

# 8th Grade Students to the East Coast ~ 2019

It's not too late to sign up for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade East Coast trip! A parent info meeting is coming soon and an information packets will be sent home with all 8<sup>th</sup> graders in September. If you don't want to wait for a packet, you can go online to Worldstrides and sign up. The dates are June 9-15<sup>th</sup>. Our trip id# is 161857. Please email [sbright@suhsd.net](mailto:sbright@suhsd.net) if you have questions.



## SEPA 2018 trip to Southern Italy and the Greek Islands

by Sage T., student

This year's trip to Europe was a huge success. We had students from U-Prep as well as a group of students who met up with us from North Carolina and Florida to come together and create some amazing friendships and lasting memories. The trip began in Rome where we met up with our tour guide Matteo who stayed with us throughout our journey and taught us about the history, the art, and the culture of each of the places we visited. We were able to see Rome, Naples, Capri, Sorrento, Pompeii, Bari, Delphi, Mykonos, Samos, Patmos, Santorini, and Athens. In Rome, we saw sights such as the Colosseum and the Trevi Fountain, we took a bus tour around most of the city, and experienced the local cuisines! In Capri, we experienced the Marina Grande port and the amazing views of the waters, and cliffs from the top in the Augustus Gardens and even tried the famous lemons of the island. We continued on to Pompeii, experiencing the exquisite roadways of the ancient city, and our group even got to watch archeologists digging up new parts of the city. Matteo, our guide, brought us to Bari and explained the history behind the Castello Normanno-Svevo, and brought us to the Basilica di San Nicola where we witnessed a wedding. Next we took a ferry to Greece, and saw the navel of the world, Delphi, where we explored the Temple of Apollo. We then hopped on a cruise ship where we experienced splendid sights of the Greek islands, and took unbelievable picture one could only dream about. We finished our excursion in Athens and the rich history of what it had to offer, such as the Acropolis and a traditional Greek evening, and had time to explore the Plaka where one can buy all the souvenirs they could carry. Next year the SEPA club will be discovering England, Ireland, and Scotland! If you are interested to know more, contact Mrs. Isheim, [cisheim@sushd.net](mailto:cisheim@sushd.net) or attend the informational parent meeting on Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM room 135.

