

Good afternoon families,

In preparation for the upcoming trip to Costa Rica in April, the U Prep Schools International Program has been actively monitoring the coronavirus crisis in partnership with our travel partner, WorldStrides. We have also acquired information from the Center for Disease Control, and the World Health Organization to ensure we make informed decisions in the best interest of our students and the entire school community.

In light of recent developments in Michigan and options afforded to us by WorldStrides, we have decided to postpone the Costa Rica Trip until next year (2021). This was not an easy decision, but ensuring your child's safety and the best options for cancellation or changing travel plans was of the utmost importance.

WorldStrides has been working diligently to provide our families with different options. As mentioned previously, we are postponing the trip until next spring, April 2021. This will come at no additional cost to families. If families choose to forgo this change in travel, the following options are available:

Before September 1st, families may **cancel** with the following penalties:

- No trip protection - \$800 penalty and remaining refunded with method originally paid
- With trip protection - \$600 penalty and remaining refunded with method originally paid

For our four students who are seniors, we realize the unfortunate timing of the crisis and offer the following options:

- Continue with us on the trip, April 2021 at no additional cost
- Receive a voucher for the cost of the trip to use for another one of WorldStrides other [programs](#). (Balance must be covered by family)

We appreciate your flexibility and partnership as we remain committed to keeping your child's safety at the forefront.

Should you have any questions, please email travel@uprepschools.com. Also, please **expect to receive a call from Travel Coordinator, Chris Spencer this evening.**

Sincerely,

Staci L. Williams
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CC: Chris Spencer - Travel Coordinator