



*Rural Empowerment and Development (READ) 2018*  
*Visit to Mechai Pattana Bamboo School*  
*10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018*





## *What is special about the Mechai Bamboo School?*

The Mechai Pattana School opened in 2009. This revolutionary educational model offers free, private education to rural children in Buriram province in Northeastern Thailand. The objectives of the school are to create strong leaders and responsible community members by utilizing teaching methods that foster the students' creative process as opposed to rote memorization usually taught in Thai education. The Secondary School is constructed of environmentally-friendly bamboo. The school has received both international and national accolades, and teachers from throughout Southeast Asia travel there to learn from its innovative educational techniques.



## *Why should you participate?*

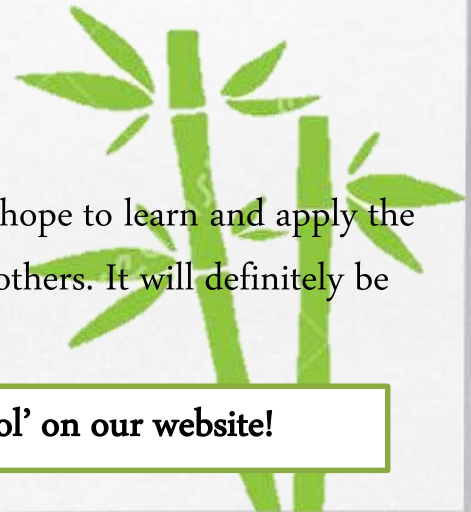
- Once in a lifetime opportunity to experience living in a rural environment
- Experience a different, more skill-based curriculum
- Students can learn and bring back new and innovative agriculture methods
- Students can learn social entrepreneurship and how they themselves can run and sustain a business by themselves
- Learn to embrace the diversity of one's society through including those who are disadvantaged

**Most importantly**, the objectives of the Bamboo School is to foster good citizens who are:

- Honest and willing to share
- Possess life skills and occupational skills
- Practice and promote gender equality
- Community leaders

By experiencing the curriculum and life at the Bamboo School, one can hope to learn and apply the knowledge in their home country and school to benefit themselves and others. It will definitely be an eye-opening and unforgettable experience!

**\*\*For more information, check out 'About the Mechai Bamboo School' on our website!**



Day 0: 10 January 2017



*\*Itinerary is subject to change*

Time	Program
AM-PM	Arrival in Bangkok
	Participants to proceed to hotel on their own Check In
	Free and Easy

Meals included - none

# Day 1: 11th Jan



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Time	Program
AM	Breakfast at hotel
	Transfer to Bamboo School (approximately 4.5 hours from Bangkok)
	Welcome Lunch at Bamboo School
	Ice Breaking/Team Bonding Games
PM	Introduction of Bamboo School
	Dinner



Meals included – B/L/D

# Day 2: 12th Jan



*\*Itinerary is subject to change*

Time	Program
AM	Breakfast at Bamboo School
	Environmental Learning Activity (eg. farming, etc.) facilitated by students from Bamboo School
	Lunch
PM	Values in Action (Community Service) facilitated by Bamboo School
	Dinner
	Talent Show and Cultural Performance by participating students



Meals included – B/L/D



# Day 3: 13th Jan



*\*Itinerary is subject to change*

Time	Program
AM	Breakfast at Bamboo School
	Social Enterprise Workshop
	Lunch
PM	Leadership Program
	Reflection and Group Discussion
	Dinner
	Reflection and Party (Fire Lantern)



Meals included – B/L/D

Day 4: 14th Jan



*\*Itinerary is subject to change*

Time	Program
AM	Breakfast at Bamboo School
	Transfer to Bangkok to Don Muang Airport or Suvarnabhumi Airport

Meals included – B



## *Price And Accommodation*

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### **ACCOMMODATION:**

- 3 star hotel in Bangkok
- Hostel in Bamboo School

### **PRICE:**

- USD 498 for air-conditioned room in Bamboo School
- USD 398 for non air-conditioned room in Bamboo School

### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- All meals as listed in the itinerary
- All accommodation as listed in the itinerary
- All entrance fees
- All fees of activities as listed in itinerary
- Tips and Gratuities
- Domestic transportation in Bangkok  
as per itinerary
- Airport transfer for return

### **PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:**

- Air ticket
- Visa fee (if applicable)
- On arrival airport transfer
- Meals not listed in itinerary
- Items not listed in itinerary
- Government tax and VAT
- Travel Insurance

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