

International Educational Trip to Georgia and Armenia, 22nd – 27th March 2025

Dear Parents,

I am thrilled to announce an upcoming international educational **5 Nights/ 6 Days trip to Georgia and Armenia** from **22nd March to 27th March 2025** for students of **Grades 7, 8 and 9**. The cost of this optional trip is **AED 6,800/-** per student. Please note that the schedule mentioned is subject to approval from the Knowledge of Human and Development Authority (KHDA).

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Travel to
GEORGIA & ARMENIA!
22-27 March 2025

AED 6,800
PER PAX

ENGAGING
HIGHLIGHTS:

PAYMENT PLAN:

| PAYMENT DUE DATE | COST |
|------------------|------------|
| 10TH OCT 2024 | AED 3400/- |
| 10TH DEC 2024 | AED 3400/- |

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Our trip to Georgia and Armenia promises to be an enriching and educational experience, featuring a well-planned itinerary, health and safety precautions, payment details, visa requirements, hotel accommodations, and food arrangements. Please read this circular carefully to ensure that you are fully informed and prepared for this exciting trip.

This video provides a summary of the proposed itinerary; however, there may be slight variations depending on circumstances – [GLS Georgia and Armenia Educational Trip 2025](#).

Kindly make a note of the following details:

- **Educational Visits**

We have organized a series of educational site visits in Georgia, aimed at enhancing your knowledge and providing you with a memorable learning experience. This is the proposed and tentative [Itinerary](#).

- **Payment Schedule and Reservation**

If you wish to send your child on this trip, please follow the step-by-step online payment guide provided at the end of this circular. For any assistance with the payment process, don't hesitate to contact the class teacher or Supervisor.

| <u>Payment Terms</u> | Payment Amount due on or before | Amount per student (AED) |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Payment 1 | 10 October 2024 | AED 3400 |
| Payment 2 | 10 December 2024 | AED 3400 |

CANCELLATION POLICY

| Period before departure within which written notice has been received of cancellation | Amount of cancellation charge shown as % of the total tour price |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Cancellation 90 days or more before departure | 25% + applicable taxes |
| Cancellation 89 to 46 days before departure | 50% + applicable taxes |
| Cancellation 45 - 31 days before departure | 75% + applicable taxes |
| Cancellation 30 days or less from departure | No refund |

Cancellation by Compass

We reserve the right to terminate any part of your event if for any reason your safety is threatened, including but not limited to adverse weather conditions. If this occurs we will endeavor to make every effort to reschedule the event for another date. Please be aware we're not obliged to give any refunds in cases of adverse weather conditions. Refunds will not apply in the following circumstances; war or threat of war, riots, strikes, hostilities, civil unrest, terrorism, industrial disputes, terrorist acts, natural or nuclear disaster, fire, technical problems or force majeure.

With the travel date approaching, immediate payment of the first installment is required, as the purchase of flight tickets depends on receiving payments by the specified deadline. Missing the payment deadline could impact the overall cost of the trip and potentially alter the travel dates.

- **Orientation**

There will be an orientation for parents of students who have made the full payment in January 2025.

- **Expectations**

It is essential to understand that this is a group activity organized exclusively for the school, and certain rules are in place to ensure the safety and well-being of all students. Students will not be allowed to go out in the evenings alone or unsupervised, and violations of school or safety rules may result in sanction as per the GLS Behaviour Policy being applied.

- **Visas**

Georgia and Armenia are visa on arrival countries and there is no cost attached to the visa as of 01st October 2024. However, this is subject to consular discretion and may change closer to the departure date.

- **Hotel Reservations**

Comfortable and convenient 4-star accommodation will be arranged for the duration of the stay in Georgia and Armenia on a triple-sharing basis. Students will share rooms with two or three students, and preferences will be considered where possible.

- **Food Arrangements**

Meals will be provided for students throughout their stay in Georgia and Armenia. Please notify us in advance of any special dietary needs or allergies, so we can make the necessary arrangements. Once payments are finalized, a separate form will be sent to gather this information. The trip cost includes all meals, so your child will only need extra money for snacks, treats, or souvenirs. Additionally, all transportation within Georgia and Armenia is covered in the trip fee. One teacher or supervisor will accompany every group of 10 students on the trip.

- **Additional Requirements**

A complete list required for the travel will be provided to students who have confirmed their interest.

Please find below list of documents that are mandatory:

- Passport with 6 months validity
- Original Emirates ID with 6 months validity
- A valid residency visa with 6 months validity
- Flight itinerary & hotel bookings (to be provided by Compass Int'l)
- Detailed itinerary (to be provided by Compass Int'l)
- Travel Insurance (to be provided by Compass Int'l)
- NOC letter from school

Kindly complete the appended consent form, ensuring it is filled out and signed by a parent, and return it to the class teacher along with the payment of the first instalment, which can be made via the parent portal by 10th October 2024. Please find appended the steps for payment. This will allow us to confirm accurate numbers and secure consent for each student attending the trip. The portal for the 2nd instalment will open on 1st November 2024.

We are excited to embark on this educational journey to Georgia and Armenia with all of you and look forward to creating unforgettable memories together!

Warm regards,



Asha Alexander

Principal

Executive Leader - Climate Change

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Parent Consent Form

Received circular dated 4th October 2024 regarding the International Educational Field Trip to Georgia and Armenia.

Student's Full Name: _____

Grade and Section: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Passport Number: _____

Expiry Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Full Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Consent:

I, the undersigned, confirm that:

I permit my child, _____, to participate in the international educational trip to Georgia and Armenia.

I understand that the school will take all necessary precautions to ensure the safety of my child, but I acknowledge the inherent risks involved in international travel and agree not to hold the school or staff responsible for any unforeseen incidents.

I authorize the school staff to make any emergency medical decisions for my child if I cannot be reached in case of an emergency during the trip.

I understand that all travel arrangements, including meals and transportation, will be provided as part of the trip, and I agree to the specified payment schedule for this trip.

I commit to adhering to the payment deadlines and submission of necessary documents.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Name (Printed): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

The steps for the payment pathway for (International Educational Trip to Georgia and Armenia-1st Installment)

How to register & pay for an activity online?

Step 1: Log in to GEMS Parent Portal with parent login credentials ([Click here to log in](#)).

Step 2: Click on **Activities** under Quick Links or click on the **Activities** tab on the left Navigation menu



Step 3: To register your ward, select (International Educational Trip to Georgia and Armenia-1st Installment)

Step 4: Select 'Enroll'

Step 5: Click 'Send Request'

Step 6: To make a payment, Click **Proceed to Pay** and 'Confirm & proceed' to complete.

