



Pre-Program Requirements

Make your health and safety a priority

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SIGN ADVISORY LETTER

All participants are required to sign and upload the Envision by WorldStrides COVID-19 Advisory Letter located on your **MyEnvisionExperience.com** page. The letter emphasizes the importance of all participants being aware of the symptoms related to COVID-19, taking responsibility for monitoring their health, and reporting any symptoms before or during the program. Cooperation with the terms of the Advisory Letter is key to mitigating risk.

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SIGN VENUE-SPECIFIC WAIVER *(If applicable)*

Host venues may require submission of additional COVID-19 waivers. Review documents on your **MyEnvisionExperience.com** page to determine if your program's venue has this requirement.

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JOIN THE PRE-PROGRAM WEBINAR

Approximately 30 days prior to the program's start date, a webinar will be available to all participants. Envision team members will discuss general program information and walk through health and safety protocols and requirements. A recording of the webinar will also be available on your **MyEnvisionExperience.com** page.

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MITIGATE RISK AHEAD OF YOUR PROGRAM

All participants are asked to limit time outside their home for 14 days prior to travel, with the exception of going to school or work or engaging in other essential activities. If they must venture out, they should strictly observe COVID-19 safety protocols (masking, social distancing, and hand washing) and avoid large gatherings and crowded spaces. When traveling to the program, please follow all guidelines and protocols set by your transportation provider.

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UPLOAD A NEGATIVE COVID-19 PCR TEST

A PCR test must be administered 3-5 days prior to the program start date. Test results must be submitted as soon as received and no later than 24 hours prior to the session start date. Be sure to confirm with your testing provider the amount of time needed to get tested and secure the results so that you can plan accordingly and avoid delays in attending the program. Instructions on how to upload your test results will be provided approximately 30 days prior to the program start date.

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LOOK FOR E-MAIL UPDATES

Envision by WorldStrides' health and safety updates and other reminders will be shared at least once a month leading up to the program.

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PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

It is recommended that students bring a personal supply of disposable masks and hand sanitizer. On arrival day students will be provided with the Envision by WorldStrides Safety Kit that will also include daily PPE such as 2 masks/day, and hand sanitizer. On the first day of the program all individuals who are on the program site (including non program participants) are required to wear a mask and maintain physical distance of at least 6ft from others.

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COMPLETE PRE-SESSION HEALTH SCREENING

Students will be asked a series of symptom check questions the day before and on the first day of the program; prior to arriving to registration. We ask that if you are not feeling well, that you stay home. Instructions on how to fill out symptom check questions will be provided approximately 30 days prior to the program start date. Students will also complete daily symptom check questions each day of the program. This information will be collected digitally each day, and it is recommended that students 13 years and older bring a mobile device to submit responses.

Questions? Contact the Office of Admissions at 866-858-5323 or 703-584-9380

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Pod Model Structure

What is the Envision by WorldStrides pod model?

This year, Envision by WorldStrides will be implementing a pod model structure. This requires sub-groups of students, who will regularly interact closely with one another, to remain together for various events in the program schedule. With guidance provided by our Doctors on Call team at The George Washington University, this method has been implemented to minimize exposure and reduce the transmission of infection during a potential outbreak of a contagious disease. Pods will be broken down into various function levels, as outlined below.

ROOMMATE PODS

- Students are assigned to be roomed with 1-3 other students.
- Roommate pods will experience all program components together.
- Students will receive roommate assignments during program registration on arrival day.
- Roommate requests can be submitted on your **MyEnvisionExperience.com** page.

SMALL GROUP PODS

- Within the classroom group, activities may require small group work.
- Roommate pods are prioritized to create small groups.
- If a larger small group is needed (4 or more students), roommate pods will be combined to create the necessary size.
- Students will work in the same small group pods for the duration of the program.

CLASSROOM PODS

- Classroom pods will be composed of multiple roommate and small group pods and will experience most of the program events together.
- Students will receive classroom assignments during program registration on arrival day. Roommate requests will carry over to classroom pod assignments.
- Daily temperature checks and self-screenings will be conducted within each classroom pod.
- For meals, students will eat with roommates and/or small group pods while maintaining physical appropriate distance from other students. Pods may eat in the classroom, dining hall, or outdoors.

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LARGE PROGRAM EVENTS

- During speaking events or simulations that require multiple classroom pods to be in the same space, each classroom pod will sit together while maintaining physical distance of 6-8 ft. from other classroom pods.
- If this pod division cannot be achieved in one large events space, the event may be broadcast or streamed to individual classroom spaces or take place outdoors.

FIELD EXCURSIONS *(WHERE APPLICABLE)*

- Two classroom pods will share a motor coach bus with two empty rows between classroom pods.
- During site visits, students will be either in their roommate pod, small group pod, or classroom pod and be asked to maintain appropriate distance from other pods and the public.
- If eating offsite, students will eat within their roommate pods.

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Responding to Suspected COVID-19 Cases

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QUARANTINE THE STUDENT

In the event a student is experiencing symptoms related to COVID-19, the student will be separated from roommate(s)/others as soon as possible and placed in quarantine in a separate, dedicated space. This may be within the same housing location or a predetermined isolation housing location.

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CONTACT THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN

The student's parent or guardian will be immediately notified of the situation.

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CONTACT A MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL

The program team will contact either the nurse on site or our Doctors on Call team for guidance and instructions on the appropriate next steps. Elementary and middle school programs will have a nurse on-site for each day of the program and high school programs will have a nurse onsite every 3-4 days of the program. General nurse hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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CONDUCT CONTACT TRACING

Based on roommate, classroom, and small group pod assignments, staff will identify anyone who may have been in direct contact with the student. Follow-up will occur with each group to assess if additional individuals may also be experiencing symptoms.

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TESTING

A staff member will escort the student to a medical facility for additional health assessments and COVID-19 testing. The student will remain in quarantine while awaiting test results and will be restricted to their assigned quarantine room. Meals and any other requested accommodations will be brought to the student's sleeping room throughout the quarantine period.

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Post Testing Procedures

POSITIVE TEST

A parent/guardian will be informed of the test results.

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If a student tests positive for Covid-19, they will remain in quarantine and will not return to in-person classes or participate in any activities for the duration of the program

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With direction from a medical professional and permission from a parent or guardian the appropriate over-the-counter or prescription medication will be procured on behalf of the student.

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Roommates and any other persons that have come in contact with the student will also be asked to quarantine and/or may be tested.

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If the length of quarantine or isolation will exceed the length of the program, we will work with families/guardians to determine if the student will isolate or quarantine at home. In the event that the family is unable to arrange “private vehicle” transportation back home, we will work through options to determine the appropriate quarantine or isolation method.

NEGATIVE TEST

A parent/guardian will be informed of the test results.

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Symptoms will continue to be monitored and the student will not return to in-person classes or participate in activities until completely recovered. In some cases, a second COVID-19 test may be recommended.

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Staff will follow guidelines from local health authorities prior to placing a student back with roommates or rejoining program activities, and medical clearance will be sought.

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Staff Health and Safety Protocols

STAFF HEALTH AND SAFETY TRAINING

Staff are required to complete Envision by WorldStrides' health and safety and COVID-19 prevention training.

STAFF ADVISORY LETTER

Staff are required to sign and upload the Envision by WorldStrides COVID-19 Advisory Letter. The letter emphasizes the importance of all staff being aware of COVID-19 symptoms, taking responsibility for monitoring their health, and reporting any COVID-19 symptoms before and during the program.

STAFF TESTING

A PCR test must be administered 3-5 days prior to the program start date and test results must be submitted as soon as received and no later than 24 hours prior to the session start date. Staff will also undergo frequent testing throughout the program session.

STAFF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

Staff are provided with daily PPE, such as masks, gloves, and hand sanitizer. Staff who oversee a class will be assigned to remain with their classroom pods. Support staff who interact with multiple classroom pods will be provided with additional PPE, such as specialized masks, face shields, and gloves.

STAFF PODS

Staff will have limited interaction with students and other individuals who are outside of their classroom pod designation.

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What to Expect During On-Site Registration

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DROP OFF/PARKING/REGISTRATION/PICK UP

Parents and/or guardians may or may not be able to accompany students during registration depending on venue, state, and local health and safety regulations. More information will be communicated in our Pre-Program Webinar or email, as these details will be specific to each program and location.

We anticipate increased wait times and longer lines to allow for proper health and safety protocols, such as sanitation and distancing, and we appreciate your patience.

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ONSITE ACCESSIBILITY LIMITATIONS

If parents and/or guardians are permitted to accompany students during registration, depending on venue, state, and local requirements, they may or may not be able to accompany the students in the residence hall or student sleeping room spaces. This information will be communicated in our Pre-Program Webinar or email.

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MASK AND SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS

All individuals who are on the program site (including non-program participants) are required to wear a mask and maintain physical distance of at least 6ft from others. Refusal to comply will result in individuals being asked to remove themselves from the premises immediately, and security will be contacted if necessary.

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SAFETY KITS

At registration, each student will receive two (2) disposable masks/day, personal hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes, lanyard with clip for mask, and a safety card. Students will need to wear a personal mask to registration to receive their Envision by WorldStrides safety kit. Participants should still plan to pack additional PPE including masks and hand sanitizer.

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