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## 2025 Korean-American Youth Homeland Visit Program (Full English Version)

Program Fee	\$2200 + Airlines Ticket
Target Participants	"Highly recommended for Korean-American youth (high school and college students) who wish to explore and deepen their understanding of Korean culture and history.
Dates:	July 10 – July 27, 2025 (3 weeks) ,To attend the tour, participants must take the night flight on July 8th.
included	Full itinerary in English, vehicle provided based on group size, all meals included, all admission fees included, no optional tours, no tips required, accompanied by a tour leader throughout.
Not included	personal transportation costs, bottled water and personal expenses, travel insurance.
Program Highlights	<p>✓ <b>A Homeland Tour to Learn History and Culture</b> Explore key historical and peace-related sites across Korea: Seoul, Ganghwa Island, Paju, Cheonan, Daegu, Gyeongju, Incheon, Yeoncheon, and more. Experience history firsthand at: Independence Gate, Provisional Government Memorial Hall, Ganghwa Dolmen Park, Chojijin Fortress, Imjingak, DMZ, Independence Hall of Korea (Cheonan). Cultural experiences include: Gyeongbokgung Palace, Jongmyo Shrine, Changgyeonggung Palace, National Museum of Korea, Seokguram Grotto, Bulguksa Temple, Myeongdong Cathedral, Hangang Park, Seonyudo Park. Modern Korea exploration: Visits to major institutions in Seoul such as The Blue House (Cheong Wa Dae), National Assembly.</p> <p>✓ <b>A Glimpse into Korea Today</b> Field visits to leading companies like Samsung , and innovative startups.</p> <p>✓ <b>Special Programs to Broaden Global Perspectives</b> Engaging conversations with ambassadors to Korea and roundtable discussions with foreign correspondents.</p> <p>✓ <b>A Tailored Program for Korean-American Youth</b></p>
Accommodation & Meals	Seodaemun Methodist Theological Seminary Dormitory & 1-night stay at a guesthouse in Daegu (Breakfast: at the dormitory / Lunch & Dinner: at external restaurants)
LA Contact Person	Eun Jeong seo ( T. 213-739-2222 )

	DATE	Detailed Itinerary of the Program
Day 1	10-Jul Thursday	<p>■ Meeting at Incheon Airport</p> <p>■ Arrival, Welcome Ceremony, Orientation</p> <p>▶ Morning: Arrival at Seodaemun Methodist Theological Seminary Dormitory, Welcoming and Encouragement Speech</p> <p>▶ Afternoon: Greetings, Program Overview, Self-Introductions, Staff Introduction</p>
Day 2	11-Jul Friday	<p>■ Japanese Colonial Era Historical Site Tour (Seodaemun)</p> <p>▶ Morning: Historical Sites in Seoul – Independence Gate, Seodaemun Prison, Provisional Government Memorial</p> <p>▶ Afternoon: Walk in Ansan</p> <p><b>[Lecture 1] Korean History 1 / Overview of Korean History and Society</b></p>
Day 3	12-Jul Saturday	<p>■ <b>Seoul City Palace Tour</b></p> <p>▶ Morning: Korean Culture 1 (Palace Tour) – Gyeongbokgung Palace, Jongmyo Shrine, Changgyeonggung Palace <b>[Lecture 2] Korean History 1: The Palaces of Korea</b></p> <p>▶ Afternoon: Visit to Heungsadan Headquarters</p> <p><b>[Lecture 3] Self-Reflection 1 / Life and Teachings of Dosan Ahn Chang Ho</b></p>
Day 4	13-Jul Sunday	<p>■ Opera "Dosan" Viewing</p> <p>▶ Morning: Worship and Rest – Religious Activities, Free Time (Methodist Church, Full Gospel Church)</p> <p>▶ Afternoon: Namdaemun → Seoul Station</p> <p>◆ <b>16:00 Opera "Dosan" at Seoul Arts Center Opera Theater</b></p>
Day 5	14-Jul Monday	<p>■ <b>Open Port Era Historical Sites and Korean Peninsula Peace Sites (Ganghwa Island)</b></p> <p>▶ Morning: Historical Sites 2 (Ganghwa Island) – Ganghwa Dolmen Park, Chojijin Fortress, Gwangseongbo Fortress</p> <p><b>[Lecture 4] Korean History 2 / Korea's Modernization and Encounter with the West</b></p> <p>▶ Afternoon: Korean Peninsula Peace Sites 1 – Aegibong Unification Observatory, Aegibong Ecological Park</p>

Day 6	15-Jul  Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Open Port Era Historical Sites (Seodaemun, Mapo)</b></li> <li>▶ Morning: Historical Sites 3 (Seoul) – Gyeonggyojang, Old Russian Legation, Jungmyeongjeon [Lecture 5] Korean History 3 / Activities of Foreign Missionaries in Late Joseon</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Jeoldusan Martyrs' Shrine, Yanghwajin Foreigners' Cemetery</li> <li>◆ <b>Evening: Hangang Park Night Walk (Seonyudo Park)</b></li> </ul>
Day 7	16-Jul  Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Blue House, National Assembly, Venture Company Visit</li> <li>▶ Morning: Seoul City Tour 1 – Blue House, National Assembly</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Economic &amp; Industry Tour 1 – Venture Company Visit [Lecture 6] Korean Venture Companies</li> </ul>
Day 8	17-Jul Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ National Museum Tour and Meeting with Ambassador</li> <li>▶ Morning: Korean Culture 3 – National Museum of Korea</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Seoul Suburban Tour 1 (Namyangju) – Reflection and Fellowship Time</li> <li>◆ <b>18:00 Dinner and Dialogue with Ambassador</b></li> </ul>
Day 9	18-Jul Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Korean Peninsula Peace Sites Tour (Paju)</li> <li>▶ Morning: Korean Peninsula Peace Sites 2 (Paju) – Imjingak, Camp Greaves</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Korean Peninsula Peace Sites 2 (Paju) – Dorasan Station, Dorasan Observatory, 3rd Tunnel, Heyri Modern History Museum</li> <li>◆ [Lecture 7] Korean Peninsula Status 1 / Inter-Korean Relations</li> <li>◆ <b>[Lecture 7] Korean Peninsula Status 1 / Inter-Korean Relations</b></li> </ul>
Day 10	19-Jul Saturday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Cheonan Independence Hall Tour</li> <li>▶ Morning: [Lecture 8] Korean History 4 / Japanese Occupation, Independence Movement, Liberation</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Cheonan Independence Hall, Yu Gwan-sun Memorial, Daegu Heungsadan Dormitory</li> </ul>
Day 11	20-Jul Sunday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Open Port Era Historical Sites (Incheon, Songdo)</li> <li>▶ Morning: Worship and Rest – Visit to Daegu Heungsadan Headquarters</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Korean Culture 4 – Cheomseongdae, Anapji Pond, Daereungwon Tumuli, Seokguram Grotto, Bulguksa Temple, Seoul Hyangbal</li> </ul>
Day 12	21-Jul Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Open Port Era Historical Sites (Incheon, Songdo)</li> <li>▶ Morning: Historical Sites 5 – Open Port Era Exploration – Jayu Park, Chinatown, Incheon Club, Mayor's Residence, Citizens' Museum</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Songdo Central Park</li> <li>◆ Conversation with Korean Students (George Mason University)</li> <li><b>[Lecture 9] Self-Reflection 2 / Comparison of University Life in Korea and the U.S.</b></li> </ul>
Day 13	22-Jul Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Korean Peninsula History and Peace Sites (Yeoncheon)</li> <li>▶ Morning: DMZ Workshop – Sangseung Observatory, Jeongok Prehistoric Museum</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Ministry of Unification Korean Peninsula Future Center, Sungui Shrine, King Gyeongsun's Tomb, Gorangpo Stories, Horogoro Fortress [Lecture 10] Korean Peninsula Status 2 / North Korea Status [Lecture 11] Korean Peninsula Status 3 / Nature and Status of DMZ</li> </ul>
Day 14	23-Jul Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Traditional Market Tour and Foreign Correspondents Roundtable</li> <li>▶ Morning: Seoul City Tour – Traditional Market Tour</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Seoul City Tour – Gwangjang Market, Myeongdong Cathedral, Myeongdong Street</li> <li>◆ Roundtable with Foreign Correspondents in Korea</li> </ul>
Day 15	24-Jul Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Samsung Tour</li> <li>▶ Morning: Economic &amp; Industry Tour 2 (Samsung)</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Samsung Tour [Lecture 12] Korean Economy 2: Current Status and Challenges of the IT Industry</li> </ul>
Day 16 F	25-Jul Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Youth Districts (Seoul) &amp; National Cemetery Visit</li> <li>▶ Morning: [Lecture 13] Korean Culture 2: Understanding the Korean Wave (Hallyu)</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Seoul City Tour 3 – Youth Districts: Seochon, Bukchon, Honadae → National Cemetery, Nodaeul Island</li> </ul>
Day 17	26-Jul Saturday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Group Activities &amp; Free Time</li> <li>▶ Morning: Presentation preparation, etc. [Lecture 14] Self-Reflection 3: What It Means to Be a Korean</li> <li>▶ Afternoon: Visit to Jinqansa Temple, Free Time (Shopping: Lotte Outlet → Starfield Goyang)</li> </ul>

Day 18	27-Jul Sunday	<div>■ Group Presentations, Completion Ceremony, Departure</div> <div>09:00 Group Presentations</div> <div>11:00 Packing &amp; Fellowship Time</div> <div>15:00 Group Presentation Awards</div> <div>Certificate Ceremony</div> <div>Words of Encouragement &amp; Farewell (What have you learned? What now?)</div> <div>17:00 Arrival at Airport &amp; Check-in</div>
		"The above itinerary is subject to change due to local circumstances."