EVANGELICAL CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Madrid, Spain

WHAT TO EXPECT BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER TRAVEL TO SPAIN DURING COVID-19

Before you travel:

- Obtain the appropriate visa from the Spanish consulate for your region. You will not be able to enter Spain at this time without a visa, and the airline will check before you board your international flight.

- Get tested with a PCR test 1-2 days before your trip. Spain's current guidelines require a negative PCR test administered within **72 hours of arrival**. Do some research in advance to find the quickest place to obtain a PCR test. You may show your results electronically or in print.

- Make sure you understand and follow all airline and destination requirements related to travel, testing, or quarantine, which may differ from U.S. requirements.

- Check the COVID-19 situation in your destination. Spain currently requires travelers to complete an online form, which generates a QR code. The QR code can be scanned by airline officials when boarding and at the health and safety checkpoint. At this time, Spain does not require quarantine upon arrival.

While you are traveling:

- Wear a mask over your nose and mouth. Masks are required on planes, buses, trains, and other forms of public transportation traveling into, within, or out of the United States and in U.S. transportation hubs such as airports and stations.
- Avoid crowds and stay at least 6 feet/2 meters (about 2 arm lengths) from anyone who is not traveling with you.
- Wash your hands often or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Keep your COVID PCR test results and QR code handy, as well as your passport. You may need to show these documents several times during your journey.

Once you arrive in Spain:

- ECA has implemented a whole list of COVID-19 prevention strategies (these can be found under the "School Life" section of ECA's website).
- Spain has excellent healthcare services available. Because of Spain's large ex-pat community and tourist volume, many doctors speak English. Spain's single-payer health care system is ranked seventh best in the world by the World Health Organization. The closest medical facilities to ECA's campus are:

    In Alcalá de Henares:
    - Hospital HM Vallés: 24 hour emergency department
    - Hospital Universitario Príncipe de Asturias: Univeristy hospital with 24 hour emergency department