



**Miami Country Day School (Miami, FL) - The English School (Helsinki, Finland)  
Saturday, February 23 - Tuesday, March 5, 2019**

**Saturday, February 23**

**MEET YOU AT THE AIRPORT, TERMINAL 2 AT 12:00.  
Right after the doors in front of Finnair counters.**

- 2:45pm (GMT+2): Depart Helsinki - Finnair AY7  
6:55pm: Arrival at Miami International Airport  
*After you clear customs, we will greet you with a warm Miami welcome! Families will be at the airport to welcome you and take you home after your long flight.*  
Evening: With host family

**Sunday, February 24**

It was a long flight. Sleep in and recover! It's a busy week ahead! Free day with families.

Suggested activities:

- PAMM Art Museum, Frost Science Museum, Vizcaya Museum and Gardens
- Wynwood Walls and Design District, PanIQ Escape room Miami in Wynwood
- Seaquarium
- Beach and boating
- Shopping: Aventura Mall, Brickell City Centre, Sawgrass Mills Mall, Gulfstream

**Monday, February 25**

- 8:00am-8:08am: **Homeroom** with hosts  
8:15am-10:00am: **Welcome Reception and Campus Tour**  
*Alumni Boardroom, Franco Center*  
10:00am-10:15am: Break with MCDS Host  
10:22am-11:11am: **Attend Track 7 class**  
11:18am-12:07pm: **Attend Track 4 class**  
12:14pm-1:03pm: **Attend Track 5 class**  
1:03pm-1:38pm: **Lunch with MCDS Host**  
1:45pm: Depart for Bayside with MCDS Hosts  
401 Biscayne Blvd  
Miami, FL 33132  
2:15pm-2:30pm: Free time at **Bayside Marketplace**  
*Enjoy the heart of shopping, dining, and entertainment in downtown Miami.*  
2:30pm: Check-in time at Thriller Miami Speedboat

- 3:00pm-3:45pm: **Thriller Miami Speedboat Adventure Tour**  
*The 45 minute tour provides the ultimate sightseeing experience in true "Miami Vice Style". See celebrity mansions on Star Island, Fisher Island, Miami Beach and see the Art Deco district of South Beach from Thriller's unique perspective in the Atlantic Ocean.*
- 3:45pm: Depart for Lincoln Rd.
- 4:00pm-5:00pm: Free time and dinner on **Lincoln Rd.**  
*Students will explore, shop, and dine on one of the most famous streets of Miami Beach.*
- 5:00pm-6:30pm: **Dinner** on Lincoln Rd. at **Pizza Rustica or Time Out Food Hall (if open)**
- 6:30pm: Depart for MCDS
- 7:00pm: Arrival at MCDS

## Tuesday, February 26

- 8:00am-8:08am: **Homeroom** with hosts
- 8:15am-9:00am: **Attend Track 1 class (partial)**
- 9:15am: Depart for the University of Miami  
 Coral Gables, FL 33124
- 10:00am-12:00pm: **University of Miami**  
*Get a personal and up close glimpse into this world-renowned university with a Miami Country Day School alum, Sierra M. '17. Free time at the University of Miami Bookstore and lunch on campus.*
- 12:15pm: Depart for the Frost Science Museum
- 1:00pm-3:10pm: **Frost Science Museum**  
 2:40pm: *Planetarium show: Dynamic Earth*  
 1101 Biscayne Blvd.  
 Miami, FL 33132  
*As home to Miami's newest Museum, Frost Science is a way to connect to nature, the environment, and the stars - all in one. Enjoy this hands-on center that is taking Miami by storm!*
- 3:10pm: Depart for MCDS
- 3:30pm: Arrive at MCDS
- Afternoon/Evening: With hosts and families

## Wednesday, February 27

- 8:45am-8:53am: **Homeroom** with hosts
- 9:00am-10:23am: **Attend Track 5 class**
- 10:23am-10:50am: Break
- 10:50am-11:50am: **Assembly**
- 12:00pm: Depart for The Real Food Academy  
 570-A NE 81st St, Miami, FL 33138
- 12:30pm-2:00pm: **The Real Food Academy**  
*Students will learn about healthy cooking and get to prepare their own **lunch** under the direction of expert chefs!*
- 2:15pm: Depart for MCDS
- 2:30pm: Arrive at MCDS
- 2:45pm-3:30pm: **Conversation with Interim Head of School, Mr. Connor**
- 3:30pm: Depart MCDS with host
- 7:00pm: Arrival at American Airlines Arena
- 7:30pm-10:30pm: **Miami Heat Basketball game vs. Golden State Warriors**  
 601 Biscayne Blvd.  
 Miami, FL 33132

10:30pm: Depart for MCDS  
11:00pm: Arrive at MCDS

### Thursday, February 28

#### **Key Largo Excursion**

Includes:

- Theater of the Sea and swimming with the dolphins
- Lunch at Postcard Inn

8:00am: Depart MCDS  
10:00am: Check-in  
10:20am: **Dolphin Swim Orientation**  
10:45am-11:25am: **Dolphin Swim**  
11:30am-1:00pm: Free time at Theater of the Seas  
1:00pm: Walk to Postcard Inn  
1:15pm-2:30pm: **Lunch and time at Postcard Inn**  
2:30pm: Depart for Miami  
4:30pm: Estimated return to MCDS  
Evening: With host and families

### Friday, March 1

8:00am-8:08am: **Homeroom** with hosts  
9:30am-12:30pm: **Everglades Tour**  
Everglades Holiday Park  
21940 Griffin Rd.  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33332  
*This "River of Grass" is South Florida's lungs and what makes it such an important part of the ecosystem of the region. Spend the day out in nature and making friends with some of our most famous neighbors...the alligators! **Lunch** on grounds.*  
12:30pm: Depart for MCDS  
1:15pm: Arrive at MCDS - meet up with Hosts  
1:45pm-2:34pm: **Attend Track 7 class**  
2:41pm-3:30pm: **Attend Track 6 class**  
3:30pm: Depart with MCDS Host  
Afternoon/Evening: With host and families

### Saturday, March 2

Free day with families

### Sunday, March 3

Morning/Afternoon: With host and families  
7:00pm-10:00pm: **Waitress - Broadway Musical**  
*Inspired by Adrienne Shelly's beloved film, WAITRESS tells the story of Jenna - a waitress and expert pie maker, Jenna dreams of a way out of her small town and loveless marriage. A baking contest in a nearby county and the town's new doctor may offer her a chance at a fresh start, while her fellow waitresses offer their own recipes for happiness. But Jenna must summon the strength and courage to rebuild her own life.*

## Monday, March 4

- 8:00am-8:08am: **Homeroom** with hosts
- 8:15am-12:00pm: **"What's it like to live in Finland?" Culture Sessions**
- 8:15am-12:00pm: 4 MS Seminar Classes with Ms. De La Cadena, *MS Seminar Room*  
(Group 1: 6 students)
  - 8:10am-8:40am: Ms. Lee's 2nd Grade Class, *LS112*  
(Group 2: 5 students)
  - 9:10am-9:30am: Ms. Brett's SK Class, *LS101*  
(Group 2: 5 students)
  - 9:30am-10:00am: Ms. Ortiz' 1st Grade Class, *LS107*  
(Group 2: 5 students)
  - 10:00am-10:30am: Ms. Davis' 4th grade class  
(Group 2: 5 students)
- 11:45am-12:30pm: **Lunch at MCDS**
- 12:30pm: Depart for **Design District**  
St. Roch Market  
140 NE 39th St. Suite #241  
Miami, FL 33137
- 1:00pm-3:00pm: **Design District and Art Installation Food Tour**  
*The once-overlooked area of the Design District is now a vibrant destination with magnificent modern architecture and breathtaking art installations on public areas. Savor your way through the neighborhoods while we tour tapas-style.*
- 4:00pm-5:00pm: Free time in the Design District
- 5:00pm: Depart for MCDS
- 5:30pm: Arrive at MCDS
- Evening: With host and families

## Tuesday, March 5

- 8:00am-8:08am: **Homeroom** with hosts
- 8:15am-9:38am: **Broadcasting Studio with MS class**
- 9:38am-10:20am: **Multipurpose Block with Hosts**
- 10:27am-11:50am: **Attend Track 2 class**
- 11:57am-1:20am: **Program Evaluation and Wrap Up Reflection**
- 1:20pm-2:00pm: **Farewell Lunch at MCDS, Alumni Boardroom, Franco Center**
- 2:07pm-3:30pm: **Attend Track 4 class**
- 3:30pm: Depart MCDS
- 6:15pm: Arrive at Miami International Airport. Meet at Finnair ticket counter.
- 8:45pm: Depart MIA for Helsinki, Finnair AY8