

MAKING YOU READY FOR TOMORROW

<u>July 15 (Day 1)</u>

Depart China with other team members.

Greeted in Raleigh, North Carolina, by Guy Armstrong, the director of STEAM.

We will get something to eat and then travel from the airport to our group Airbnb. Settle in and get a good night's sleep.



<u>July 16 (Day 2)</u>

Breakfast in the Airbnb (U.S traditional breakfast options such as pancakes, eggs, waffles, cereals, yoghurts, fruit and juices)

Travel to Campbell University. Welcome from Campbell University senior leaders. STEAM orientation with Mr. Guy. Guy will cover STEAM itinerary, health, safety, customs, and manners on the program.



We will eat lunch in the student cafeteria.

Jet lag will be bad for team members, so in the afternoon we will divide into teams and participate in something called a "scavenger hunt." You will be placed on teams and given assignments to complete as a team. Assignments may include:

- 1. Take a picture of your team trying on sunglasses.
- 2. Take a picture of your team riding a carousel.

3. Take a picture of your team sharing ice cream.

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We will eat dinner at the shopping area and return to Airbnb for the night. Pack our overnight bags for Washington, DC., before going to bed.

<u>July 17 (Day 3)</u>

Early breakfast in the Airbnb before departing for Washington, DC., at 7:30 am.

Drive to Alexandria, Virginia, where we will have lunch at a Chinese buffet and meet our tour guide, Bernie. Bernie is an experienced tour guide who has worked with Mr. Armstrong for years, hosting Chinese students and children and sharing his vast knowledge of Washington, DC., and her history.

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After lunch we will drive to Washington, DC., and begin our tour, visiting such famous places: Washington Monument, Jefferson Memorial, Lincoln Memorial and view the White House (where you will meet President Joe Biden. *I'm joking @*





For dinner, we will eat at an American buffet restaurant before checking into a hotel for the night.



<u>July 18 (Day 4)</u>

We will eat breakfast at the hotel before returning to Washington, DC., for the day. Today, we will visit the Capitol Building and some famous museums: Air and Space, Smithsonian and the Museum of Natural History. Lunch will be eaten in the Capitol Building cafeteria.





For dinner, we will have our choice of food from the Pentagon Mall's food court. This mall is one of the finest in the area.



You will have time to shop there until we depart for the hotel and a good night's sleep.

<u>July 19 (Day 5)</u>

We will eat breakfast in the hotel before driving to King's Dominion and Soak City amusement parks

(<u>https://www.kingsdominion.com/</u>). King's Dominion is a world class park.





We will spend approximately four hours in the parks before driving the remaining 3.5 hours to the Raleigh area.

July 20 (Day 6)

Today, we will visit two very fine U.S universities: Duke and North Carolina State. First, we will drive approximately one hour to Durham, North Carolina, the home of Duke University. Duke is consistently ranked in the top 10 for U.S universities.



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We will eat lunch at Duke before driving to Raleigh, where we will visit North Carolina State University, a top engineering university in the U.S. Mr. Armstrong will tour you through their famous, Hunt Library.





You will be absolutely amazed at the technology used in this library!

For dinner, we will eat at a popular local eatery, Bojangles. They are well known in the region for their slightly spicy seasonings on chicken, French fries, and rice. Our former students from China have loved Bojangles (3)

We will then return to our lodging for the night.

<u>July 21 (Day 7)</u>

Today, please wear regular school type clothing as we will be touring some local kindergarten-12th grade schools in the area. First, we will tour a highly rated private school in Raleigh, Ravenscroft. <u>https://www.ravenscroft.org/</u> If class is in session, you may have opportunity to sit in class with some of their regular students. Mr. Armstrong will introduce you to a Chinese family that has enrolled a couple of their children there. Parents can speak with Miss ZhenRong in Chinese to ask any questions they might have about Ravenscroft.



After lunch, we will participate in a volunteering activity. A portion of your payment for the program will be donated to a non-profit (Rise Against Hunger: <u>https://www.riseagainsthunger.org/</u>) That money will buy the resources we will use to package meals to be sent to those without adequate food somewhere in the world. We will participate in the assembling of those meals. STEAM participants will receive a Certificate of Accomplishment for this volunteer activity.



<u>July 22 (Day 8)</u>

We will eat breakfast in our Airbnb. For those who wish, parents and children will have the opportunity to stay with a host family on this day and continuing on until the end of the program.



Host families are successful people from many different walks of life. The host family experience is a first-hand opportunity to learn about American culture. Some STEAM participants will live in a family, alone, while others will be paired with another participant. On rare occasions, as many as three participants may stay with one family. Host families are as diverse as America. You may be hosted by a Caucasian or minority, a family with many children or no children. Either way, you will find this an interesting and educational experience.

For those wishing to stay with Mr. Guy and Mr. Ricky in the Airbnb, we will have a day of shopping at Raleigh's most famous mall: <u>https://shopcrabtree.com/</u>



For those staying in Airbnb, we will return to the Airbnb for dinner or eat on the way back.

<u>July 23 (Day 9)</u>

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STEAM will take a day trip to Carolina Beach, which is approximately 2.5 hours away. <u>https://carolina-</u> beach.wilmingtonandbeaches.com/



We will eat on the famous boardwalk and have lots of opportunities to play in the sand and ocean.

Late afternoon, we will return to Raleigh, stopping to eat dinner along the way.

<u>July 24 (Day 10)</u>

Today, begins our STEM Camp at Campbell University. We will eat at the Airbnb, but then drive to Campbell where we will participate in the STEM Camp, from 9:00 am-2:30 pm.

This camp will be facilitated by faculty from the School of Engineering at Campbell University. Lunch will be provided at camp.



Parents will check their children into camp, then join a week of special activities designed for them, while their children are at camp.

Today, parents will visit downtown Raleigh, visiting some of the museums of interest and viewing an historic area where the state's capital resides.



Parents will eat lunch downtown, near the capital building.



Children will be picked up after camp. Tonight's dinner will be on the campus of Campbell University in their dining hall.

July 25 (Day 11)

Breakfast in the Airbnb or home and check in for STEM camp at 9:00 am. Camp will again run from 9:00 am-2:30 pm, with lunch provided.



Parents' activity for today will be touring homes for sale in the area. We will meet with a local realtor who will show us some of the different homes as well as pricing for homes in the area.



After camp, we will again dine in the Campbell student cafeteria before returning to our homes for the night.

<u>July 26 (Day 12)</u>

Breakfast in your home, proceeding to check in for the STEM camp at 9:00 am. Lunch is provided and the camp will end at 2:30 pm again today.

For the parents' activity today, we will visit the outlet malls in nearby Smithfield, North Carolina:

https://www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/car olina



Parents will meet their children at the end of camp and dine in Campbell's student cafeteria.



<u>July 27 (Day 13)</u>

Today, camp will begin again at 9:00 am and run until 2:30 pm (lunch provided). Parents' activity for today, while their children are at camp, will be a session on developing emotional intelligence in your children with Mr. Guy. Mr. Guy is a certified EQ Coach and has counseled thousands of Chinese students in developing their EQ.

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He has also coached many young people in EQ, personally.



Dinner will take place in a Chinese restaurant near the campus of Campbell University.

<u>July 28 (Day 14)</u>

Today is our final day of STEAM. Children will participate in the final day of the STEM camp, accompanied by parents. This will be a great opportunity for parents to see what their children have been doing this past week, in camp. Children's lunch will be provided while parents dine at a nearby restaurant or the Campbell cafeteria.

Dinner will be in the Campbell cafeteria followed by a short presentation of certificates for all STEAM participants.

We will return to our homes and pack for STEAM participants return to China.

<u>July 29 (Day 15)</u>

We will depart from our homes, early, to drive to Raleigh for return flights to China.



<u>July 30 (Day 16)</u>

Arrive in China

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