

Title: Athens and the Aegean – Greece 2019
Location: Abroad
Instructor(s): Mrs. Nelson
Capacity: 40 students
Eligibility: Grades 8-12
Dates: May 17-25, 2019
<p>Cost and Payment Information:</p> <p>\$3542.00 based on 30 students traveling (a little higher if less than 30 students sign up – a little less if more than 30 students sign up). Price includes airfare, all land travel, all cruise travel, shore excursions (3 total), lodging, food (breakfast and dinner daily), admission to all sites, taxes and fuel surcharges. Tips for our tour director are not included and will be collected (approximately \$30 per person) at the parent meeting in the spring. Travel fee will be paid online to Explorica.</p>
<p>Program Description and Location:</p> <p>This is an adventure of a lifetime! Arriving in Athens on Saturday, we will start by spending some time seeing the local sights: fabulous ancient ruins and bustling markets, as well as the Acropolis, the Parthenon, the Erechtheion, and the Temple of Athena Nike. Monday we will board a cruise ship from Athens, cruising through the Aegean Sea to Mykonos, Samos, Patmos, Rhodes, Crete, and Santorini. On some stops we will enjoy a planned shore excursion: one on Crete and one on Santorini for sure, then we will choose one more from the offerings. On other islands we will disembark and tour on our own. When we return to Athens, we will head out on a tour to Corinth and the Mycenaean sites (the Treasury of Atreus and the Mycenaean Lion Gate!) on the Peloponnesian peninsula. A busy 9 days but what a memory this will make for you!</p> <p>There will be an information meeting during the week of October 22, 2018. Please watch for date and time, or email menelson@lwsd.org</p>
<p>Itinerary:</p> <p>Day 1 - Start tour – Fly Seattle to Athens Day 2 - Yassou Athens: Meet your tour director and check into hotel; Athens city walk: Plaka district, Temple of Olympian Zeus, Hadrian’s Arch Day 3 - Athens landmarks: Acropolis Museum visit in the morning; Athens guided sightseeing tour; Monastiraki bazaar Day 4 - Depart on Aegean cruise – Athens to Mykonos to Samos Day 5 - Samos to Patmos to Rhodes Day 6 - Rhodes to Crete Crete Excursion: Palace of Knossos Day 7 - Crete to Santorini to Athens Santorini Excursion: Spectacular Oia village perched on the caldera rim Day 8- Athens Arrive Athens in the morning – disembark from cruise; Mycenae & Corinth full day excursion Ancient Corinth visit, Mycenae site visit Day 9 - End tour – Return flight to Seattle</p>