



FACES & OUR CULTURES

CULTURAL
PROGRAM IN
GUATEMALA



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ABOUT FACES & OUR CULTURES

Faces & Our Cultures is a student exchange program that provides students with the tools and the opportunities to experience another culture, its language and its people, and to achieve personal growth.

QUICK FACTS:

- Founded in 2006 - 16 years of experience
- Partners with +100 private schools in the U.S.
- Partners with +40 schools in Guatemala
- +2000 cultural exchange experiences

GUATEMALA SUMMER PROGRAM

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Our U.S. ambassadors experience the Guatemalan culture, first-hand, by sharing with a host family and participating in social, educational, and sporting activities. During their stay, participants attend a private, bilingual school in Guatemala and stay with a carefully selected host family.

Faces & Our Cultures also offers an optional two-day tour of Guatemala's best known archeological and historical sites.



PROFILE OF OUR PARTICIPANTS

- Boys and girls between the ages of 11 and 17 who value cultural enrichment and diversity,
- With a desire to learn and grow through experiences
- Eager to make new friends, step out of their comfort zone, and share their culture with others.

WHERE

Guatemala, Central America

- Attending one of our private, bilingual partner schools while living with a Faces host family.

WHEN

Our participants can choose a two-week, three-week, or four-week experience on the following dates:

July 2022:

2 weeks: July 2nd - July 17th

3 weeks: July 2nd - July 24th

4 weeks: July 2nd - July 31st

COORDINATOR SUPPORT

During their 2-4 week stay, the students will have the support of a Guatemalan coordinator. Our team is committed to providing our participants with a positive and enriching experience. We are in constant communication with our partner schools, host families, U.S. ambassadors, and their U.S. families to support our participants and make this experience a treasured memory.

BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING:

- A broader perspective of the world and other cultures
- Improvement of Spanish language skills
- Increased independence and self-confidence
- Improved social skills
- A step toward becoming a global leader



INCLUDES

- Logistics and arrangements for the visit
- Selected host family with a similarly-aged host brother or sister
- Attendance at a private, bilingual school (2 – 4 weeks)
 - School materials and field trips
 - Access to extracurricular activities
 - Faces sweatshirt
- International medical insurance - 100% medical coverage
- Full-time Coordinator support – School visits and phone communication
- Welcome Kit
- Faces & Our Cultures Certificate of Recognition

THE PROCESS

- 1 Application Form:** Students apply to participate with the Faces & Our Cultures program by contacting their local school representative in the U.S.
 - Complete the application form.
- 2 Preparation Process:** Applicants must complete a preparation process that aims to provide the tools for a successful experience.
- 3 Request of Final Documents:** Upon receipt of the student's application, the Guatemala coordinator will send the final documents required by the program and the schools in Guatemala to be completed by the applicant.
- 4 Host Family Recruitment:** The Program will recruit the host family in Guatemala.
- 5 School Arrangements:** The Program will make arrangements at a private, bilingual school in Guatemala for the student (where his/her host attends).
- 6 Starting Communication between Families:** The student and his/her family in the U.S. will receive the host family and school information at least one month before the program begins.
- 7 Summer Program Experience:** The student will be met upon his/her arrival in Guatemala to begin the cultural exchange program.



OPTIONAL TOURS AND ACTIVITIES



Visit to: Petén - Tikal "The Mayan World"

Round-trip air transportation from Guatemala City to Petén
Visit and guided tour of the Mayan archeological site: Tikal National Park



Community Service Activities (Optional)

Each group will have the opportunity to engage in a community service activity. These initiatives aim to make a positive impact in Guatemala.

NEXT STEPS

If you are considering this experience...

Reach out to your school's Faces representative or contact us directly at:

summerprogram@facesandcultures.com

We are happy to provide more information and answer any questions you might have.



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