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Educational Excursion to Québec City

As an Extension to the French programs at SWO, we are excited to announce the opportunity for grade 7 and 8 students to discover la ville de Québec (Québec City)! Historic Québec City is North America's oldest French settlement and continues to be the center of French culture, tradition and heritage in North America. Students will have the opportunity to explore the rich French culture by participating in traditional French Canadian activities like Carnaval, a tour of the ice hotel and a cabane a sucre. In addition to French Canadian traditional activities, students will have the opportunity to explore Canada's history, music, art and entertainment while visiting the city's attractions such as the copper museum, Old Québec, Montmorency Falls, Valcartier and Musée du Fort.

The excursion is organized by BrightSpark Educational Tour Company who is a trusted operator that has previously organized many trips for HWDSB schools. There are currently 50 spaces available for students, which will be filled on a first come first serve basis. There may be an opportunity to increase the number of participants should there be interest and as a result any applications received after the 50 spaces are filled will be placed on a waiting list. The cost of the excursion will vary slightly depending on the number of students attending but is quoted at \$650 with full occupancy for the 4-day and 3-night excursion. The fee includes transportation, all activities, 2 meals per day, accommodation, supervision and overnight security. The action paced itinerary is attached to this letter for your review.

This trip provides students the occasion to use their french skills in an authentic francophone environment during the whole of the 4-day excursion.

BrightSpark will be holding an information session on **November 28, 2018 at 6:30 in the Learning Commons**. You are invited to join this session at Sir William Osler to learn more about this overnight educational excursion offered to grade 7 and 8 Students at SWO this year.

Should you have any questions about either opportunity, please contact Mlle. Alanna O'Neil at aoneil@hwdsb.on.ca or (905) 628-1588 ex. 206.

Regards,

Alanna O'Neil



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