Village Weekends

Active Language Learning and Cultural Immersion programs for language students in grades 3-12

Chinese | French | German | Spanish
Which program is right for your students?

VILLAGE WEEKENDS

Village Weekends are three- and four-day programs for language students in grades 3–12. Participants have continuous opportunities to use their language skills and are challenged to develop their language proficiency through fun and engaging activities. These include sports, arts, music and celebrations. Our program themes strongly enhance your school curriculum with cultural, geographic, and historical topics. They incorporate both established traditions and new global issues like sustainability.

Languages: Chinese, French, German and Spanish

CUSTOM IMMERSION PROGRAMS

We work with you to design a program to fit your group’s needs. It’s like a class trip abroad—right here at home! You and your students will get a great taste of the target culture and a boost in language practice. We welcome groups anytime during the school year.
Programs are hosted at our culturally authentic, year-round sites on Turtle River Lake near Bemidji, Minn.

Villagers stay in comfortable, winterized cabins, arranged by gender and age. It is common for different school groups to share a cabin. There is never one student from a school alone in a cabin. Each cabin houses 10-14 villagers and adult chaperones.

"The counselors were always willing to help you understand!"

Waldsee participant

Living the Language TOGETHER!

"Teachers and chaperones both enjoy learning with students during the program. Trying new foods, learning new dances, cultural information and activities and getting to live the language is almost better than going abroad!"

– Village Weekend Chaperone
“I loved the food!” Regardless of age, students consistently rank the food as one of their top three favorite experiences of the program. Our Culinary Arts Department pays careful attention to the authenticity of ingredients and cooking style when preparing cultural meals. The dishes are often new to participants. We bake all of our bread from scratch at the site. The use of fresh produce, imported cheeses and spices makes the meals healthy, authentic and tasty.

If you or one of your villagers has special dietary needs, please contact us before your arrival. We can usually accommodate these needs.

“I liked the food because it was authentic.” – El Lago del Bosque participant
The activities are super creative which sets the camp out from the rest.

– Lac du Bois participant
Come live the language with us!

Looking for an exciting and memorable way to extend language and cultural education beyond the classroom and into the world?

Village Weekends provide a fun and engaging cultural immersion experience for students and teachers. Let Concordia Language Villages help you reinforce a love of multilingualism with your students. At our programs, language and culture come alive in a “real-world” context through authentic games, sports, engaging activities, traditions, food and music.

See our programs in action.

Visit ConcordiaLanguageVillages.org/weekends to show students, parents, and fellow teachers how Concordia Language Villages ignites your students' enthusiasm for language learning! Watch more fun videos on our YouTube channel at YouTube.com/LanguageVillages.

We are here for you.

In addition to providing valuable enrichment opportunities for school groups, we provide teachers with resources for use in the classroom and beyond. Visit https://bit.ly/2HgUciO for more information.