

Make an Impact in Costa Rica! Global Education Squads



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MONROE TWP HIGH SCHOOL VOLUNTEER & CULTURAL IMMERSION TRIP JULY 13-22, 2019

DAY 1: GUANACASTE ARRIVAL AND ORIENTATION- Your group flies into Liberia's Daniel Oduber Quiros International Airport (LIR) located in Costa Rica's Pacific northwest Nicoya Peninsula where our staff greet and transport the group 30 minutes to the Home-base located just outside the quaint colonial city of Santa Cruz. Time-permitting take a walking tour of the local area and return to the home-base for a delicious dinner and orientation about the country and upcoming volunteer assignment.

DAYS 2-6 GLOBAL EDUCATION PROJECTS- For the next two weeks each weekday morning from Monday to Friday, your group will volunteer in a school or daycare to improve educational outcomes through classroom support and small construction projects. In addition to providing valuable tutoring and classroom instruction, the group will complete a much needed small construction project such as building bookshelves, furniture, courtyards, playground equipment, and painting educational murals. Enjoy recreational and cultural exchange activities with the students each day.

AFTERNOON CULTURAL ACTIVITIES- Each weekday afternoon enjoy guided cultural and adventure activities. Cultural activities include a community tour and scavenger hunt, visit to a dairy farm to milk cows, cooking lessons, a pottery workshop, latin dance lesson, visit to an animal rescue sanctuary, surf lesson, and level- appropriate Spanish lessons.



22+ YEARS OF THE SAFEST AND HIGHEST QUALITY STUDENT GROUP VOLUNTEER TRIPS

HOME-BASE ACCOMMODATIONS

At the Home-Base, you'll enjoy authentic local cuisine, connect with CCS staff, and enjoy your downtime. Volunteers stay in same-sex rooms with private bathrooms. One room accommodates 4-10 people. Private rooms for teachers /chaperones are typical, but this is based on request and availability.

STAFFING

Our incredible team will be on call to support you every step of the way—including Country Director Jose Hernandez, as well as expertly-trained CCS cooks, security guards, house managers, and drivers. A CCS leader will be assigned to the group at all times.

COMMUNICATION

Our staff can be reached 24/7 in the event of an emergency. Students will have the opportunity to access the internet and landlines for set periods of time on most evenings. Trip updates may be posted on our blog for friends and family to follow along.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

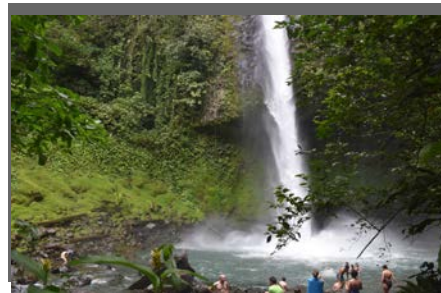
Individual Program Contribution includes all expenses including *estimated airfare, meals, lodging, transport, scheduled activities, staffing, travel medical insurance, and volunteer project support. CCS requires a minimum of one teacher/chaperone for every nine students enrolled. One free chaperone is provided with 5 or more, 2 free with 6-16, 3 free for 17 or more students. Group airfare (estimated \$700-900 per person) is included in the individual program contribution and will be confirmed in October 2018.

DAYS 7-9: LA FORTUNA ZIPLINE, HOT SPRINGS, WATERFALL & ARENAL VOLCANO NATL PARK

The group will embark on a two night excursion to La Fortuna-Arenal Volcano Natl Park. Arrive at your hotel and relax in the one of La Fortuna's many restorative natural hot springs. The following day explore the rainforest and wildlife through an exhilarating Skytrek zip-line adventure. In the afternoon venture to the stunning La Fortuna Waterfall for a hike into the falls and a swim in the natural pool below.

DAY 10: RETURN HOME

Embark on a return flight home. Friends and family will love to hear of the many exciting stories, friendships, and discoveries you made in Costa Rica!



FEES, DUE DATES, AND HOW TO ENROLL

Individual Program Contribution: \$2450 per student including roundtrip airfare*

**estimate cost per student based on 2018 airfare prices, final price likely not to exceed quoted price but tbd October 2018*

Group Project Contribution: \$1500 as a group towards the host enrichment project.

Due Dates: Application & \$350 deposit due October 15, 2018, balance due 80 and 40 days prior

How to Enroll: Online @ www.empowered.org/Monroe-Twp-High-School

www.squads.ngo

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