

# JUNIORS' PROGRAM SAN DIEGO



# Juniors' Programme

The LSI San Diego Junior Program offers an excellent opportunity for students to develop their English skills, make new friends from around the world and explore this Southern California city. It is guaranteed to be an experience they will never forget! The course is based at our Junior Center at our downtown LSI San Diego School. Younger students (7-12 years) may also study at the school with their parents and siblings in the Summer and Winter Family Program. The Junior Program includes English Language Course tuition, full board accommodation in a twin room and an exciting social program with regular excursions and fun activities. Students will get the chance to practice their English with people from around the world.

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## 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
  - 4 morning or afternoon activities per week Tuesday to Friday
  - 1-full day Saturday excursion per week
- End of course certificate

## Dates Available

### Winter 2020

The program will run from 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 to 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020. The program ends 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

- 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020
- 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020
- 20<sup>th</sup> January 2020
- 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020
- 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020
- 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020

### 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.

- 29<sup>th</sup> June 2020
- 6<sup>th</sup> July 2020
- 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020
- 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020
- 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020
- 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020

### Winter 2021

The program will run from 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 to 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021. The program ends 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

- 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021
- 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021
- 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021
- 25<sup>th</sup> January 2021
- 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021

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

**\*12 years old are accepted in LSI San Diego only if accompanied by a legal guardian or with a group**

\*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>Minimum stay</b>	1 week
<b>Suggested stay</b>	1–4 weeks
<b>Travel time from airport/station</b>	San Diego International Airport: Approximately 20 minutes
<b>Transfer service</b>	We suggest that the student books an LSI taxi to ensure their safe transfer to their accommodation. This way an LSI representative will be waiting for the student in the arrivals area holding an LSI sign with their name.
<b>Travelling to school</b>	Our host families are an easy commute from the school. 2 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 are taken to the activities

\*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.

## Meals – Homestay

<b>Breakfast</b>	A typical breakfast includes: toast, yogurt, cereal, milk or juice
<b>Lunch</b>	Students will receive a packed lunch e.g. sandwich or salad, crisps and fruit
<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 have medical insurance. Students have the option of purchasing Insurance for US\$25 per week if they cannot provide proof of their own.
<b>Doctor visits</b>	If a student needs to visit a doctor, LSI will 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 on 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, table, storage space for clothes
<b>Bed linen / Towels</b>	All are provided
<b>Laundry</b>	Laundry facilities are available in all of our homestays

## 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>Valuables</b>	All valuables can be left with the Junior Program Coordinator on the first morning in school if students require this. These will be kept securely locked in the school. Pocket money can be sent to LSI directly before the student arrives and the Course Director will be able to distribute it once a week.
<b>Group Leaders</b>	Group leaders are accommodated on a single room basis, unless otherwise stated.
<b>Special Requests</b>	LSI will endeavour to allow for all special requests

## The Programme

<b>First Day</b>	On the first morning, students should arrive at the school at 8:30am. They will have a placement test 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 during the day from Monday to Friday from 9.10am to 12.50pm. Students are put 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 notepad/paper and pen. They will be provided with text books and learning materials on a loan basis.
<b>Activities</b>	Students go on activities each day (Monday to Friday) in the morning or afternoon. There are a variety of activities on offer and vary depending on the weather and student numbers (please see the timetable below for some examples). There is also a full day 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				Trip to Balboa Park
	Break Time					
	Induction and first lesson	Integrated skills/Project Work				
	Lunch					
	City tour	San Diego Zoo	Games and sports afternoon	Old Town Mexican village	Beach volleyball	

\*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

- You are sharing rooms with other students. Please respect them, their possessions, their sleep and their right to have a good time on their trip to San Diego.

### Further course information

- In class, we will focus mostly on your speaking, listening, vocabulary and pronunciation skills (there will be some grammar, reading and writing as well, but these are the most important parts). Most of your lessons will have a San Diego or USA theme.
- Please be on time for everything! You want to do and see as much as possible while you are here. Remember that if 1 person is late, everybody waits!
- **Excursions:** Please wear appropriate clothes! Look at the weather and ask your teacher about this. Take a waterproof jacket if you think it might rain. Wear sunglasses and sunscreen if it is sunny and, most importantly, always wear comfortable shoes! You will be doing lots of walking during the day and sore feet can ruin your day. When you are on excursions, you will sometimes have some free time. You will be told how often and when you need to check in with the teacher who is your guide for the trip. You need to stay in groups of 2 or more. If you don't want to go with another student, you can always stay with the teacher. Some days your teacher will give you homework – please do this.
- **Identification card:** The LSI San Diego paper card has emergency contact information. You can call the phone numbers on it or ask someone like a police officer to call if you get lost or have any emergency so you can find us again. The card may also include important medical information that doctors need to know. If you get lost and scared and can't find anyone to help you, you can show it to a taxi driver who will take you back to the university – don't worry if you have no money – we will pay when you arrive. 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. We can always make more for FREE!
- If you have an emergency situation, stay calm. Try to use your English to explain what the problem is, but if you can't then show somebody your emergency card so that they can contact the school and we can help you.
- You are not allowed to buy, possess or drink alcohol at any point in your stay here. The situation might be different in your home country, but the USA is very strict about this. 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.