

#### Summer hospitality program (summer camp) for children of the Greek Diaspora, aged 9-13 years old organized by the General Secretariat of Greeks Abroad Camp of Malesina of Fthiotida, 7-21 August 2014

The children will be accommodated in coastal pine areas under the constant supervision of camp staff. The program will include courses of Greek language and history, visits to archaeological and historical sites, museums and other attractions, educational programs, teaching traditional dances and songs, watch music events and cultural programs, excursions and sea baths, educational group games, sports, painting and crafts.

Parents will have to pay the travel costs to and from Greece (airfare tickets). Also, parents will have the responsibility and care of their children' travel to the airport of arrival in Greece (Eleftherios Venizelos in Athens and Macedonia in Thessaloniki). The same applies for the return of children to Australia. The GGAE will be responsible for the movement of children from airports Eleftherios Venizelos Athens and Thessaloniki Macedonia to the camp. It goes without saying that parents may accompany their children to the camps and also pick them up from there on the day of expiry of the camping programs.

### <u>Applications should be submitted to the closer Consular Authority</u> of Greece in Australia by April 15, 2014.

# Conditions of participation

The program can engage children of Greek origin under the following conditions: one of the parents must be of Greek origin, children must be aged nine to thirteen years, their parents should not be Greek public servants working abroad (children of local staff are excluded).

# Application deadline and procedure

Parents or guardians, who are interested, should contact the Consular Authority of Greece closer to their permanent area of residence in Australia in order to be informed about the conditions of participation in the program and will then be required to complete two forms: 1) the application form and

2) the camper health card, which will be co-submitted along with a recent photo and certificate of a pediatrician relating to good physical and mental health of the child and the ability to participate in sporting activities.

#### Guests' responsibilities

- The children remain in the camp throughout the course of the Hospitality Program.
- They are not allowed to leave or stay outside of the camp.
- The parents and relatives can visit the children at the camp in days and hours to be determined by those responsible.
- If children remain in Greece, after the end of the camp period, this should be indicated in their application forms.
- For the children to remain in Greece, after the camping period, it is necessary to complete and sign the appropriate authorization requests from parents or guardians and the proof of authenticity of signatures of the competent Consular Authority.
- In case of serious problems of physical or mental health of the child, the General Secretariat of Greeks Abroad reserves the right to discontinue participation in the program.

For further information please contact the closest Consular Authority of Greece in Australia (Consulate General of Greece in Adelaide, Consulate General of Greece in Melbourne, Consulate General of Greece in Sydney, Consulate of Greece in Perth, Consular Office of the Embassy of Greece in Canberra).