

U.S. Taiwanese Student Exchange Schedule

The following is a sample schedule based on the proposal for the 2016 visit.

Day One: Wednesday, October 19, 2016

Students arrive early evening at DFW airport. Students are picked up from DFW airport by the Taiwanese chamber and taken to Parsons Pre-K where they will be welcomed by the host families. Students will spend the evening settling in with the host family and getting a good night's rest. The Taiwanese students will arrive at Parsons at approximately 5:45. All host families should arrive at Parsons at 5:30 to prepare for arrival. A small dinner will be served at the school

Day Two: Thursday, October 20, 2016

This day will be spent at Sachse High School.

8:00 – 8:10 Host families drop students off at the administration building

8:00 – 8:30 Small breakfast at the administration building

8:30 – 8:50 Travel to Sachse High School

9:00 – 9:20 Welcome To Sachse and Introductions (Sachse High School's Leadership Team)

9:30 – 10:30 Sachse Art Program

10:45 – 11:45 Drama Presentation

11:45 – 12:15 Lunch

12:15 – 1:00 Band Concert

1:15 – 2:20 Show Choir Concert

2:40 – 3:40 Robotics Team Demonstration

4:00 – 4:20 Travel back to Administration Building

4:20 – 4:30 Student pick-up

Day Three: Friday, October 21, 2016

Host Students will spend the day at Lakeview Centennial High School

8:00 – 8:10 Host families drop students off at the administration building

8:00 – 8:30 Small breakfast at the administration building

8:30 – 8:50 Travel to Lakeview Centennial High School

9:00 – 9:20 Welcome To Lakeview Centennial High School and Introductions from the Student Leadership Team

9:30 – 9:45 Interview by Lakeview Student Television Production Staff or GRS TV

9:50 – 10:40 Students Assigned Academic Classroom

10:45 – 11:45 Students Assigned Academic Classroom

11:45 – 12:15 Lunch

12:15 – 1:00 Students Assigned Academic Classroom

1:00 – 2:30 Students Assigned Academic Classroom

2:40 – 4:00 After School Activity

4:00 – 4:20 Travel back to the Administration Building

4:20 – 4:30 Student pick-up

7:00 – 10:00 Taiwanese delegation watches high school football game with host families

During the day, Taiwanese students will be assigned a host student. The host student will travel with the Taiwanese student as they experience a typical American school day. They will have the opportunity to ask questions during class and participate during class discussions.

Approximately the last 15 minutes of the class, the Taiwanese students will be allowed to give a brief presentation of their life in Taiwan they will be prepared to answer all questions.

Days four and five: Saturday, October 22, 2016 / Sunday, October 23, 2016

On Saturday, there will be an optional activity where host families will meet together and take the Taiwanese students to the fair. This activity will be scheduled from approximately 10:00 – 2:30. Host families will provide their own transportation to the fair grounds where we will meet at a group at “Big Tex”. Sunday will be set aside for the host families and the Taiwanese students to bond. It is encouraged that the host families allow the Taiwanese student to assist in choosing the days activity. These activities should be engaging and culturally relevant. Students will be curious about American customs, food, and entertainment. It is the responsibility of the host family to expose our Taiwanese guests to “Texas hospitality”.

Day Six: Monday, October 24, 2016

Because college is such a high priority for the Taiwanese students, I propose Monday being a set aside to visit different Colleges.

- 8:00 – 8:10 Host families drop students off at the administration building
- 8:10 – 9:00 Travel to SMU or UT Texas at Arlington
- 9:00 – 11:00 Tour George Bush Presidential Library
- 11:00 – 12:30 Walk around the College and have lunch
- 12:30 – 1:45 Travel to Dallas Baptist University
- 1:45 – 4:00 Tour the Campus and Meet with Professors
- 5:00 – 6:00 Dinner at DBU
- 6:00 – 7:00 Travel back to GISD Administration Building
- 7:00 – 7:10 Student pick-up

Day Seven: Tuesday, October 25, 2016

This day is designed to emphasize local government and community relationship.

- 8:00 – 8:10 Host families drop students off at the administration building
- 8:10 – 8:25 Travel to GISD School for a reception breakfast (Parsosn)

- 8:30 – 9:00 Meet and Greet at School
- 9:00 – 10:00 Taiwanese students will be served breakfast at a local campus. The current location for this event is Parsons Pre-K
- 10:00 – 10:30 Travel to downtown Garland City Hall for tour
- 10:30 – 12:00 Garland City Hall for tour Visit downtown Garland historical sites
- 12:00 – 1:30 Lunch
- 1:30 – 1:40 Travel to Hat Factory
- 1:45 – 3:00 Tour Hat Factory
- 3:00 – 3:30 Travel to Beaver Technology Center and stop and get a drink at RaceTrac
- 3:30 – 4:45 Tour BTC
- 4:45 – 5:00 Travel back to Administration Building
- 5:00 – 6:00 Dinner prior to School Board Meeting
- 6:00 – 6:30 Recognition at GISD School Board Meeting (Host families are encouraged to attend)

Host families are encouraged to attend the School board meeting where Taiwanese students will be recognized.

Day Eight: Wednesday, October 26, 2016

GISD Youth Leadership Summit, Taiwanese will participate in GISD Youth Leadership Summit taking place at the CCC. This will give the Taiwanese students an opportunity to engage in the American student leadership process, hear interesting speakers, and possibly give a brief presentation for GISD students in attendance.

- 8:00 – 8:10 Host families drop of students at the administration building
- 8:10 – 8:30 Small breakfast at the administration building
- 8:30 – 8:50 Travel to CCC to attend the Leadership Summit

- 8:50 – 9:00 Unload from the bus and take seats
- 9:00 – 2:30 GISD Youth Leadership Summit
- 2:30 – 3:30 Visit Sam’s Club, Target, or Walmart
- 3:30 – 3:50 Travel back to the administration building
- 3:50 – 4:00 Host families pick up students at the administration building

Day Nine: Thursday, October 27, 2016

This is the last day of the trip, and I would like to schedule something more entertaining for this day.

Possible Taiwanese student / host family reception could be held on this night if desired

- 8:00 – 8:10 Host families drop students off at the administration building
- 8:10 – 9:30 Travel to Arlington
- 9:30 – 11:30 Visit AT&T Stadium
- 11:30 – 11:50 The Parks Mall in Arlington
- 11:50 – 12:50 Lunch
- 12:50 – 3:00 Shopping at the Mall
- 3:00 – 4:00 Travel back to GISD Administration Building
- 4:00 – 4:10 Student pick-up
- 5:30 – 7:30 Student Reception (Place TBD by the Taiwanese Chamber)

Day Ten: Friday, October 28, 2016

Students leave host families and travel to DFW to fly back to Taiwan. The flight leaves at 8:00. I propose meeting at the administration building at 5:00 in order to provide plenty of time for the students to make it to the airport in time for their flight.

The information included in this proposal is tentative and is subject to change based on the needs of Garland ISD and the Taiwanese students. Updated 10/03/16