

## Passport Services

Dear Student or Parent,

Below you will find information about two agencies that assist in the expedition of U.S. passports. Please note that the Consortium Office does not endorse any of these services but colleagues have recommended these services to us. If you have any questions regarding the following agencies, please contact them directly for more specific information. All information provided below was current as of 12/11/2007 so please see the websites provided for up-to-date information.

– *The Consortium Staff*

### **Passportsandvisas.com**

Website: <http://passportsandvisas.com/>

Phone: 800-860-8610

Passportsandvisas.com can expedite passport applications for U.S. citizens. Please note that their website provides visa application service but, they can not expedite any student visa applications for Italy (see the Visa packet you received in your acceptance packet for any Visa-related questions).

This company works with passport agencies to expedite applications in as little as 24 hours. They charge a fee on top of the normal fee charged by the government for an expedited passport. This fee ranges anywhere from approximately \$70-\$200 depending on the speed of their service. They also charge a fee for the return FedEx package.

Passportsandvisas.com will refund both the government fee and their fee if you do not receive your passport in time for your departure. The website provides very clear instructions about how to prepare the necessary documents and ship them via FedEx. *Highlight:* You can track your passport online, so you know its status in real-time.

### **Rushmypassport.com**

Website: <http://www.rushmypassport.com>

Phone: 866-682-1505

Rushmypassport.com can expedite passport applications for U.S. citizens. They work with passport agencies to expedite applications in as little as 24 hours. They charge a fee on top of the normal fee charged by the government for an expedited passport. This fee ranges anywhere from approximately \$100-\$300 depending on the speed of their service. They also charge a fee for shipping (approximately \$30).

The website provides the appropriate forms for applying for your passport. You can track your passport package online.

A consortium staff member's mother used this service and was very pleased with the customer service. She got her passport renewal in 24 hours via FedEx Saturday delivery by noon which was perfect because her flight was at 5pm that evening.