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Eight Japanese students and two chaperones spent 10 days in Elberton and a group of five Elbert County teenagers and a chaperone accompanied them home to Mure-cho for a two week visit. Akihiro Orita, M. Fukumitsu, Toshiko Hiraoka, Nobuko Mure, Akiko Tamaura, Ayuko Tanaka, Hiroki Takaoka, Ryo Humena

The Japanese students enjoyed "Traditional American Teenage Cuisine" such as hamburgers, brownies and accompaniments.



Meredith Jourolmon, Careyann Dye, Chad Burdette, Natalie Heard, Amanda Oglesby, David Jones and Judy Turner, chaperone were happy to be the third group from Elberton to visit Mure-cho.



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Nine Japanese teenagers and their chaperone got a taste of “southern hospitality” in Elberton, for ten days in July as part of the Sister City Student Exchange program. The group’s schedule was carefully orchestrated to observe business and industrial activities, Granite Capital sites of historical and cultural interest, and family life.

The students stayed in Elberton homes with individual families to permit them insight into American culture gleaned from time spent with American teenagers and their families. Shinji Hironaka, Yasuhiro Watanaba, Hidehiro Ohbayashi, Nami Hirose, Akiko Ohyane, Harumi Ikeuchi, Keiko Hirayama, Chika Kawasaki, Yusuke Tsutsum and chaperone Akira Suzuki.

