

# Greek Summer

Summer Program for High School students



AMERICAN  
FARM SCHOOL  
Thessaloniki · Greece

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Experience is clearly the new cultural capital – and rewards in many ways those young people who have reached out to learn. Today colleges ask less about student activities and competitive honors than about their depth of character - their life choices, commitment to others, and genuine involvement in social change. They seek leaders and risk-takers ready to give of themselves - while finding themselves along the journey.

For almost 40 years, the American Farm School in Thessaloniki Greece has run a program that has been helping students meet such challenges. Greek Summer is an excellent choice for students eager to explore the world and themselves, to make a difference today and develop their potential to be change makers in college and in the world.

Greek Summer participants have an opportunity for hands-on learning in sustainable living and agriculture during their ten days on our working farm. Our farm is nestled on the Aegean Sea and looks out to Mount Olympus. A particularly meaningful part of the program is the family stay in a traditional Greek village where students spend days exploring village life, conducting community service projects and developing relationships with their Greek families and villagers that can last a lifetime. While changing the lives of their hosts, they change their own lives and perceptions - making this summer more than a simple vacation.



We are in Greece so experiences extend beyond the farm and village to engage in the rich culture and history that surrounds them. Students summit Mount Olympus and sail the Aegean to visit sites and people on some of the most beautiful islands in Greece. Their time in Greece fittingly closes with bicycling around Athens in the shadow of the Acropolis.

Our past participants have viewed their time in the program as life changing and cherish memories and relationships developed with other participants and with their Greek families. This experience is like no other, Greek Summer will give your students something to remember and share with friends, family – and colleges.

We are always happy to answer any questions from students, parents, teachers, or counselors.

Thank you,



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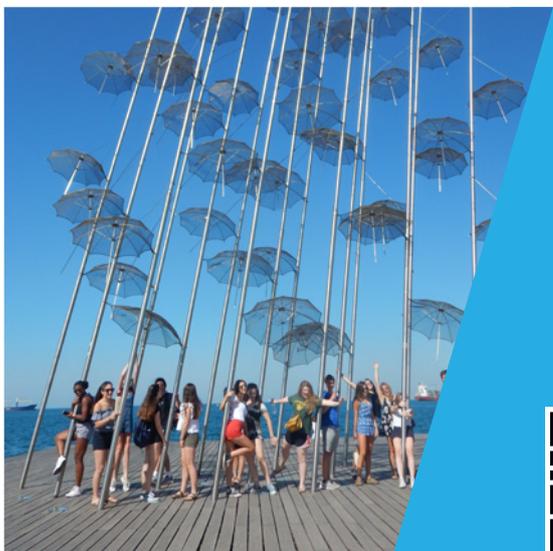
# SOME INTERESTING FACTS

REGARDING THE AMERICAN FARM SCHOOL - [WWW.AFS.EDU.GR](http://WWW.AFS.EDU.GR)

AFS is the oldest American-founded educational institution in Greece and was one of the first institutions to host Fulbright Scholars (1948) - and has hosted many since. USDA has only two research programs in Europe, one in France and one on AFS campus.

Dedicated to a learn-by-doing approach to education in the areas of agriculture, the environment, and other life sciences related to our sustainable future, AFS was also among the first institutions worldwide to establish an obligatory community service component.

Building on more than a century of developing stewards of the land, we prepare future leaders who value the wise use of natural resources, preservation of the environment, the application of life sciences to solving problems, and effective utilization of information technology. Short term courses include: cheese-making, wine-making, beer brewing, organic gardening, snail farming, bee-keeping, and much more.



For more information or to schedule meeting with an Alumni Ambassador, contact Greek Summer Admissions at [greeksummer@afs.edu.gr](mailto:greeksummer@afs.edu.gr)

**The dates for  
Greek Summer 2019 are June 28 to July 28**

*Applications for 2019 are due March 1st*

