Gettysburg. While on this historical student tour, you and your group will learn how the Battle of Gettysburg, where thousands died over three days, changed the course of the Civil War. A licensed Battlefield Tour Guide will take you around to many historic sites including, Devil's Den, Little Round Top, and the site of Pickett's Charge. In Gettysburg you must also see where President Abraham Lincoln delivered his most famous Gettysburg Address. While in Gettysburg, you will also have time at the Gettysburg Museum and Visitors Center.

Jamestown / Williamsburg

If you want history, this place has it all. Have your students explore Virginia's "Historic Triangle" of Jamestown, Williamsburg and Yorktown. On this student tour to Jamestown, your group can experience the first permanent English settlement in the United States. Then it's off to Williamsburg that was a part of the dream of American freedom and independence. In Yorktown, you will learn of the Siege of Yorktown. To top it off from this educational tour, you can take your kids to Busch Gardens for a day of fun.



WHILE ON YOUR STUDENT TOUR, YOU AND YOUR KIDS MAY SEE:

- Cyclorama
- Diorama
- Gettysburg Battlefield
- Gettysburg National Cemetery
- Ghost Tour
- Hall of Presidents
- National Civil War Wax Museum
- Underground Railroad Stop

WHILE ON THIS HISTORICAL SCHOOL TRIP, YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS MAY SEE:

- Busch Gardens Williamsburg
- College of William and Mary
- Colonial Williamsburg
- Historic Ghost Walk of Williamsburg
- Jamestown Settlement
- Yorktown Victory Center

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Los Angeles

San Francisco

Nicknamed the "City of Angels," Los Angeles is the most diverse of the largest U.S. cities and is a leading world center for business, entertainment, culture, media, fashion, science, sports, and technology. As a result, L.A. has been ranked as one of the most powerful and influential cities in the world. As the home base of Hollywood, many celebrities call Los Angeles and its surrounding suburbs home. Everyone on your student group tour must keep their eyes open in LA as you never know who you are going to see while in Beverly Hills, Rodeo Drive or Warner Brothers Studios. This beautiful "city by the bay" is a perfect destination for your student trip. In San Francisco, as you view the Golden Gate Bridge and Bay Bridge from the top of the city, you will soon understand how it is one of the world's best natural harbors. As you zigzag your way down Lombard Street, your group will enjoy the Victorian and modern architecture of neighborhoods. You can't come to town without taking a ride on a cable car, the world's last manually operated cable car system. This school trip is not complete, of course, until you visit Fisherman's Wharf and Alcatraz.

WHILE ON YOUR STUDENT GROUP TOUR OF LOS ANGELES, YOU AND YOUR KIDS MAY SEE:

- Autry National Center
- Beverly Hills and Rodeo Drive
- Disneyland[®] Park
- Grauman's Chinese Theatre
- Griffith Observatory
- Hollywood Walk of Fame
- Santa Monica Pier
- The Getty Center
- Universal Studios Hollywood[™]
- Venice Beach Boardwalk
- Warner Brothers Studios



DURING YOUR SCHOOL TRAVEL EXPERIENCE, YOU AND YOUR KIDS MAY SEE:

- Alcatraz
- Aquarium of the Bay
- Cable Cars
- Coit Tower and Murals
- Fisherman's Wharf
- Golden Gate Bridge
- Lombard Street
- Muir Woods National Monument
- Sausalito / Tiburon





Toronto/ Niagara Falls

If you want to take your students on a fabulous educational tour, Niagara Falls and Toronto offer the best of two worlds. While in Niagara Falls, your students will be amazed learning about the three historic Falls. The wet and wild cruise aboard the Maid of the Mist boat is legendary, or you can take an amazing closeup "Journey Behind the Falls." Then, only one hour away, your student group will spend time in Toronto, the provincial capital of Ontario and the largest city in Canada. This great city provides great museums, theatre and art.

Montreal/ Quebec City

Your school trip to Montréal and Québec City combines the best of two great towns. In Montréal, the second largest French-speaking city in the world, you and your students will experience the hustlebustle along with enjoying the view of centuriesold stone buildings. In Québec City, your group will travel throughout Haute-Ville (Upper Town) and Basse-Ville (Lower Town) each with its intimate charm and a European look and feel. In short, there is something here to inspire every member of your group..

WHILE ON THIS GREAT SCHOOL TRIP, YOU AND YOUR STUDENTS MAY SEE:

Niagara Falls

- Bird Kingdom
- Butterfly Conservatory
- Fort George
- Journey Behind the Falls
 Fort York
- Maid of the Mist
- Ontario Science Centre
- Royal Ontario Museum
- Toronto Zoo

- Toronto
- Art Gallery of Ontario
- Casa Loma
- CN Tower
- Hockey Hall of Fame
- Marineland
- Niagara Falls IMAX
- Daredevil Museum
- Skylon Tower **Observation Deck**

Montreal

- Biodome
- Botanical Gardens
- Montreal Tower **Observatorv**
- Mount Roval
- Notre Dame Basilica
- St Joseph's Oratory
- Vieux Montreal
- Sainte Anne De Beaupre

Quebec City

Chateau Frontenac

Montmorency Falls

• Plains of Abraham

• Dufferin Terrace

• Place-Royale

Citadel

• Basse-Ville / Lower Town

Haute-Ville / Upper Town

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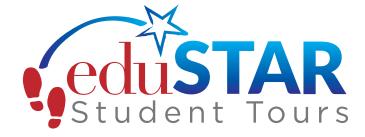


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