

2026 Housatonic Valley International Trips

April - France & England

JULY - Australia & New Zealand

Visit the links below for details, itineraries, and to enroll:

April break - France & England - <https://www.eftours.com/tour-website/2856113NY>

July - Thailand - <https://www.eftours.com/tour-website/2855187JH>

Included:

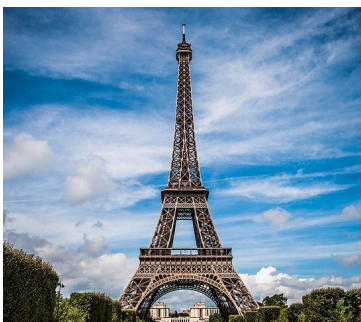
- Flights, private coach bus, trains, hotels, & some meals
- Teachers with experience leading international trips
- Full-time, bilingual Tour Director
- Educational itinerary
- Sightseeing led by licensed local guides
- Entrance fees to attractions
- All-Inclusive coverage plan & 24-hour emergency service



How to sign up:

- Talk to Mr. Lizzi, Mrs. Garcia-Tripp, Mrs. Melino, or Mrs. Tavera
- Talk to your parents/guardians
- Enroll online & select a payment plan
- Apply for passport
- Complete the international travel packet
- Get involved in fundraisers (potential to earn over \$1000)
- Attend travel meetings to prepare for your trip of a lifetime!

Fundraising & scholarship opportunities available!



Fundraisers

September 12, 2025 - Annual Dinner and Auction at the White Hart in Salisbury, CT.

All travelers are encouraged to solicit sponsors, auction items, help set up, clean up, and serve at the dinner in order to receive funds towards their trip. *Students must be enrolled on a 2026 trip and help with event to receive funds.* <https://winedinnerandauction.com/>

November 2025 - Annual appeal letters - work with *Northwest Corner: Students Without Borders* board members to write letters asking for donations.

EF Tours takes you to the places you've learned about in school. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced! When you arrive abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about. When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun!

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Who We Are

The HVRHS International Travel Club is now managed by NWC: Students Without Borders - A group of dedicated Region 1 employees, parents, and community members devoted to providing travel opportunities for students throughout Region One.

Our History

The HVRHS International Travel Club was founded decades ago, but initially, each family was required to cover the full cost of the trip for their child, which proved unaffordable for many. As a result, participation dwindled, and the club was eventually dismantled, bringing an end to the journeys. In 2019, we made the decision to revive the club, focusing on fundraising to make international travel accessible to all students. These trips have since offered valuable opportunities to explore diverse cultures, broaden perspectives, and create lasting memories. We believe that exposure to different cultures nurtures tolerance, empathy, and a global mindset—qualities that are essential in today's interconnected world.



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