

NEW YORK CITY

4 Days | Drama-Focused Student Tour

BrightsparkSM



TOUR SNAPSHOT

On this 4-day New York City student trip, your theatre and performance class will work with Broadway professionals, watch performances on the world's most iconic stages, and be inspired for a lifetime! Enjoy an insider's look into the exclusive television archives at Paley Center for Media, and a special workshop about the role of television and radio today. Join theatre professionals in a private workshop to help students make bold and creative acting choices. Spend an afternoon on THE RIDE—a performance tour where the streets of New York turn into a live stage. And your trip would not be complete without a world-class theatrical performance. Your students will also explore the city, making stops at Central Park, Times Square, the Brooklyn Bridge, Staten Island, Rockefeller Center and more!

WHATS INCLUDED:



Sites & Activities:

Times Square, Central Park, Paley Center for Media, The RIDE, Rockefeller Center, 5th Avenue, Top of the Rock, Staten Island, Brooklyn Bridge Walk, 9/11 Memorial, Making a Scene Workshop, Broadway Show



**Your Brightspark
Tour Leader**



Accommodations
3 Nights Hotel



Transportation
Private Motor Coach



Meals
3 Breakfasts





WHY BRIGHTSPARK?

PUTTING YOUR EXPERIENCE FIRST

- **Our Tour Leaders Make All The Difference** - They are experts in fun and are equipped with educational content and interactive games that keep your students engaged. Extensively trained and masters in logistics, they deal with all the details to ensure a stress-free class trip!
- **Always Something Fresh** - Brightspark Exclusive activities encourage participation through experiential education. Whether it's a Mystery Heist in Ottawa or Escaping the Port in Montreal, these activities add a WOW factor to your tour.
- **The Best Support** - Our team is with you every step of the way from itinerary planning, to board paperwork, online payment collection and 24/7 on-tour assistance. We are dedicated to making the planning process simple and easy.
- **Go. Discover. Inspire.** - You are not a tourist but a traveller; we will expose you and your students to the soul of the destination and ignite your sense of wonder.

EXPERTS IN STUDENT TRAVEL

With 40+ years of travel experience, exceptional supplier relationships, and an impeccable safety record, you can rest assured your tour will be sparktacular!

95%
OF TEACHERS
LOVE OUR
TOURS

40+
YEARS OF
TRAVEL
EXPERIENCE

33K+
PASSENGERS
TRAVELLED
LAST YEAR



WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED

THE BEST INSURANCE

Feel safe with the knowledge that your students are fully protected with cancellation insurance provided by Travel Guard- which includes school board cancellation for **ANY REASON**.



"Overall experience from start to finish was fantastic. The kids had a great time and will have memories that will last a lifetime/our tour leaders, Phillipe & Adrielle went above and beyond getting to know the students and helping us with special requests. Thank you for everything!"

Gatestone Staff & Students, HWDSB

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DAY 1

6:30 AM: Board the motor coach (washroom-equipped & climate-controlled) and depart for New York City.

9:00 AM: **Border Crossing.** Make sure your passport and any other important documents are in a safe and accessible place for border agents.

6:30 PM: **Hotel check-in.**

8:30 PM: **Times Square.** Head to the heart of the Great White Way and be amazed by the bright lights and massive screens. Join the crowds on the famous Red Stairs and get caught up in the excitement as you wander through the square.

11:00 PM: **Night Security** each evening between 11 PM and 6 AM.

DAY 2

8:45 AM: **Breakfast**

10:30 AM: **Workshop at the Paley Center for Media.** Paley Center Educators lead sessions on a wide range of subjects such as advertising, the documentary form, and the civil rights movement to build analytical thinking, viewing, and listening skills and provide insight into the roles television and radio play in our culture.

12:30 PM: **Lunch**

3:00 PM: **THE RIDE.** Groups experience the surprise of improv comedy, the songs and voices of Broadway, the facts of a city sights tour, and the memory of a lifetime in this theatrical show and immersive tour.

5:00 PM: **Explore Central Park.** Central Park, the first landscaped public park in the United States, is one of the urban wonders of the world and a green oasis in the great concrete, high-rise landscape of New York City.

6:30 PM: **Rockefeller Center and 5th Avenue.** Visit New York's most famous street to shop and browse along 5th Avenue and Rockefeller Center. Dinner at your own cost in the area.

8:30 PM: **Visit Top of the Rock.** Experience unparalleled views of New York City from the Observation Deck on the 70th floor of 30 Rockefeller Plaza, in the heart of midtown Manhattan.

DAY 3

8:45 AM: **Breakfast**

9:30 AM: Board your motor coach and depart for your next activity.

10:30 AM: **Staten Island Ferry.** Travel between Whitehall Street in lower Manhattan on a gorgeous 25-minute ferry ride. Marvel at the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island and get a photo of the skyscrapers that make up the New York skyline.

11:45 AM: **Brooklyn Bridge Walk.** Marvel at this engineering masterpiece and experience great views of Manhattan.

12:30 AM: **Visit the 9/11 Memorial.** "Reflecting Absence" are twin reflecting pools that sit within the footprints of the towers. Your students will learn about the events of this day and will pay respects to the nearly 3,000 people who died in the terror attacks on September 11, 2001 and the six people killed during the bombing in February 1993.

1:30 PM: **Lunch**

3:30 PM: **Making a Scene.** Work with professional actors or teachings artists on acting techniques and character development to build bold and creative acting choices.

5:30 PM: **Times Square.** Head to the heart of NYC for dinner and time to explore!

8:00 PM: **Watch a Broadway Show.** Explore a whole new world, discover what came before the yellow brick road or sing along with your favourite meerkat and warthog duo. Theatre tickets are subject to schedule and availability.

DAY 4

8:45 AM: **Breakfast**

9:30 AM: **Hotel check-out**

10:00 PM: **Welcome home!**

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