



Kaplan International Center

Philadelphia



Kaplan International Center Philadelphia offers a newly remodelled facility with an extensive library of self-study material to be used in the center. The self-study material includes print, audio, and video materials as well as access to programs in the computer lab. The center provides international students with free wifi Internet access.

Philadelphia is a diverse city, rich in American heritage and the Arts. Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell are just a few examples of the wonders Philadelphia has to offer students. Boutiques, museums, restaurants, and the diverse culture create a feeling that Philadelphia is home to anyone who visits. Philadelphia is the home of over ten highly competitive universities including the University of Pennsylvania.



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Kaplan International Center Philadelphia
1528 Walnut Street, 1st Floor
Philadelphia
PA 19102
USA

Kaplan International Centers in the USA are accredited by the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training.

Kaplan International Centers is a member of TESOL (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages) and NAFA (Association for International Educators).



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Center Facilities

Classrooms

Kaplan International Center Philadelphia has 10 classrooms. All classrooms are clean and spacious with plenty of room for students to spread out.

Multimedia and IT center

In Kaplan International Center Philadelphia there are computer labs that students may use for studying and testing.

Library

Our lending library has a wide variety of textbooks, dictionaries, specific-skill texts and reference materials for students to use for additional practice. We also have multimedia self-study materials for students to borrow and use during their structured study hours.

Student Lounge

The center has a student lounge with free Internet access. There is also a microwave and refrigerator for student use.

Cafeteria

Cafés such as Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts, and Bistros are all in walking distance from Kaplan. In the center there are vending machines, a toaster oven, several microwaves, a refrigerator and a lounge with seating where students can eat their lunch and snacks.

Sports facilities

There are sports facilities near the center such as playing fields for baseball, soccer, hockey and American football and a swimming pool.

Gym facilities

Students can join independent gym facilities, such as Bally Total Fitness. Bally's is located 1 block from the school and is a full facility monthly membership gym and fitness club with additional spinning, yoga, pilates and aerobics classes. The Sweat Gym is also located nearby - only several blocks away from the Kaplan Center on 23rd and Walnut. It offers cardio classes, personal training, weight rooms and yoga. Membership is required.

Activities/Social Program

Kaplan provides a varied calendar of free-time activities. The activities are led by a member of the Kaplan staff and will help you to meet new people and discover the city.



Classroom



Computer lab

Your first day

On the first day of your course you need to report to the Kaplan International Center, which is located on the 1528 Walnut Street, 1st Floor, at 9:30 am. Your first day will be a Monday unless there is a national holiday on the Monday - in which case your first day will be Tuesday.

Your course will begin with an all-day introduction, which will include:

- Collecting documents
- Welcome new students
- Tour of the Kaplan center
- Orientation folders, enrollment agreements, student visa information
- Placement tests

Please bring the following with you:

- Passport and I-94 form (paper you will receive upon arrival to the USA)
- I-20 form (Certificate of Eligibility), if required
- Proof of health insurance, if required
- Your address in the USA
- Course payment/voucher, if available
- All your Kaplan documents and a pen and paper for notetaking purposes.

At the end of the day you will receive information about your class schedule, classroom number, study level, specific skills, and the hours you are to attend class. You will be assigned the most appropriate class for your level of English.

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Local Information

Transport - buses and trains

Philadelphia's transportation system is known as SEPTA (Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority). Students can reach the center by commuting in on the Blue and Orange Subway Lines, the Regional Rails, and/or the bus system.

Banks and Post Office

The nearest post office is located on 1513 Broad Street.

Restaurants and cafés

Kaplan International Center Philadelphia is located a block away from some of the finest restaurants in the city as well as some of the best pizza places. You can walk up and down Walnut Street to pick your favorite!

Department stores and supermarkets

There are many shops like Apple, Barnes and Noble, and Wawa located just a few blocks away. Trader Joe's is located on 2121 Market Street. Whole Foods is located on South and Pennsylvania Avenue. Small convenience stores can be located on almost every block.

Telephone and Internet Café

There are many cafes and coffee shops in the neighborhood that offer free wifi internet access.



The famous Liberty Bell



Philadelphia Ritz Carlton



Philadelphia



Enjoy a truly international learning environment

Cost of Living

Approximate prices in USD (subject to change)

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| Sandwich | \$6.50 |
| Lunch | \$8 |
| Hamburger | \$6.50 |
| Meal in restaurant | \$15-20 |
| Tea/Coffee | \$2-3 |

Transit (Bus, Subway, Trolley) Tickets:
2 Tokens for \$3.10

Sample Activities Schedule

Please note that this is a sample program and activities may change.

Week one

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| Monday | Welcome new students! |
| Tuesday | Shopping |
| Wednesday | Movie night |
| Thursday | Tour of the University of Pennsylvania |
| Friday | Weekend trips to New York City and Washington D.C |

Week two

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| Monday | Visit to Aquarium |
| Tuesday | Movie night |
| Wednesday | Shopping |
| Thursday | Visit to Ritz Movie Theaters |
| Friday | Tour of Independence Mall & historic sights |

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Transfer Information

Kaplan Transfers

If you have booked a Kaplan transfer, you will give us details of your arrival time, and a driver will be sent to meet you at the arrivals gate of Philadelphia airport. You will receive a document to confirm this before you leave home. The Kaplan transfer service must be booked and paid for in advance.

Independent Transfers

From Philadelphia city center to the Kaplan center:

Take I-95 South to the Philadelphia International Airport Exit or I-76 East following signs for the Philadelphia International Airport.

If you would like to arrange your own airport transfer on arrival, you can call Lady Liberty, airport transportation company. The company can arrange pick ups within 15-20 minutes and you can pay the company directly:

Airport Transportation Company

Lady Liberty, +1-215-724-8888



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