### Passport Application & Travel Documents

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| **Apply in person for a U.S. Passport at the Post Office or another location that will accept passport applications as soon as possible.** Bring Certified U.S. Birth Certificate, completed forms, parent(s) and passport photos. Do not sign forms until asked to do so. Bring front and back copies of parent’s drivers licenses and students birth certificate. Bring student’s old passport if he/she has one. One parent must attend for youth age 16 & 17. Both parents must attend for youth younger than 16, or provide notarized consent form from the non-attending parent. **Youth who are not citizens of the United States should contact the South African Consulate in Los Angeles and the Consulate of their country of citizenship for questions about obtaining a passport and/or a visa for travel to South Africa.** | **Passport Application Location & Hours:** Beach Center Station Post Office 316 Olive Ave., Huntington Beach CA 92648 Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am – 3:00pm. Please call (714) 536-4973 for information. To find a complete list of passport application locations near you, [Click here.](http://travel.state.gov/passport/forms/forms_847.html#)** **Passport Timing:** Apply as soon as possible. Color passport copies must be turned in on Friday, April 3, 2020. It takes four to six weeks to process a passport. Expedited passports can be processed in two to three weeks for an additional $60. **Passport Fees:** $135 for 16 and 17 year old youth | In addition to Passports, students are required to carry the following documents while traveling to South Africa:  

**A. Parental Consent Affidavit** Both parents are required to complete, and have notarized, three [Affidavits of Consent for Children Traveling Abroad](http://www.gpsafrica.org/consular_services/consular_affidavits.html) – The affidavits should be filled out with information for 1 – the teacher accompanying the students, 2 – the second adult accompanying the students, and 3 – Mankwe Wildlife Reserve scientist or reserve manager. Students who plan to travel with an affidavit from only one parent must carry a legal document showing the single parent has sole legal and physical custody, or a legal document showing the second parent is deceased.  

**B. Official Certified Copy of Unabridged Birth Certificate** While traveling, students are required to carry an original or an “official certified copy” of an “unabridged birth certificate.” An unabridged birth certificate identifies the parents of the child on the birth certificate. A child born to a single mother, without a father identified on the birth certificate, is also considered an unabridged birth certificate.  

**C. Color Copy of Each Parent’s Identification** Passports are preferred. Current driver’s licenses are second choice documents. |