Service Volontaire Européen (S.V.E.)
«School and the Gang-Lycée Esclangon »

Culture and Languages

Manosque, France

9,5 months : from 17 September 2018 to 30 June 2019

Context :

The Esclangon High School is a school institute (secondary level) which prepares the students to obtain the general or technological A-level with a lot of language, music and art options and the superior technological patent in management. Each year, the school receives 4 foreign language assistants: English, German, Italian and Spanish. Teaching teams are therefore engaged in collaborative pedagogical work. There are two European sections (German and Italian) which enrich partnerships and travel, twinning and allow the high school to participate in schemes such as KINEMA. The high school was also engaged in an interdisciplinary Comenius project in physics-chemistry and Spanish. In particular, the high school has entered into a partnership with the Regional Fund for Contemporary Art, thus benefiting from the exhibition of works of art all year round and an artist in residence.

Object of the mission:

The volunteers will complement the existing teaching teams in order to accompany students on a daily basis in their activities of language practice, construction, follow-up and implementation of the different artistic and cultural projects of the high school.

- Provision of documentary resources, learning and realization of assignments, creation of communication tools and development of digital pedagogical uses, development of associative commitment and educational games workshops.
- Support for high school students wishing to participate, to animate, to improve the life of pupils in their school, to accompany groups of pupils on the move to places of memory, to mobilize high school pupils on projects in progress with the local radio station and the newspaper Of the establishment, on projects of international solidarity, equality between girls and boys and prevention of discrimination.
- Accompaniment of high school students delegated and elected in the bodies to encourage the exercise of their mandate and their initiatives and thus develop the associative life within the institution: high school board, high school home.

Profile of the volunteer :

We do not ask for volunteer-specific skills, some knowledge in French or English would be helpful. On the other hand, we ask for interest and sensitivity for the activities we propose.
Keep in mind that Manosque is a small city.

Practical information :

The duration of the mission is 9 months, from the September 2018 to June 2019.
We will host 4 volunteers during the same period from Germany, Turkey, Italy and Spain. Every volunteer will be in different organizations, 3 different high school and 1 cultural NGO working around books.
We will have 2 flat fully equipped for 2 volunteers and we would like a gender balance, 2 girls and 2 boys.
The volunteer will receive an allowance every month for his expenses of food and his pocket money. He/She will also eat at the high school during lunchtime.

A little testimony from the ancient volunteers:

Hello, I'm José and I come from Spain ! I'm currently doing an EVS in the "Lycée Esclangon" and I'm really enjoying it because it gives me the opportunity to be in contact with children and with the different educational methods, which is very interesting for me, since I would like to become a teacher. What's more about the volunteering service, is that it gives you the perfect occasion to develop your creativity: for example I've organised the "correspondence" project (a linguistic exchange by letter/e-mail) between the Lycée and my ex-highschool in Spain! My task is to help with the development of activities linked to the "school life" as for example the promotion of blood donation, the campaign against harassment and a fund raising for an association that works on the research against HIV!
My life is France is very stimulating because I'm living a new culture, with a new language and plus I'm living and working with other foreigners!

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Here is the video from the volunteers who did missions in different highschools of the region in 2018, they made a video about their "integration week" in Marseille : https://vimeo.com/256771209