



Dominican Republic Service Trip: April 3-11, 2020

Mission

The Dominican Republic Service Trip is open to TKA juniors and seniors. We will be partnering with the Manny Mota Foundation, an organization dedicated to serving the local community of El Tamarindo, specifically focusing on their youth. Our team will minister to the spiritual and emotional needs of these children through various planned games, activities, and crafts. We will also minister to two local private Christian schools by putting on a program that highlights a biblical message.

Goals

The goal for this trip would be for our TKA students to learn how to love without boundaries. We want our students to develop a deeper appreciation for the blessings God has given them and learn how they can use their skills and talents to love on one another, both Dominican and in their community.

Itinerary

April 3	Travel to Santa Domingo, Dominican Republic
April 5-10	Manny Mota Foundation: aid in the daily lunch program, create sports programs, partner with two local schools, facility repairs, activities, community work
April 11	Return to San Francisco

Accommodations/Food

We will be housed at a hotel approximately 45 minutes from the Mota foundation and Coral Costa Caribe in Juan Dolio. Each hotel room accommodates up to three people. Breakfast and dinner will be provided by the hotel and lunch will be served on the Mota campus.

Cost - \$2,100

The cost for this trip covers airfare to the Dominican and back, lodging, transportation, meals, visa, and ministry costs. Students will have to cover the additional cost of meals at airports and personal spending money.

Application Process- Student's Part

To apply, please submit the 2020 Service Trip Online Application. The 2020 Service Trip Application is for current full-time students only. The link to this application will be posted on the Student Portal under the "Alerts" section in the upper-right corner. Applications will only be accepted during the following time frame: Thursday, August 29, 3:00 p.m. through Wednesday, September 4, 12:30 p.m. (Note: The application will no longer be available after 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 4).

Application Process- Parent's Part

In order for the student's application to be accepted, parents must read and agree to TKA's Service Trip Financial Policies. A link to these policies will be sent to parents when the application is submitted; parents must review these policies and submit agreement through the link provided by Wednesday, September 4, 10:00 p.m.



Selection Process

The team will consist of 20 students plus 4 adult chaperones. After applications are submitted, participants will be interviewed and selected based on the following trip-specific criteria:

- Heart for missions and a love for children
- Willingness to participate in sports/physical activities
- Cross-cultural sensitivity
- Servant's attitude and flexibility
- Willingness to build relationships despite a potential language barrier
- Wise discernment that reflects Christ-like character
- Speaks Spanish and previous service experience is a bonus, but not required.

Ministry carries on in heat and humidity, heavy rains and pervasive insects. Applicants must be open to being challenged and stretched outside of their comfort zone while maintaining a positive attitude. For the Dominican Service Trip, priority will not automatically be given based on grade level. All students will be notified by September 30, 2019.

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