

# JUNIORS' PROGRAM BOSTON



# Juniors' Programme

The LSI Boston Juniors' Program offers an excellent opportunity for students to develop their English skills, make new friends from around the world, and explore this historic American city. The Juniors' Program includes English language course tuition, full board accommodation in a shared room, and an exciting social program with regular excursions and fun activities.

## What's included?

- Initial placement test & orientation
- English Course Monday to Friday (20 x 50 minute lessons per week)
- Course materials
- Full board accommodation in twin room homestay
- Guided activity program
  - 5 morning or afternoon activities per week Monday to Friday
  - 1 full-day Saturday excursion per week
- End of course certificate

## Dates Available

### Summer 2020

The program will run every Monday from 29<sup>th</sup> June to 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020 (course ends 7<sup>th</sup> August 2020).

- 29th June 2020
- 6th July 2020
- 13th July 2020
- 20th July 2020
- 27th July 2020
- 3rd August 2020

**NB: LSI Boston can arrange juniors programs for closed groups on request, throughout the year. Please contact the school for a quote based on your specific requirements.**

\*Where a public holiday falls on a Monday, the course will start on the Tuesday.

## General Information

<b>Ages</b>	12–17 years old*
<b>English levels</b>	Elementary to Advanced
<b>Arrival day</b>	Sunday
<b>Departure day</b>	Saturday
<b>Last departures</b>	Saturday
<b>Minimum stay</b>	1 week
<b>Suggested stay</b>	1–4 weeks
<b>Travel time from airport/station</b>	Approximately 45 – 60 minutes
<b>Transfer service</b>	Transfer shuttles from the Boston Logan Airport are available upon request.
<b>Travelling to school</b>	LSI homestays are within a 45-65 minute commute by public transportation to the school. This is average for the city of Boston. Two students will be placed in each of our families so that they can travel together. Upon arrival, the host family will provide full instructions on how to reach the school.
<b>Travelling to activities</b>	Students travel to activities via subway or bus.

\*16 & 17 year olds: These students have the choice of joining our Juniors' Program or one of our adult programs. The Juniors' Program is a more structured program and we require full participation unless parental consent is given to miss any activity. We understand that some 16 -17 year olds prefer a little more independence, so we suggest that the student and parent discuss which option would be most suitable for them.

\*12 year olds are only accepted in a chaperoned group or if accompanied by their parents.

## Meals – Homestay

<b>Breakfast</b>	A typical breakfast includes: toast, cereal, coffee or tea
<b>Lunch</b>	Students will receive a packed lunch e.g. sandwich, chips, fruit, and a drink
<b>Dinner</b>	Students will receive a cooked meal e.g. pasta, meat, vegetables, salad
<b>Dietary requirements</b>	Students must advise LSI at the time of booking of any particular dietary requirements.

## Medical History

LSI **MUST** BE NOTIFIED OF ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS, ALLERGIES OR MEDICATION THAT NEEDS TO BE TAKEN BY THE STUDENT.

<b>Insurance</b>	Students must travel with appropriate travel and medical insurance. They have the option either to provide proof of their own policy on arrival or to purchase insurance through LSI for US \$25/week.
<b>Doctor visits</b>	If a student needs to visit a doctor, LSI will help arrange an appointment for them.

## Accommodation – Homestay

<b>Room type</b>	Twin room (students are placed in a twin room when possible with another student of the Juniors' program).
<b>Bathrooms</b>	Shared bathroom
<b>Board status</b>	Full board accommodation (breakfast, packed lunch, dinner)
<b>Rooms include</b>	A bed, desk or table, storage space for clothes
<b>Bed linen / Towels</b>	All are provided
<b>Laundry</b>	Facilities available either on site or via local laundromat, depending on the homestay. Students will need to purchase their own detergent.

## Other

<b>Curfew</b>	To ensure student welfare there is a curfew of 10:00pm every night unless the students are on a supervised LSI activity or the student's parents have specified an earlier time.
<b>Internet</b>	The school has computers which students can use in addition to Wi-Fi. Internet is available at all homestays.
<b>Telephone</b>	Available at some homestays. Students will need to purchase a calling card for long-distance phone calls.
<b>Valuables</b>	Any valuables (i.e. passports and plane tickets,) can be given to LSI staff on the first day if desired. All valuables will be kept securely locked until the student requests them. If the student plans to keep his/her valuables with him/her, we recommend using a luggage lock.
<b>Group Leaders</b>	Group leaders are accommodated on a single room basis, unless otherwise stated.
<b>Special Requests</b>	LSI will endeavor to allow for all special requests

## The Programme

<b>First Day</b>	On the first morning, students should arrive at the school at 8.15am. They will have a written test and an interview to determine their level of English. Students will also receive an introduction explaining the school program, rules and all the vital information they will need during their stay.
<b>English lessons</b>	Classes are held from <b>9:10am–12:50pm</b> from Monday to Friday. Students are placed into international classes according to their levels. Students will study: grammar, vocabulary, "everyday English," conversation skills, pronunciation, reading and writing. If students have any problems with their classes they can speak with their Teacher or Program Coordinator who are happy to help support students in their studies.
<b>Class size</b>	There is a maximum of 16 students per class.
<b>Class materials</b>	Students need to bring their own notebook/paper and pen. They will be provided with text books and learning materials on a loan basis.
<b>Activities</b>	Students go on morning or afternoon activities each day (Monday to Friday). Activities vary depending on the weather and student numbers (please see the timetable below for some examples). There is also a full day Saturday excursion each week.
<b>Attendance</b>	Students are expected to attend all classes and activities unless they are unwell.
<b>LSI Certificate</b>	On completion of the course, students will be presented with an LSI Certificate.

## Sample Timetable

Activities subject to change - this is an example only:

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Arrival or free day	Welcome and placement test	Integrated skills/Project Work				Full day guided walking tour: The Freedom Trail
	Break Time					
	Induction and first lesson	Integrated skills/Project Work				
	Lunch					
	Harvard University Tour	Boston Tea Party Ships and Museum	Games and sports afternoon	Shopping on Newbury Street	Quincy Market / Faneuil Hall	
	Dinner with Homestays Hosts					

\*The scheduling of lessons and activities may vary. For an up-to-date schedule check with the school when booking.

## Student Welfare & Program Rules

- If students are unhappy with any part of their Junior Program experience we encourage them to speak to an LSI staff member as soon as possible, so we can address any concerns they may have.
- Students are not permitted to smoke, take drugs, or drink alcohol.

### Rules for Accommodation

- Respect others at all times. This includes keeping your noise level to a minimum and respecting others' property in school, on activities, and in the homestay
- Do not leave the school or homestay at any time without a chaperone.
- Please respect the curfew.
- This rule list is just a sample and is not all-inclusive. Please respect and obey all other LSI rules and US laws. Host families have individual rules that will be explained to the students upon arrival.

### Further course information

- In class, we will focus primarily on your speaking, listening, vocabulary and pronunciation skills (there will be some grammar, reading and writing as well). Most of your lessons will have a Boston or USA theme.
- Please be on time for everything! You will want to do and see as much as possible while you are here.
- **Excursions:** LSI's activities will run rain or shine. Students should bring appropriate clothing! They can look at the weather and ask teachers, staff, and the host family for help. We recommend that students pack a waterproof jacket, umbrella, sunglasses, and sunscreen. It is very important for students to bring comfortable shoes, because they will be walking a lot!
- **Identification card:** Your LSI Boston ID card has emergency contact information. The card may also include important medical information that doctors need to know. Keep this in your wallet or bag at all times. If you lose this, don't be afraid to ask us for a new one.
- If you are facing an emergency situation, you should try to stay calm, speak in English, and explain the problem. You should show someone your student ID so that person can contact the school.
- You are not allowed to buy, possess or drink alcohol at any point in your stay here. The age to buy and drink alcohol in the USA is 21 and it is taken very seriously by shop-keepers and the police.
- The legal age to buy cigarettes in the USA is 18.
- We have a zero tolerance attitude towards drugs and other breaches of the law. Any student found using drugs, stealing, deliberately hurting another person (physically or psychologically) or deliberately damaging private property may be sent home at their parent/guardian's expense.