

**In the space below please indicate your preferred program**

(the start date is the day students depart from the US and the end date, when they land back in the US – so return flights will leave the destination country one day before the program end date)

**Iten, Kenya:** (6/23– 7/16) \$4550 \_\_\_\_\_

**Sacred Valley, Peru:** Lares Trail & Machu Pichu (6/26 – 7/15) \$3900 \_\_\_\_\_

Inca Trail\* to Machu Pichu (7/16 – 8/4) \$3900 \_\_\_\_\_

**\*For the Inca trail** – Applications for the Inca trail trip are due no later than March 15, 2012. In addition, Strive **must** receive a copy of Participant's passport (valid for 6 months beyond dates of travel) AND a copy of a current International Student ID Card (ISIC) **by March 15, 2012** or a surcharge of \$150 will be levied. Further, if a minimum of 12 students have not signed up for the Inca trail trip prior to March 15, 2012, the Lares trail will be substituted for the hiking portion of the trip.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(As it appears on your passport) (Last) (First, Middle)

Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Tshirt Size: S M L XL

Email (please write clearly): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State/Province) (Zip/Postal) (Country)

Primary phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include a copy of your passport id page along with this application.

*Applicant questionnaire:*

Please describe the experience you are anticipating:

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Please outline your projected summer athletic training schedule (in general terms):

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Please list any previous summer or travel experiences you have had, what you enjoyed most about them, and what you found most challenging:

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What would your friends say are your biggest strengths? Which situations tend to frustrate you the most?

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**School Information**

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School address: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary coach's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's high school sports history, including personal best results.

Fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Winter: \_\_\_\_\_

Spring: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Parent/Guardian Information:**

Parent 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternative Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternative Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant lives primarily with (circle): Both parents, Parent 1, Parent 2, Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

To whom should STRIVE bills be addressed (circle)? Both, Parent 1, Parent 2, Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Please provide contact info)

*Parent questionnaire:*

What would you most like your son/daughter to gain from this STRIVE experience?

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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What will be your son/daughter's biggest challenge during his/her travels?

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Do you have any specific concerns of which we should be aware?

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\_\_\_\_\_

Medical history and clearance will be required if the applicant is accepted into a program. If there are any activities in which you anticipate your child will not be able to participate due to medical conditions, please list them here: \_\_\_\_\_

Other comments?

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Please read and sign all of the subsequent pages, including the full Terms and Conditions, Parental Waiver, and Conditions for Participation before sending the completed application with deposit to:

STRIVE Trips Inc  
 Park West Station, PO Box 20034  
 New York, NY 10025

**To be completed by the Parent:**

We have read and understand the program description for which our son or daughter is applying. We have further read, understand, and agree to the provisions contained in the “Conditions for Participation”, which our son or daughter has signed, and in the “Terms and Conditions” found on the STRIVE TRIPS Inc website and on subsequent pages of this application.

There are certain risks inherent in STRIVE TRIPS Inc. activities and programs; we understand the nature of these programs and accept the risks involved. We agree to release, waive, covenant not to sue, indemnify, and hold harmless STRIVE TRIPS Inc. and its staff, independent contractors, and agents of any and all liability and responsibility of any nature for any loss or damage to property or personal injury, including death or illness, incurred by our child while participating in a STRIVE TRIPS Inc. program. Jurisdiction for all legal action will be in New York. Any individual, upon bringing legal action against STRIVE TRIPS Inc. which results in a decision in favor of STRIVE TRIPS Inc. will be responsible for all legal fees, court costs and out of pocket expenses of STRIVE TRIPS Inc., its board members and its employees. We understand that our failure to disclose fully any information regarding our child which results in an inappropriate placement in a STRIVE TRIPS Inc. program is cause for dismissal without refund. We also understand that STRIVE TRIPS Inc will dismiss without any refund and at parental expense any student who disrupts the group or who violates the “Conditions for Participation.” We grant to STRIVE TRIPS Inc. a royalty-free, non-exclusive license to use photography of our child and to use his/her creative writing in promotional, documentary, and other educational publications (print and electronic).

If accepted into the program, we agree to pay the program balance in US dollars by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

Parent/Guardian 1 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian 2 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Conditions for Participation – Required*****Please Read Carefully***

STRIVE participants are expected to make the most of the community service, athletic training, and intercultural learning opportunities presented during their Strive experience. We count on each applicant to respect every other participant, all group leaders and coaches, and our in country hosts. We also expect all students to participate enthusiastically in the daily athletic training, which will require early mornings. **Please note that adherence to the rules outlined below is mandatory and that any STRIVE participant who violates these terms will be immediately removed from the program and sent home at the parents' expense, regardless of the number of days remaining in the program.**

*To be completed by the Student Applicant:*

I \_\_\_\_\_ have read the Conditions for Participation and agree to adhere in full with each of the provisions outlined.

1. I will participate with a positive attitude in all aspects of our trip, even if I'm feeling jet lagged, the roads are bumpy, or the food isn't what I'm used to.
2. I will do all I can before I leave home to learn about and raise money for the community service organizations with which we'll be working.
3. I will make every effort to complete the daily athletic training program with my peers, using common sense in a higher altitude than I'm used to, and letting the group leaders know if it's too much for me or if another participant may be going too fast, too soon.
4. I will participate with enthusiasm in all volunteer and group activities and do my best to maintain a constructive group atmosphere throughout the trip.
5. I will ask for permission if I leave the group, the place we're staying, or to go to any location where the group leaders are not present, and the group leaders will always know where I am and when I will return.
6. I will take full responsibility for my actions and for any of the property and equipment of the accommodations in which we're staying, STRIVE, or our community service hosts.
7. I will follow all safety procedures outlined by the group leaders.
8. I will not use, possess, or attempt to possess any tobacco products, unprescribed drugs, or alcohol of any kind.
9. I will not engage in any sexual activity or spend the night in any room other than my own.
10. I will limit the use of my cellphone (if it works), personal music device, or laptop during my trip. I also realize that I am fully responsible for any of these (or any other) valuable items if I choose to bring them on the trip.

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about STRIVE programs this year?

web search: \_\_\_\_\_ flyer \_\_\_\_\_  
 website: \_\_\_\_\_ word of mouth \_\_\_\_\_  
 brochure \_\_\_\_\_ other: \_\_\_\_\_

Another student athlete referred me: (Name of referring student) \_\_\_\_\_

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**This Agreement** (the "Agreement") is entered by and between Strive Trips, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York ("STRIVE", "we", "us" or "our") and you, the participant's parent or guardian, and the participant. By submitting an application and/or a deposit for any portion of STRIVE's program, you are agreeing to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

- 1. Definitions.** As used in this Agreement "your child," "student" or "Participant" refers to your son/daughter, the minor seeking enrolment in STRIVE's program; "You" refers to you, the individual signing and submitting this Agreement to STRIVE; and "Activities" means all the program activities including, but not limited to, all sporting activities, all community service programs, and all traveling, hiking, boating and water activities.
- 2. Authority to Enter into Agreement.** By signing and submitting this Agreement to STRIVE, you are representing and warranting that you are the Participant's parent or legal guardian. You further warrant that entering into this Agreement and/or enrolling the Participant in a STRIVE program does not violate the terms of a court order or a child custody settlement to which you are a party. You agree that you may legally enter into this Agreement without the consent of another parent and/or third party, and you agree to indemnify STRIVE for any expenses or loss, including attorney fees, arising out of your misstatement or legal action challenging your authority to enter into this Agreement.
- 3. Application Process.** Our screening process is designed to ensure that potential participants are prepared athletically and emotionally for the demands of our sports training, travelling with a small group in a developing country, and working with local community organizations. STRIVE reserves the right to refuse and/or rescind acceptance at any point to a student who we believe, in our sole discretion, is unsuitable for our programs. Health, physical ability or behavioral history may be grounds for refusal. In the event that STRIVE refuses or rescinds admission to a program, all monies paid to date will be refunded, except in situations in which material information was withheld.
- 4. Health Forms and Insurance.** Our health form must be completed in its entirety and signed by the parent or guardian as well as by a physician who has examined the Participant within 6 months prior to the start of the program. The health form must be received by STRIVE by June 15, 2012. **Acceptance into a program is contingent upon our approval after having the opportunity to review the relevant health information, as we, in our sole discretion determine. Failure to answer all questions accurately or the misrepresentation of the Participant's current or past physical and/or emotional condition may necessitate the dismissal of the Participant, even after the program has commenced, at your expense. Note that STRIVE will not be responsible for any physical or emotional injuries suffered during the program that could have been avoided but for the misrepresentations or inaccuracies in the health information provided to STRIVE.** Misrepresentation, failure to fully disclose information, or failure to update STRIVE with new behavioral developments, physical injuries or other pertinent health form information prior to the program may result in dismissal or rescinding of acceptance (even before a program begins) without refund. All students must be covered by medical insurance. In case of illness or injury, STRIVE will administer first aid and/or take the injured student to medical services. You agree that the cost of these medical and related services, including expenses for both the student and accompanying staff person will be borne by you alone.
- 5. Participation Required.** STRIVE expects a level of personal discipline and enthusiasm from its participants. Your child will be required to rise early on most mornings for training or travel and, at times, participants must be prepared to compromise their own needs for the common goals of the group. Participants must follow stated instructional directions and safety standards. Unsafe actions taken by any participant are grounds for dismissal.
- 6. Student Fundraising.** We strongly encourage each student to raise a suggested amount of \$400 (or more) prior to the commencement of the program. These charity funds will be used for in-country service and community projects. Running shoes and clothes are also welcome, but are costly to import as they are likely to incur additional baggage fees on domestic flights. One hundred percent of all donations that participants bring to our program destination will go directly to the organizations with which students volunteer.
- 7. Transportation.** Transportation to and from the starting points of each session is your logistical and financial responsibility. Participant must arrive and depart within the specific time frames we have noted on the website. If, for any reason, the Participant does not arrive or depart within these times, any additional costs incurred by STRIVE to ensure safe transportation for the Participant to/from the group will be borne entirely by you, in addition to \$150 surcharge.
- 8. Flight Arrangements by STRIVE.** STRIVE is not responsible for making your international flight arrangements. Nevertheless, as a courtesy to you, STRIVE will endeavor within reasonable limits to arrange for international flights upon request. Flights will be arranged from home cities to connect with others in the group in the same European city for transfer to the same flight to the final destination city. Group leaders will not accompany participants on these flights, but will be in Nairobi's international airport to meet the participants as they arrive. If you would like an adult to oversee your child as he/she travels from his/her home country to the final destination city, you may work to arrange for your child to be registered with the airline as an unaccompanied minor, and these students will be accompanied by, and the responsibility of, an airline representative during the flights. Additional airline fees relating to the unaccompanied minor status will be paid directly to the airlines, and such payment will be borne by you. Please note that no cancellation insurance will be purchased by STRIVE for airlines tickets. We strongly recommend that both flight and trip cancellation insurance be purchased for each participant. The identification and purchase of such insurance is entirely your responsibility.
- 9. Program Development and Changes.** Program development continues throughout the year, even after the program descriptions have been completed. As new opportunities arise or practical considerations require, the itinerary, destinations or other aspects of a trip may change. You will be informed about substantive changes before the summer begins.
- 10. Program Cancellation.** STRIVE reserves the right to cancel any program that does not enroll a minimum number of students, as we determine in our sole discretion. In the event of a program cancellation participants will be offered space in any other program that still has space available or, in the alternative, a full refund of all monies paid. In instances where STRIVE cancels a program for other reasons (e.g. political instability, health concerns) STRIVE Trips Inc will attempt to offer a close substitute to the cancelled program or, in the alternative, a full refund of all monies paid. In instances where STRIVE cancels a program for any reason, STRIVE will not be responsible for the reimbursement of costs incurred by participants, other than the STRIVE program fee itself. STRIVE will not be responsible for all other costs incurred by you because of your reliance and anticipation of the program. In the event that an already started program must be abruptly ended for reasons beyond our control there will be no program fee refund and any additional costs will be borne by you.
- 11. Authorization and Waiver.** You are aware that normal and usual athletic and sports related activities have certain inherent risks and may cause injury to participants. Nevertheless, you want your child to participate in the Activities, and you give your unqualified permission and consent for your child to participate in the Activities. Moreover, while STRIVE uses care in the selection of its group leaders, transportation companies, outfitters, facilities and services, and takes active steps to identify, analyze and manage risk to all participants and their personal property, our risk management efforts cannot remove all risk. You must understand the nature of our programs and accept the inherent risks involved in such activities.
- 12. Emergencies.** In the event that you cannot be reached, you authorize and direct any adult STRIVE group leader representing STRIVE to make emergency medical decisions for your child.
- 13. Skills to Participate.** You warrant that the Participant has the necessary skills and is able to participate in all reasonably anticipated aspects of the Activities. You represent that the nature of the Activities and travel has already been fully disclosed to you, and any brochure, flyer or announcement relating to the Activities and travel is expressly made a part of your authorization and waiver. You agree that you have had the opportunity to communicate with STRIVE and to obtain information relating to the STRIVE program.
- 14. Grounds for Dismissal.** Your child must follow stated instructional directions and safety standards at all times while participating in the STRIVE program. Unsafe actions taken by your child are grounds for dismissal. Sexual activity, unauthorized absence from the group, possession or use of tobacco products, weapons, alcohol or unprescribed drugs are against STRIVE's rules, and each on its own constitutes grounds for dismissal from the program at any point in the program. STRIVE reserves the right to dismiss your child if he/she violates any of the Conditions for Participation, or if we, in our sole discretion, determine that your child has become an overall hindrance to the group process or the stated

goals of the program. Likewise, STRIVE reserves the right to dismiss your child if we determine that because of a medical problem your child no longer is able to effectively take part in the program.

15. **Dismissal.** If your child is dismissed or withdraws he/she will be sent home at your expense, without refund of any fees paid, even in the event that STRIVE dismisses your child during the program for medical reasons. In the event of dismissal, accompaniment by a STRIVE leader of the flight(s) home will be impossible; we will not be responsible for accompanying your child home in the event of your child's dismissal. At your request, STRIVE will attempt in good faith to arrange for the student to be treated as an unaccompanied minor by the airline, with any additional fees borne by you. You understand that STRIVE does not, however, make any guarantee that it will succeed in the airline treating your child as an unaccompanied minor.
16. **Program Fees.** The program fee balance is due by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. We will not continue to reserve the space of any participant whose balance is unpaid after this date. Applications received after March 1<sup>st</sup> must be accompanied by full payment. *If you fail to make your final payment by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012, your program will be subject to a \$150 surcharge.* Program fees cover all program activities, including lodging, meals and transportation during the program. The fees DO NOT cover transportation costs to and from the starting or ending points of programs), personal spending money, expenses for professional medical care, massages or other physical therapy, overweight baggage fees on domestic flights taken by the group, or other personal needs.
17. **Contingency Fee.** In addition to the program fee, each participant must place \$400 on account with STRIVE, as a contingency payment to cover the costs of any extraordinary or unexpected expenses incurred by a program participant (including, but not limited to, medical expenses, replacement of lost items, and expenses arising out of the dismissal of the participant). All unused contingency funds will be returned to you by the end of September, 2012. Although unlikely, factors beyond our control (e.g., currency fluctuations, excessive inflation, significant fuel price increases) may cause our program fees to fluctuate, and in such an event we reserve the right to increase the program fee and, if necessary, to draw from your contingency funds to account for such circumstance.
18. **Deposit and Program Fee Refunds.** Your \$500 deposit includes a \$200 non-refundable processing fee. The remaining \$300 deposit is refundable until March 1, 2012. After March 1<sup>st</sup> your full \$500 deposit is not refundable, but any additional fees paid are refundable until April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. After April 1<sup>st</sup>, there will be no program fee refunds, regardless of circumstance. This refund policy is based on our investment in the program. Costs are determined on a group basis, not per student and most of our expenses cannot be recovered. In addition, last minute cancellations may prevent students on a waiting list from participating.
19. **Cancellation Insurance.** Trip cancellation insurance may be available through travel insurance providers and depending on the nature of the claim and the reason for your cancellation. Please note that we are not responsible for researching available policies; contact your insurance providers for more information.
20. **STRIVE Equipment.** STRIVE will provide equipment as required for group travel (e.g., first aid equipment, vans, etc). The Participant is expected to care for any equipment provided. If the Participant damages or loses any equipment belonging to or subcontracted to STRIVE, the student and/or parent/guardian will be held responsible (normal wear and tear excluded). STRIVE insurance does not cover the personal property and equipment of participants. You are encouraged to check with your insurance providers to ensure that your child's personal property and equipment are covered against loss, theft or damage.
21. **Right of Publicity Release.** You hereby grant to STRIVE, its agents, and others working for it or on its behalf and their respective licensees, successors and assigns, the non-exclusive right and permission to use, publish and distribute videos and pictures in which your child appears or his/her creative writing for the publicity of our programs, documentaries and educational publications. You agree that you will have no claim to payments or royalties for such use or the right of approval with respect to such videos, pictures and content.
22. **Indemnification.** You, on behalf of your child, hereby indemnify, release, hold harmless and forever discharge STRIVE and its staff, independent contractors, agents, employees, officers, directors, affiliates, successors and assigns, of and from any and all claims, demands, debts, contracts, expenses, causes of action, lawsuits, damages or liabilities, of any kind or nature, whether known or unknown, in law or in equity, that you ever had or may have, arising from or in any way related to your child's participation in the STRIVE program and in any Activities conducted by STRIVE. Likewise, In consideration of services to be received, you hereby release and forever discharge STRIVE, its successors, administrators, staff, independent contractors, and assign from any and all actions, cause of action, liability claims and demands upon or by reason of any damage, loss, injury or suffering known and unknown, which may be sustained by the Participant in connection with, and in course of, receiving sports training and techniques from the instructors, staff, independent contractors, officials, or employees of STRIVE, or any fellow students in the connection therewith and within the course of participating in the program sports training. You hereby waive all of your rights to the claims, actions, cause of action, demand or suit of loss, injury, damage or suffering sustained as a result of anything other than gross negligence on the part of STRIVE. You and the Participant assume all the risks inherent and incident to this type of trip as a condition for applying for admission to this program.
23. **Continuity of Waiver and Indemnification.** This Agreement is binding upon you, your heirs, executors, legal representatives, successors and assignees. The Agreement will continue in full force and effect even after the termination of the activities conducted by STRIVE.
24. **Governing Law.** This Agreement is governed by the laws of the State of New York and is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by that law. If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions will continue to be fully effective.
25. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement together with the program application, which is incorporated by reference into this Agreement, contains the entire agreement between the parties, and supersedes any prior written or oral agreements between them concerning STRIVE's programs. This Agreement may be waived, altered, amended or repealed, in whole or in part, only upon the prior written consent of all parties.
26. **Arbitration.** Any claim or controversy that arises out of or relates to this Agreement or the alleged breach of it, and which cannot be settled by the parties, will be settled by submission to the nearest chapter of the American Arbitration Association or similar group for binding arbitration in accordance with its then current rules and procedures.

I am of lawful age and legally competent to sign this document; I understand the terms herein; and I have signed this document as my own free act and deed.

Name of Parent 1/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent 2/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_