

Valdosta-Lowndes Delegation Visiting Schedule

Leave U.S.A.: June 1 or 2 ... Depends on airfares

Arrive Chia-Yi City: Friday, June 3, to meet the host family in Chia-Yi

Six-day field trip touring Central Taiwan: Monday, June 13 – Friday, June 17

Leave Chia-Yi City: Saturday afternoon, June 25, to meet host family in Taipei

Six-day field trip touring Northern Taiwan and Capital Taipei:

Sunday, June 26 – Friday, July 1

Leave Taiwan to return to U.S.A.: Saturday, July 2

This trip offers:

- (1) **9 days** of school visits - One middle school, three high schools, one university and one day to serve the most rural and under-served middle school in ChiaYi County.
- (2) **6 days** of field trip with host family to explore Southern Taiwan
- (3) **6 days** of field trip with delegation members to explore Central Taiwan
- (4) **6 days** of field trip with delegation members to explore Northern Taiwan and Capital Taipei

(To know the places we will tour for the field trips, visit <http://puileng.travellerspoint.com/16/> to see many of the places and story. Also watch www.youtube.com/educationexchange for the hosting country, city, schools and the field trip details to central Taiwan)

- (5) One Welcoming Banquet -

Valdosta-Lowndes Delegation members may need to prepare performances presenting American culture.... ChiaYi City VIP, many media, newspapers and TV stations will all attend.

- (6) One Farewell Banquet -

Will present the performance involves host family members and school students. There will many opportunities for all students to practice together. ChiaYi City VIP, many media, newspapers and TV stations will all attend.

Dates	Activities
January, 2011	<p>Must purchase airline tickets. Price: \$1,200 - \$1,500</p> <p>Must have \$1,500 ready to pay for the airline ticket.</p>
March 1, 2011	<p>Apply for passport: Cost \$140.00 It will take 4 – 6 weeks.</p>
March – May, 2011	<p>Practice the performances for Welcoming and Farewell Banquets.</p> <p>Prepare to be Valdosta-Lowndes’ best American ambassador!!</p>
Late May – Early June, 2011	<p>AIFF project director, Serena Huang, would like to conduct on-site visits at Chia-Yi City’s hosting schools and families:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) To examine hosting arrangements (2) To review the schedule and activities with schools and host families. (3) To discuss the opening welcome and dinner banquet of gratitude at the end of the programs.
<p>Thursday, June 2, 2011 Valdosta-Lowndes Delegation leaves from Valdosta or Atlanta airport.</p> <p><u>Bring with you:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) \$300 for allowances (2) \$250 for Central Taiwan field trip (3) \$250 for Northern Taiwan field trip (4) Two luggage allowed for international flight Weight limit: 50 lbs. <p>Arrive Taiwan International Airport on Friday, June 3.</p>	<p>There will be one AIFF staff, the Assistant Project Director for the IEP, travel with the delegation. We hope there will be at least one faculty member from Valdosta-Lowndes County School Systems to join the trip. However, if not, the project director will stay to accompany the delegation to fly Taiwan.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Meet & Greet</u></p> <p>AIFF staff, Mrs. Serena Huang, will welcome Valdosta-Lowndes delegation at the airport and transport guests to Chia-Yi City which is 2 hours away from the airport.</p> <p>Host families will meet and pick up the guests in the Chia-Yi City.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, June 4 & Sunday, June 5 & Monday, June 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Host families</u> Spend the days with the host families to experience Taiwanese way of life.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Enjoy the Dragon Boat Festival!!</p>
<p>(1st School Visit) Tuesday, June 7 & Wednesday, June 8: Visit Ming-Sheng Jr. High School</p> <p>(2nd School Visit) Thursday, June 9 & Friday, June 10: Visit Singang Arts High School</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>You may be surprised to learn the instructional styles presented by Taiwan’s teachers and the level of textbook materials adopted. You may also be most amazed to learn how the students’ lives are defined in an Eastern society. See how these high schools’ graduation rate are all 100%... What is their magic wand that ALL students in Taiwan so desire to learn and pursue for higher education?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">You will need to tell us all stories!!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>School Visit:</u> <u>Cultural and Educational Immersions</u></p> <p>(1) You are welcomed to visit different levels and types of schools and classrooms. You will interact with the students during class visits.... All students speak English in Taiwan.</p> <p>(2) You may be assigned as English assistants to help native students practice English and to interact with students in the English classrooms.</p> <p>(3) YOU MUST WELL- PREPARE FOR MANY PRESENTATIONS!! Discuss American value, culture, your school, background, hobby, religion, lifestyle, extra-curriculum activities, education system....etc.</p> <p>(4) You are invited to join in any extra-curriculum classes of your interest. You may learn many new skills from this trip.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, June 11 & Sunday, June 12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Field trips with host families to explore Southern Taiwan including ChiaYi, Yunlin & Tainan</p>
<p><u>Day 1:</u> Monday, June 13 LuKang/Folk Arts Museum – TaiChung County Arts Center – WuChi Fishing Harbor - FengJia Night Market</p> <p><u>Day 2:</u> Tuesday, June 14 National Museum of Natural Sciences – 9/21/1999 Earthquake Museum & Education Center – PuLi Paper Mill – PuLiWine Brewing House and Showroom</p> <p><u>Day 3:</u> Wednesday, June 15 QingJing Farm</p> <p><u>Day 4:</u> Thursday, June 16 Sun Moon Lake</p> <p><u>Day 5:</u> Friday, June 17 Hsitou Forrest Recreation Area</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SIX-Day Field Trip to Central Taiwan including Nantou, Changhua & Taichung</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lodging: Hotels</p>

<p>Day 6: Saturday, June 18 LuGu Township Tea Culture Experience – NeiHu Elementary School (Fascinating) Return to ChiaYi City in the evening to have dinner with host family.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, June 19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Field trips with host families to explore Southern Taiwan including ChiaYi, Yunlin & Tainan</p>
<p>(3rd School Visit) Monday, June 20 & Tuesday, June 21: ChiaYi Industrial High School</p> <p>(4th School Visit) Thursday, June 23 & Friday, June 24: ChiaYi Commercial High School</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.</p> <p>You may be surprised to learn the instructional styles presented by Taiwan’s teachers and the level of textbook materials adopted. You may also be most amazed to learn how the students’ lives are defined in an Eastern society. See how these high schools’ graduation rate are all 100%... What is their magic wand that ALL students in Taiwan so desire to learn and pursue for higher education?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">You will need to tell us all stories!!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>School Visit:</u> Cultural and Educational Immersions</p> <p>(1) You are welcomed to visit different levels and types of schools and classrooms. You will interact with the students during class visits.... All students speak English in Taiwan.</p> <p>(2) You may be assigned as English assistants to help native students practice English and to interact with students in the English classrooms.</p> <p>(3) YOU MUST WELL- PREPARE FOR MANY PRESENTATIONS!! Discuss American value, culture, your school, background, hobby, religion, lifestyle, extra- curriculum activities, education system....etc.</p> <p>(4) You are invited to join in any extra-curriculum classes of your interest. You may learn many new skills from this trip.</p>
<p>(5th School Visit) Wednesday, June 22: 8:00 – 1:00: A service day for the Chia-Yi County’s most rural & under-served middle school 1:00 - 5:00: WuFeng University</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">School Service Day!!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, June 25 Farewell to host families!! Will need to pack up luggage and leave for Taipei after lunch.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Will meet Taipei’s host families in Taipei Railroad Station.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Farewell Banquet and Performance</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Day 1:</u> Sunday, June 26</p>	<p>Spend the days with the host families to experience Taipei value and way of life.</p>

<p><u>Day 2:</u> Monday, June 27 Eastern Taipei's TWO major commercial districts: <u>XinYi District:</u> Taipei 101, Eslite Bookstore, Taipei Mahantan and Taipei Discovery!! <u>SongShan District:</u> Wufenpu Garment Wholesale Market & Raohe Street Night Market</p> <p><u>Day 3:</u> Tuesday, June 28 YiLan County Traditional Arts Center & Northeastern Coast</p> <p><u>Day 4:</u> Wednesday, June 29 ASUS Computer Manufacturer – GuanDu Bicycle Ride – DanShui Old Street and Harbor</p> <p><u>Day 5:</u> Thursday, June 30 NeiHu Tzu-Chi Recycling Center – National Palace Museum – Hot Spring – ShiLin Night Market</p> <p><u>Day 6:</u> Friday, July 1 Chiang, Kai-Shek Memorial Hall / Observe Taiwan's unique morning exercise culture – Nan-Men Traditional Market –Wanhua Commercial District. LungShan Temple & Bopiliao Historic Area - Ximending Pedestrian Only Area</p> <p><u>5:00 – 7:30 p.m.:</u> Farewell Dinner at TASTY Steakhouse (BIG YUMMY!!)</p> <p><u>8:00 p.m.:</u> TAIPEIEYE show http://www.go2taiwan.net/monthly_selection.php?sqno=39</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Field Trip to Northern Taiwan and Taipei City</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Big Exploration & Inspiration!!</p>
<p>Saturday, July 2</p>	<p>Leave Taiwan. Return to the U.S.</p>