

JUNIOR PROGRAM SAN DIEGO



Junior Program 2023

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 Californian city. It is guaranteed to be an experience they will never forget! The course is based at the Junior Center at our school in downtown San Diego. 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 tuition, homestay accommodation in a twin room with full board, 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.

What's included?

- Placement test & orientation
- English course Monday to Friday (20 x 50 minute lessons per week)
- Course materials
- Homestay accommodation in twin rooms with full board
- 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 2023

The program will run from 3rd January 2023 to 6th February 2023. The program ends 10th February 2023.

- 3rd January 2023*
- 10th January 2023
- 18th January 2023
- 24th January 2023
- 31st January 2023
- 7th February 2023

Summer 2023

The program will run every Monday from 26th June to 31st July 2023. The course ends 4th August 2023.

- 26th June 2023
- 3rd July 2023
- 10th July 2023
- 17th July 2023
- 24th July 2023
- 31st July 2023

Winter 2024

The program will run from 2nd January 2024 to 5th February 2024. The program ends 9th February 2024.

- 2nd January 2024*
- 8th January 2024
- 15th January 2024
- 22nd January 2024
- 29th January 2024
- 5th February 2024

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

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.

General Information

Age range	12–17*
English levels	Elementary to Advanced
Arrival day	Sunday
Departure day	Saturday
Minimum stay	1 week
Suggested stay	1–4 weeks
Travel time from airport/station	San Diego International Airport: Approximately 20-30 minutes
Transfer service	We suggest that the student books an LSI taxi to ensure their safe transfer to their accommodation. An LSI representative will be waiting for the student in the arrivals area holding an LSI sign with their name displayed too.
Travelling to school	Our homestays are within 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 homestay host will provide full instructions on how to reach the school.
Travelling to activities	Students are taken to the activities.

*16- & 17-year-olds: These students have the choice of joining our Junior Program or one of our adult programs. The Junior Program is a more supervised 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 to them.

12-year-olds are accepted at LSI San Diego only if accompanied by a legal guardian or if they come in a group accompanied by a chaperone.

Meals – Homestay

Breakfast	A typical breakfast includes: toast, yogurt, cereal, milk or juice
Lunch	Packed lunch e.g. sandwich or salad, crisps and fruit
Dinner	Cooked meal e.g. pasta, meat, vegetables, salad
Dietary requirements	Students must advise LSI at the time of booking of any particular dietary requirements.

Medical History

LSI **MUST** BE NOTIFIED IN ADVANCE OF ANY MEDICAL OR PSYCHOLOGICAL CONDITIONS, ALLERGIES OR MEDICATION THAT NEEDS TO BE TAKEN BY THE STUDENT. ANY LEARNING DISABILITIES SHOULD BE COMMUNICATED TO THE SCHOOL.

Insurance	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.
Doctor visits	If a student needs to visit a doctor, LSI will arrange an appointment for them.

Accommodation – Homestay

Room type	Twin room (students are placed in a twin room when possible with another student on the Junior Program).
Bathrooms	Shared bathroom
Board status	Full board (breakfast, packed lunch, dinner)
Rooms include	A bed, desk, table, storage space for clothes
Bed linen / Towels	All are provided
Laundry	Laundry facilities are available in all of our homestays.

Other

Curfew	To ensure student welfare, curfew is at 10:00pm every night unless the students are on a supervised LSI activity or a student's parents have specified an earlier time.
Internet	The school has computers which students can use in addition to Wi-Fi. Internet is available at all homestays.
Valuables	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.
Group Leaders	Group leaders are accommodated in single rooms, unless otherwise stated.
Special Requests	LSI will endeavor to cater for special requests.

The Program

First day	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.
English lessons	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 support students in their studies.
Class size	Max. 16 students per class.
Class materials	Students need to bring their own notepad/paper and pen. They will be provided with text books and study materials on a loan basis.
Activities	Students go on activities each day (Monday to Friday) in the morning or afternoon. There are a variety of activities on offer depending on the weather and student numbers (please see the sample timetable below). There is also a full day excursion each week. No refund are given for activities they choose not to participate in.
Attendance	Students are expected to attend all classes and activities unless they are unwell.
LSI certificate	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 that 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). Many 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! Students who are late or absent will be disciplined.
- **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/activity leader.
- **Junior Contract:** Juniors will be required to sign a contract on the first day, and includes the process for expulsion. A copy of the contract can be sent upon request.
- **Parent/Guardian Contract:** Parents/guardians are required to sign a contract upon enrolling the student – please contact the school for a copy of the contract. We will also require 2 passport photos or a high resolution digital passport size photo at the time of enrolment.