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Gabby Douglas and Jordyn Wieber have been stars since winning the gold; touring all over the place, including the Empire State Building and the New York Stock Exchange; invited by the president over the phone.

"We're enjoying every step of the way," said Wieber, who with Douglas, McKayla Maroney, Kyla Ross and Aly Raisman gave the United States its first Olympic team title in women's gymnastics since 1996.

Douglas has been fully enjoying the experience, tweeting photos of her encounters with stars like Nicki Minaj, and Nick Cannon.

"We've been having so much fun the past few days," she said.

But she's waiting on a special invitation to guest star on "The Vampire Diaries," her favorite show.

Overall, the girls admit they weren't quite prepared for all the attention they've been getting. They've enjoyed it though.

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According to the Associated Press, instead of making back-to-school plans for the fall, they're gearing up for the 40-city Kellogg's Tour of Gymnastics Champions.

"Not many 17-year-old girls get to do this, so I don't feel like were missing much," Wieber said.

Douglas, who is home schooled and lives in Des Moines, Iowa, to be near her coaches most of the time, would just like to have time to do a little light gymnastics training in the interim before the tour – and maybe try a CrossFit conditioning workout that emphasizes endurance and cardio. "We all want to stay in shape," she said. {jcomments on}