

EDUCATORS' GUIDE TO PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

All WorldStrides programs are designed to enhance curriculum and instruction for educators. This document highlights the standards we follow and the high educational goals we set for our programs. Our unique approach to education is recognized through our accreditation as a supplemental school by the Northwest Association of Accredited Schools. We believe that, together, we make a world of difference through hands-on learning for students and teachers.

The Foundation of a WorldStrides Program

S SUBJECTS	Program leaders will develop a deeper knowledge about the subjects they teach. They will be able to make connections with other subjects within the curriculum and learn new techniques for instructing students within the subject.
S SKILLS	Program leaders will be responsible for managing and monitoring student learning. They will learn new tools within a new instructional setting to enhance their teaching practice. A variety of assessment techniques will be developed.
A ATTITUDES	Program leaders will be encouraged to develop a holistic view of learning that respects and treats students fairly. They understand their role as models of education leadership and find ways to work with parents and engage in the community.
A ACTIVITIES	Program leaders will participate in a variety of activities to incorporate into their classrooms. They will examine their own practice as they deepen their knowledge about the subject and methodology within their class.

SUBJECTS: Knowing what to teach

History	Program leaders will study key events in American and world history. They will study history from a cultural, economic, intellectual, political and social perspective.
Science	Program leaders will study biology, chemistry, physics, and ecology. They will see the connections and interrelatedness between all of these subjects.
Music & Performance	Program leaders will study theory, history, and applied music techniques for instrumental, choral, or general music. They will learn new musical scores concentrated in classical or jazz techniques.
English/Literature	Program leaders will study literature and language through various genres, such as poetry, short stories, narratives, and novels. They will integrate other subject areas into the learning.
Theater/Drama	Program leaders will study acting techniques and theater production. They will study the history behind theatrical venues and the business of producing a show.

SKILLS: Knowing how to be a teacher

Classroom Management	Program leaders will develop tools to help them manage students outside the traditional classroom setting.
Assessment	Program leaders will learn new techniques to assess the progress of individuals or whole class and gain understanding of successful methods of preparing students for subject-specific assessments.
Instructional Methodology	Program leaders will understand how students learn and develop new skills to find connections within their curriculum. They will learn to use a variety of instructional settings to meet the needs of <i>all</i> students.
Communication	Program leaders will work collaboratively with others in the education profession and find new ways to work with parents. They will engage in the local, national, or international community.
Inquiry	Program leaders will develop new ways to help students deepen their critical thinking capacities.

ATTITUDES: Knowing how to be a leader

Respect	Program leaders will develop respect and responsibility to students outside the classroom setting.
Reflection	Program leaders will think systematically about their practice and learn from experience.
Curiosity	Program leaders will be stimulated to inquire, thus fostering the spirit of discovery and excitement in teaching.
Cooperation	Program leaders will be encouraged to understand diversity, flexibility, and sensitivity of other people and events.
Confidence	Program leaders will develop as a role model and gain a sense of independence within their educational practice.

A WorldStrides program encourages teachers to **engage** in their own critical thinking about curriculum development and instruction. From the initial stages of planning for a trip, working with Course Leaders on-trip, and assessing student progress after a trip, teachers develop their own learning. It is **critical examination** and **reflective thinking** that will lead educators to responsible action, cultural awareness, and self-identity in their professional development.

Site / Location	SUBJECTS					ACTIVITIES	POINTS EARNED		
	History	Science	Music & Performance	English & Literature	Theater		WorldStrides Curriculum Activities	Full day of instruction (6 or more hours)	Partial day of instruction (5 or fewer hours)
Boston	X			X		<i>Boston Common, Granary Burial Ground, Meeting House, Faneuil Hall, Paul Revere House, Bunker Hill, Lexington, Concord, Salem, and Plymouth.</i>	6	3	0
Philadelphia	X			X		National Constitution Center, Independence Hall, Franklin Court, Liberty Bell, Betsy Ross House, U.S. Mint, Franklin Institute, Edgar Allen Poe House, Old City Hall	6	3	0
Costa Rica		X				Arenal Observatory Lodge, Volcano National Park, Volcanic Springs, INBioparque, Monteverde Butterfly Garden, Frog Pond, Sarapiquí River, Tirimbina Rainforest	8	4	0
Amish Country	X					<i>Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Amish farm and family, Rachel's Amish Home</i>	6	3	0
Washington, DC	X		X	X		<i>All monuments and memorials, museums, Smithsonian museums, Capital and Court buildings, Kennedy Center, Archives and other national buildings.</i>	6	3	0
New York	X		X		X	<i>Museums, Wall Street, bridges, parks, neighborhoods, Ellis Island, Lincoln Center, Broadway, United Nations, Times Square, churches</i>	6	3	0
Florida		X				<i>Swim with dolphins, Kennedy Space Center, Everglades, Keys, Epcot, Sea World, Safari Todd, Myakka and Rainbow River, snorkel with manatees</i>	8	4	0
California	X			X		<i>Sacramento, Sutter's Fort, panning for gold, Discovery Mountain, Alcatraz, Exploratorium, Pier 39, cable cars, Railroad Museum, Schoolhouse Museum</i>	6	3	0
Hawaii		X				<i>Akaka Falls State Park, Kahalu'u Beach Park, Kealakekua Bay, Kona-Kohala Coastline, Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, Natural Energy Lab, Pu'uhonua Park</i>	8	4	0
Williamsburg	X					<i>Historic Triangle: Williamsburg, Yorktown, and Jamestown</i>	6	3	0
Charlottesville	X			X		<i>Charlottesville, Virginia. Monticello, Michie-Tavern, University of Virginia</i>	6	3	0
Gettysburg	X			X		<i>Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Gettysburg Battlefield, Gettysburg Museum of Civil War, electric map presentation, Gettysburg National Cemetery</i>	6	3	0
Baltimore	X			X		<i>Baltimore, Maryland. National Aquarium, Fort McHenry, Baltimore Inner Harbor</i>	6	3	0
Harper's Ferry	X			X		<i>Harper's Ferry, West Virginia. John Brown's Fort, historic Harper's Ferry, Shenandoah and Potomac Rivers and Mountain valleys</i>	6	3	0
Valley Forge	X			X		<i>Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. Valley Forge National Historical Park, Grand Parade, Valley Forge Historical Society Museum, National Memorial Arch</i>	6	3	0
Paris	X		X	X	X	Paris, France. Marais district, Montmartre Village, Sacre Coeur Church, Notre Dame, Musee d'Orsay, Seine River, Eiffel Tower, Louvre, Versailles, Normandy	8	4	0
London	X		X	X	X	St. Pauls Cathedral, Tower of London, Tower Bridge, Oxford, Westminster, Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square, British Museum, West End theater, Globe	8	4	0
Spain	X		X	X		<i>Madrid and Barcelona. Medieval City, Royal Palace, Puerta Del Sol, El Prado, Parque del Retiro, Reina Sofia Museum, Monasterio Escorial, Barri Gothic, Brava</i>	8	4	0
Rome	X			X	X	Vatican, Colosseum, Palatine, St. Peter's Basilica, Trevi Fountain, Piazza Navona, Campo de Fiori, Villa Borghese, Ancient Baths of Caracalla, Appian Way, Florence,	8	4	0
Scotland	X				X	Old Town, Georgian New Town, Edinburgh Castle, Royal Mile, Palace of Holyroodhouse, St. Giles Cathedral, Princes Street, festival city	8	4	0
Heritage Festivals			X	X		All Domestic Heritage Festivals, Scotland, United Kingdom, Italy, Canada, Austria, Australia, France, Netherlands, Spain	20 points total		
Special Festivals			X	X		Festivals of Gold, Children's Choir Festivals, Thomas Jefferson Festival, International festivals and performing tours	25 points total		
Classic Festivals			X	X		Annapolis, Atlanta, Boston, Charleston, Chicago, Cleveland, Lake Erie, Memphis, Myrtle Beach, NYC, Orlando, Philadelphia, West Point, Canada	20 points total		
Bowl Games of America			X			Hawaii Bowl, Gator Bowl, Sugar Bowl, Liberty Bowl, Music City Bowl, Holiday Bowl, Alamo Bowl, Emerald Bowl, various Parades	20 points total		