

Italy '22 - 19U/HS US Select Team Tour



American Football Worldwide

JB Sports Enterprises, Inc.

Full Tour Includes:

- Flight to Rome and Return Flight from Milan*
- All OVN Accommodations
- Breakfast & Dinner Daily (one exception), Four Lunches
- All Transportation Between Tour Destinations
- Multiple Guided Sight-Seeing Tours (in English)
- Full-time Tour Manager
- US Football Ops Coordinator
- AFW *ELITE TEAM* Practices
- Travel Apparel for Players
- Game Uniforms & Souvenir *USA-AFW ELITE* Jersey
- Outstanding Coaching & Football Development
- **REPRESENT USA vs. ITALIAN NATIONAL 19U TEAM**
- Student Medical Insurance

* Land Only Rate Also Available

ATHLETE Registration Procedure & Payment Schedule

- ✓ It is suggested you **Register Through Link on AFW Website**
- ✓ Process **deposit of \$450** (*see Cancellation Policies and Penalties*).
All deposited funds are applied to costs for the tour.
- ✓ If registration or any questions call AFW at 309-781-7274 weekdays (best between 9am and 2pm CST).
- ✓ **Roster positions for USA-AFW ELITE TEAM established and may close primarily on a first-to-deposit basis.** Airline requirements make it such that team be largely assembled by December 20, 2021
- ✓ **By December 19, 2021 make a second installment payment or fund-raise another \$1000** (*See fund-raising opportunities below.*)
- ✓ **A third payment/ fund-raise of \$1000 due January 20, 2022.**
- ✓ **Remaining Balance payment in full due February 20, 2022** (*Earlier payments applied to price: NY/Newark \$3795, Chicago \$3895, LA \$3995*)

Student-Athlete Selection/Eligibility Criteria

- ✓ Must be 19 years of age or younger at any point in 2022. Be a starter for your high school varsity program on offense, defense or as a specialist. 1st year college players also eligible.
- ✓ HS Juniors eligible - should secure future HS eligibility clearance with their AD (varies by state)
- ✓ Must not have been subject to formal school or team discipline
 - ✓ A coach will be contacted for a character reference/recommendation

*Student-Athletes Traveling Alone Must Fly With AFW Groups out of NY-Newark, Chicago or LA

Any athlete traveling without a family member must fly with AFW and our coach-chaperones out of cities listed above. For those traveling in this manner, from the time you step on the plane and return from Italy practically every essential cost is taken care of except for a few 'your choice' meals. **The cost of the tour package and all inclusions listed above is from AFW departure locations.** You are financially responsible to get to these airports to meet the coach-chaperone and *AFW ELITE* tour group.

Expanded Travel Option: Travel with a Parent and Book Your Own Flights - Land-Only Tour Costs

- As an option players can meet us in Rome (and return from Milan) *if at least one parent/family member is accompanying the player on the trip and joining our tour.* It is your responsibility to meet us at the Rome airport on our arrival day during a specified time frame or at our hotel later that first day.
- Land-only ('LO') cost packages are available. LO travelers will receive all inclusions except airfare.

Parent/Family Member Tour Participation - Registration Procedure & Payment Schedule

- ✓ Pricing approximately \$90 higher than student prices
- ✓ **Registration at the same website** and deposit. (*see Cancellation Policies and Penalties*). All deposited funds are applied to costs for the tour.
- ✓ Meet the payment dates listed at registration.

Family members have additional free time to explore Italy when players are practicing (early morning). Please note that this tour requires walking reasonable distances. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk on uneven ground.

Tour Pricing Clarifications*

- **Tour pricing is per person in double occupancy** and based on current airfare, land costs and rate of exchange. Single accommodations may be available, but travelers are responsible for an additional single supplement fee that in Europe can be expensive (estimated at \$340+ for the week). If interested make request with AFW.
- Pricing is based on a US\$ to Euro rate of 1.14 to 1. If the US\$ rises to 1.16 or greater at the date of February 15, 2022 a supplement for the change in exchange rate may be expected.
- Prices are valid until reserved spacing is booked. Afterward we will attempt to book additional travelers at best rates at that time. Updated pricing will be communicated before booking.
- All pricing includes taxes and fees *but are subject to change if airport taxes and fuel surcharges are raised greater than 5% above current rates* (this has not happened in years and is not anticipated).
- For baggage requirements and fees information go to applicable airline website before departure.

*****FUND-RAISING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENT-ATHLETES*****

Once you deposit for this trip, you can fundraise through the website. You are encouraged to contact anyone who would possibly support you. Simply asking relatives, local businesses, high school boosters, etc. to assist you in realizing this dream experience can reduce your tour costs significantly.

Also, if you and your family face significant financial hardships but would like to have this tremendous opportunity be a part of your growth and education, contact AFW for information as to the AFW Education Foundation financial hardship application form. If you apply and the application is approved your fund-raising efforts facilitated through the AFW Education Foundation 501(c)(3) organization may be considered tax-deductible charitable donations to the donor.

In addition to the fund-raising efforts of participating student-athletes, the AFW Education Foundation will continue efforts to raise funds and seek sponsors to help reduce the cost of the tour for our student-athletes. Tour participants will be notified of cost reductions due to the contributions of others.

Get excited to represent the USA in international competition – a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity – and invest time on your fundraising!

Covid Considerations: For entry into Italy and to begin touring immediately full Covid **vaccination is required**. In addition, travelers will need to **test negative 72 hours before departure**. Updates and instructions will be forwarded to all registered travelers. Registered travelers are advised to curtail activities that raise the chance of exposure the 10 days before departure. Should a traveler not secure a negative test result they will not be able to board the plane and fees cannot be refunded unless you have purchased appropriate insurance. Some suggestions for this coverage can be provided.

Once on board the plane, the tour will be managed to avoid exposure. Our tour operators have already handled numerous trips without incident. Traveler's cooperation with tour instructions will be expected. If during tour a person shows symptoms and tests positive for Covid we do have insurance coverage to provide for quarantine, treatment and delayed departure home.

NCAA Eligibility: A game of this nature and the tour DOES NOT compromise your NCAA or NAIA eligibility. Approximately three-quarters of our former **AFW ELITE** players, amounting to hundreds of players, go on to play college football. Visit the website (www.americanfootballworldwide.com) for past team rosters.

Additional Preparation & Potential Expenses

- **Passports** – If you do not have one **please apply for a passport as soon as possible**. There is time to secure one before this tour takes place. Every traveler should be in possession of the appropriate documentation by early February 2020 **at the latest**. Also, a passport is a great investment in your personal education and your future.
- **3 'Free-Time' Lunches, one Dinner, Souvenirs & Tips** – All but three lunches and a dinner in Rome are covered in your tour fee. During touring on a couple of occasions free time is allowed for you to dine and sample local fare that may be of interest to you. In addition, your second evening in Rome allows time for you and teammates or family to enjoy the bountiful variety of restaurants and pizzerias. In addition, you may wish to budget for souvenirs you wish to purchase. Lastly, tipping at group meals will *not* take place. It is covered in your fee. However, tipping for services offered by tour guides and your motor coach driver is customary and you should contribute.

- **Additional Baggage Information:** You will be informed of a typical travel 'packing list' and how to bring all that you need with one checked bag (athletic duffle bag for player) and allowable carry-on items. Going outside this allowance - which is not at all necessary - may cause extra charges that will be incurred at the traveler's expense. In addition, please refer to the applicable airline website.

Football Equipment/Supplies, Position and Medical Coverage:

- **AFW supplies practice shorts, practice jersey, game jersey, pants and an AFW ELITE water bottle. Please see your school coach to secure hard gear (helmet, shoulder pads, hip pads, leg pads) for the trip and game.** You will also need a travel bag that can hold your gear and some other clothing items. We ask you to bring socks, cleats and a mouthpiece.
- AFW limits its team roster to '2-deep' at each position grouping. Our rosters have run from 28-35 total players so everyone plays a great deal in this special international game. We will do all that we can to have you play a position with which you are most familiar. Wherever you play we know you will perform like a football player trained in the USA - Quick, Fast & Physical!
- A certified athletic trainer will be on tour with us and attend all practices and the game. In addition, the game will be staffed with a licensed Italian physician and appropriate emergency medical crew.

Limited Medical and Travel Insurance:

- **Student-Athletes:** included in their tour price, student-athlete travelers have some insurance coverage for limited medical, lost baggage, and travel inconvenience.
- **Adult, Family and Coaches:** AFW provides a very limited travel insurance that can be of assistance for lost baggage and traveling inconveniences of that nature. However, medical insurance coverage are NOT a part of your tour price.
- It is highly recommended travelers research the applicability and procedures for your personal health insurance when overseas. Based on your individual circumstances and interests you may want to give consideration to purchasing travel and or medical insurance with your insurance agent or on-line.

Cancellation Policy & Penalties*:

- After registration, the \$450 deposit is non-refundable (unless team does not come together). The effective assembly of the team roster needs to count on your commitment.
- Beginning December 19, 2019 all funds on account are non-refundable as airline commitments will be secured. In addition, other land reservations will be confirmed.
- A party who cancels can attempt to substitute a traveler for a 'replacement fee' and if one is secured part of the deposited funds will be refunded.
- To qualify for a 'refundable' cancellation, a written/e-mail request must be made to AFW by dated email or postmarked letter.

** If the trip does not occur because of insufficient enrollment (see above), ALL payments will refunded.*

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