



**2022 SYTA Post FAM
Itinerary
August 30-September 1, 2022**

Day 1: Tuesday, August 30

- 10:00am** **Depart for Gettysburg**
Start your journey to Gettysburg with a taste of our countryside, featuring homemade pastries and refreshments.
- 12:00pm** **Lunch at the Farnsworth House**
Enjoy lunch in the home that housed Confederate Sharpshooters during the 3-day battle
- 1:30pm** **Gettysburg Heritage Center – Night at The Museum Program**
The Gettysburg Heritage Center Museum will come to life with first-person accounts of the battle. You will hear stories such as how the townspeople reacted to the battle raging outside their front door. These are the stories of the people who struggled, survived, and rebuilt not only a town but a country.
- 3:00pm** **Check into hotel, Best Western Gettysburg**
Located right downtown on Steinwehr Avenue with a breakfast room that overlooks the battlefield, the Best Western Gettysburg is a great fit for groups.
- 3:30pm** **Free Time to Explore Downtown Gettysburg**
With tons of different shops, restaurants, and boutiques downtown Gettysburg is a great option for free time or a meal on your own. Opportunities will also be available to visit a requested hotel, restaurant, or attraction for a site tour.
- 6:30pm** **Opening Reception & Dinner at the Dobbin House Tavern**
Your first night in Gettysburg kicks off at the Dobbin House, the oldest, most historic home in Gettysburg with entertainment provided by Gettysburg Goofballs.
- 9:00pm** **Ghost Tour-Optional**
Your tour guide will take you for a short walk in the vicinity of Baltimore Street and Steinwehr Avenue, sharing eerie tales as you pass locations such as Gettysburg's oldest, most historic building, the Dobbin House (1776), the Soldiers National Cemetery and the former Hall of Presidents & First Ladies Museum. This portion of the tour will prime your senses for entering one of the area's most notoriously haunted buildings. Journey down the original wooden stairs to the same dingy, dark dungeon where a cruel headmistress chained children to stone walls when they misbehaved.



Day 2: Wednesday, August 31

9:00am **Depart Hotel**

9:30am **Hollabaugh's Farm Tour**

Your tour will start in the comfort and privacy of our education room, The Bee Room! During this portion, we'll discuss the significance that honeybees and bumble bees play in the pollination of the blooms each spring and view an observation beehive. You will also learn how we use Integrated Pest and Pollinator Management (IPPM) on the farm to combat harmful insects such as the spotted lantern fly. At the conclusion of this portion of your tour, you will enjoy a 30-minute guided wagon ride through our rolling orchards.

11:00am **WWII The American Experience & lunch catered by Biggerstaff's Catering**

We strive to educate you about the American sacrifices made during the world's largest conflict of the 20th century, both on the battlefield and on the home front, and honor America's dedication to win and preserve freedom. Here, you can experience a wide variety of authentic WWII vehicles, uniforms and artifacts in realistic dioramas and exhibits that portray, not just the battlefield, but the home front as well.

1:15pm **Seminary Ridge Museum- Run the Hospital Program**

Armed with primary source accounts from surgeons, hospital stewards, and other medical staff, participants will collaborate to successfully complete a series of challenges that medical personnel would face during battle. This innovative program puts students at the center of the decisions personnel would have to make during battle, including where to establish hospitals and how to provide the most effective treatment. Will you be able to follow the right steps to save the most patients?"

2:45pm **Gettysburg Train Station & David Wills House**

In 1863, enthusiastic crowds gathered outside the depot in hopes of catching a glimpse of the president as he arrived in Gettysburg. Now you can step onto the platform and into history as yet another distinguished guest to this historic station. The Gettysburg Lincoln Railroad Station™ will offer a NEW immersive and enlightening virtual reality experience.

The home of Gettysburg attorney David Wills was the center of the immense clean-up process after the Battle of Gettysburg and where President Lincoln put the finishing touches on his Gettysburg Address, the speech that transformed Gettysburg from a place of death and devastation to the symbol of our nation's "new birth of freedom."



4:15pm **Free Time to Explore Downtown Gettysburg**
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6:00pm **Dinner at Upper Crust & Borough BBQ**
Located in its elegantly restored downtown location, the Upper Crust has a sophisticated modern vibe, with a little retro-industrial thrown in for good measure.

Borough BBQ is a four thousand square foot neighborhood gathering place that seats over two hundred guests with rustic masculine decor including exposed brick walls, steel beams, concrete, and a once glamorous, original mosaic tile floor.

7:00pm **Depart for Reception at Mister Ed's Elephant Museum & Candy Emporium**
The area's sweetest family tradition! Discover more than 12,000 elephant figurines in every size on display. Then check out our huge selection of candy, homemade fudge, fresh roasted peanuts, and unique gifts, and stroll our acres of whimsical gardens. You'll never forget Mister Ed's!

Day 3: Thursday, September 1

9:00am **Breakfast at hotel with presentation by Adams County Historical Society**
The full story of Gettysburg has never been told — until now. The Adams County Historical Society is building a new, state-of-the-art museum experience that will go beyond the battle, exploring centuries of remarkable people and events that shaped American history. Through exciting exhibits packed with immersive media experiences and never-before-seen artifacts, we're diving deeper into the story of this famous American place. Learn more about the newest museum coming to town.

10:15am **Depart for Washington, DC**
After concluding our time in Gettysburg, we will head back to Washington DC, arriving by 12:00pm.

Drop-off Location: Reagan National Airport