

Waubonsie Valley High School Orchestra Performance Tour of Québec City and Montréal June 13 – 18, 2025

<u>Itinerary – 6 Day Tour</u>

Day One - Friday, June 13, 2025

Québec City, Québec

Depart Meet at the Chicago Airport. (Transportation to and from airport is not included). It is

recommended that groups arrive at least three hours prior to departure.

All passengers traveling by air between the United States and Canada will be required to present

a valid passport.

Arrival Welcome to Québec City! Upon arrival, head to the baggage claim where your Gateway Tour

Manager and motorcoach will meet you.

Petit Champlain

District Enjoy lunch on your own in the oldest commercial district in North America. Walk the

stone-paved pedestrian streets visiting the shops, boutiques and local cafés.

Old Québec Enjoy free time exploring Old Québec at your leisure this afternoon. Stroll down Rue Saint-

Jean Du Vieux, and visit the oldest grocery store in North America, or stop in at the Saint-Jean-Baptiste Church. The area is bustling with boutiques, restaurants and historical sites.

Hotel Your Gateway Tour Manager will assist with hotel check-in.

MealsBreakfast, dinnerOvernightQuebec City



Day Two - Saturday, June 14, 2025

Québec City, Québec

Québec City Tour Experience the beauty and history of both Old and New Québec with a fascinating

sightseeing tour of the city. See the stately Chateau Frontenac, the Parliament, the St. Louis

Arch, and Place Royale, the site of the original settlement of the city of Québec.

Citadel At the top of the famous Cap Diamant lies the biggest British fortress in North America. Built

by the British between 1820 and 1850 to defend the city, it is now a remarkable military heritage

site and home to the Musée Royal 22nd Regiment.

Notre-Dame

de Québec Basilica Standing on the same location since 1647 and designated a Canada National Historic Site

due to its architectural value, the cathedral houses many works of art and pieces of archives.

Famous for its Holy Door, it's kept sealed, only being opened in holy years.

Broadway Across

Canada Attend a Broadway Show at one of Quebec City's fine theatres (based on a \$85.00 CAD

ticket value).

Meals Breakfast, dinner Overnight Québec City

Day Three – Sunday, June 15, 2025

Québec City, Québec

Île d'Orléans Drive around Orleans Island. Founded in 1870, and commonly known in the beginning as "le

> bout de l'île" (the tip of the island). The island is known for their agri-tourism, with much of the fruits and vegetables in the province grown here. Your free time may include visiting the shops,

galleries, historical sites and food markets.

Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré Drive along the breathtaking Beaupré coast. Next is Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré, which has been

credited by the Catholic Church with many miracles of curing the sick and disabled.

 □ Performance A performance will be schedule in Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré Catholic Church (or similar, subject

to acceptance, schedule and availability).

Canyon

Sainte-Anne Falls Continue driving along the Beaupré coast to Canyon Sainte-Anne Falls, a spectacular, steep-sided

gorge, carved by the Sainte-Anne-du-Nord River.

Montmorency

Falls Take a cable car up the cliff to start the panoramic walking tour. Walk along the suspended

bridge for breath-taking views of the area. Walk down the 487-step staircase to the side of the

cliff that will bring you to the foot of the falls.

Meals Breakfast, dinner

Overnight Québec City



Day Four - Monday, June 16, 2025

Québec City - Montréal, Québec

Check Out Your Gateway Tour Manager will assist with check out logistics

Depart Board the motorcoaches and depart for Montréal. The drive today will parallel the St.

Lawrence River, passing by Trois-Rivières, the confluence of the Saint-Maurice and Saint

Lawrence Rivers. (Approximate drive time is 2 ½ hours without stops, 156 miles.)

Montréal Montréal is the largest city in Canada's Québec province. It's set on an island in the Saint

Lawrence River and named after Mt. Royal, the triple-peaked hill at its heart. Its boroughs,

many of which were once independent cities, include neighborhoods ranging from cobblestoned, French colonial Vieux-Montréal – with the Gothic Revival Notre-Dame

Basilica at its center – to bohemian Plateau.

Jean Talon

Market Visit the Jean Talon Market for lunch on your own, an open-air market in Little Italy, one of the

oldest public markets in Montréal.

Montréal City Tour A local guide will board your motorcoach for a sightseeing tour of Montréal. Highlights may

include Old Montréal and Mount Royal, where on a clear day, you can see all the way to the rolling Laurentian Mountains. Also, walk on the Mont-Royal to the Kondiaronk Belvedere for a

beautiful view and drive along Saint Denis Street and Quartier Latin.

Sugar Shack Although it isn't the season for tapping the maple trees, a visit to a sugar shack in Québec is a

must with it being one of the largest industries in Québec. Learn about the traditions of maple

syrup making and enjoy sampling.

La Grande Roue

de Montréal A unique activity in the picturesque setting of Old Montréal on the shore of the Saint

Lawrence River. This 60-metre observation wheel is the tallest in Canada and equipped with

42 luxurious, top-of-the-line, climate-controlled cabins.

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MealsDinnerOvernightMontréal



Day Five - Tuesday, June 17, 2025

Montréal, Québec

Notre-Dame

Basilica Visit the Notre-Dame Basilica, built between 1824 and 1829. Paintings, sculptures and stained-

glass windows illustrate biblical passages as well as 350 years of parish history.

☐ Performance A performance will be arranged at the Notre-Dame Basilica (or similar, subject to

acceptance, schedule and availability).

Church recitals occur in historically or acoustically inspiring churches or cathedrals, usually during the day on weekdays or Saturdays. Gateway obtains advance authorization and secures a performance time. Typical lengths

range from 15-45 minutes. Audiences are ambient, comprised of people visiting the church.

Montréal Symphony

Orchestra Attend a concert of the Montréal Symphony Orchestra at La Maison Symphonique (based

on a \$60.00 CAD ticket value).

Meals Breakfast, dinner

Overnight Montréal

Day Five - Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Montréal, Québec – U.S.A

Depart Travel to the airport for return flight.

Meals Breakfast