



## **HELLO IS YOUR PASSPORT (Bonjou se Paspo Ou)!**

A four week immersive summer camp for kids ages 6-14 to learn all about Haiti!

There is a famous Haitian proverb that goes: Beyond mountains are more mountains that gives me a looking glass into the essence of the Haitian spirit. From vibrantly painted Tap Taps to church services lined to each wall with impassioned song, Haiti is a country and a culture overflowing with stories of triumph, loss, beauty, and the unmatched Haitian spirit. Hello is your Passport, or Bonjou se Paspo Ou, is a virtual summer camp for children ages 6 to 14 designed to provide a lasting understanding of Haiti. It's past, it's culture, and most importantly: it's spirit. This summer camp hopes to ultimately encourage its participants to get involved by making an impact in their own communities or abroad.

**PRICING:** \$75 per student, and a \$50 suggested donation.

**SCHEDULE AND STRUCTURE:** the camp will be conducted in two age groups. For kids in 2nd-5th grades, or approximately ages 6-10:

- A one hour session.
- Two times a week.
- On Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- From 9am-10am (Mountain Time)

For kids in 6th-8th grades, or approximately ages 10-14:

- A one and a half hour session.
- Two times per week.
- On Mondays and Fridays
- From 9:00am-10:30am (Mountain Time)

There will be two sessions of the camp. One beginning June 22 and ending July 17. The second beginning July 20 and ending August 10.

**CURRICULUM:** The curriculum focuses on the following touchpoints and categories! Each session is designed to engage it's participants in active and exciting ways. We will listen to music, read books and poems, have small and large discussions. The work outside of the sessions will be limited. Some of the activities will include: creating personal Tap Tap designs, researching VooDoo flags, and preparing Haitian dishes!



- Daily engagement and advancement in the language of Creole: speaking, reading, and writing for comprehension
- What we know about Haiti already
- Geography
- History
- What is a Developing Country?
- Haiti's Climate
- Culture: Religion, Tradition, Transportation, Animals, Food and Market
- Community: Family, Sports, Arts, Music
- Haiti Now

**CARE PACKAGES:** We will be providing each participant with a package before the start of their session and a completion package. In the first package there will be resources such as worksheets and pens, as well as stickers, flags, and other fun things. The completion package will include a certificate and information on ways to get involved!

**GUEST SPEAKERS:** We are going to have at least three guest speakers over the course of the summer camp! Given the lack of technological resources in Haiti, we will find creative ways to engage the Haitian guest speakers. This might include having them answer questions from the participants in a video and myself sharing those clips with the participants. It might also include a phone call, depending on if we can connect the Haitians to a Zoom call. The guest speakers will also include members of the Road to Hope who have firsthand experience and knowledge about Haiti.

**PEDAGOGY/ VISION FOR CLASS:** I hope to engage the participants in an ongoing discussion about the ways that living in Haiti is different/similar to living in America, living in Colorado, or living in any of their respective towns, homes. To do this, I will be providing a baseline knowledge of Haiti. In order to provide a foundational understanding of Haiti that will live long beyond the length of the summer camp and with an ultimate goal of empowering the students to get involved in making a difference, both on a smaller scale: within their own communities, and on a larger scale: a continued connection to Haiti.