

Parent Proposal for TFS 5th Grade Trip

A. Background

- For several years, TFS has fostered a strong relationship with École Jeannine Manuel (ÉJM) in Paris.
- ÉJM is a very highly regarded and diverse non-profit coeducational independent school in France:

<http://www.ecolejeanninemanuel.org/en/about-school.html>

- TFS hosted 23 ÉJM students in April of 2016, and in turn ÉJM hosted 25 TFS students in May of 2016.
- The schools and host families have developed strong bonds.
- Historically, about 2/3 of the 5th grade students have gone on the trip.

B. Proposal

The TFS 5th Grade Parents would like TFS to continue to participate in the exchange program.

- Under this proposal, TFS agrees to host ÉJM students for ten total days (approximately eight school days) in Spring 2017 during a mutually agreeable timeframe. This timeframe will avoid Missouri state standardized testing windows.
- It is our understanding that TFS has capacity to host approximately ten ÉJM students. If TFS discovers increased capacity, TFS will inform the parents and make the appropriate classroom accommodations.
- SLLIS' existing insurance liability policy will cover the ÉJM students while they are on school property.
- TFS will assist in developing a school-day classroom schedule for the visiting ÉJM students.
- TFS will assist in communications for the purpose of fostering and maintaining the exchange program with ÉJM.
- There shall be no financial commitment from SLLIS.
- For the ÉJM visiting students, the 5th Grade Parents will be responsible for:
 - Finding host families and arranging for and doing home visits.
 - All financial commitments.
 - Working with any exchange facilitator company (such as Language and Friendship, which includes insurance coverage for the students, such as when not on school property).
- The 5th Grade Parents will host a trip to ÉJM in June of 2017, after the end of the TFS school year.
- This will be a Parent-Sponsored trip, with the parents handling all fundraising.
- Parents will continue to handle all fundraising for this initiative. All fundraising shall occur off of SLLIS grounds.