

2020 DELEGATION LEADERS

Spring and Summer International Youth Exchanges

Lead Youth Ambassadors on a global adventure!

Interested former or current teachers are invited to apply to become a Delegation Leader to one of Fort Worth’s sister cities in China, France, eSwatini, Italy, Germany, Hungary, Mexico, and Japan for spring or summer exchanges. If you have the interest and the commitment to provide a global education for students, you can explore and experience a memorable exchange in one of the cities listed below. Expenses for travel are provided except for a \$350 program fee, host family gifts, luggage costs, some meals, and misc. costs. Travel arrangements are made by Sister Cities in collaboration with our international colleagues. All teachers and youth stay with host families and for some exchanges, one night in a youth hostel.

Refer to the Youth Ambassador brochure on our website at www.fwsistercities.org for detailed information.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- ◆ Supervise 8-20 middle and/or high school students to China, Germany, Hungary, France, eSwatini, Italy, Japan, or Mexico.
- ◆ Recruit 5 students to apply for an exchange. If 5 students are recruited and the exchange deemed successful, the required \$350 program fee will be refunded.
- ◆ Coordinate orientations to prepare the students. Spring exchanges meet twice a month, and summer meet monthly.
- ◆ Must be available for student interviews to select Youth Ambassadors Nov. 5–10. (*dates depend on number of applicants*). Must also attend Dec. 1 pre-travel orientation with selected students and their parents or guardians.
- ◆ Harashin teacher scholars will work with Sister Cities to plan and implement the local program for inbound Nagaoka students in August. Must be available to host Nagaoka teacher and participate in all activities during their visit to Fort Worth (approx. August 6-14).
- ◆ Ensure an educational, memorable, fun and successful exchange for all.

Travel dates are approximate.

REGGIO EMILIA, ITALY: March 7–15, 2020

Reggio Emilia is a scenic and historic city. Visit historical sites including cathedrals and palazzos dating back to the 12th century.

NIMES, FRANCE: March 7-15, 2020

Nimes is a scenic and historic city. Visit historical sites including ancient ruins, and see why it is called the “French Rome.”

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY: March 7-15, 2020

Experience 2000 years of history in a city reborn several times from pre-Roman to post Iron curtain as you journey through time.

TOLUCA, MEXICO: March 7-15, 2020

Enjoy the beauty of Toluca, the capital of the state of Mexico. Its rich hospitality and an excursion to the pyramids are experiences you can expect.

NAGAOKA, JAPAN: June 20–29, 2020

Nagaoka is a city of tranquility rich in history. Live with a host family, visit local sites, and enjoy a day excursion to the Sea of Japan.

NAGAOKA, JAPAN— HARASHIN: July 25-Aug. 4, 2020

Experience Japanese lifestyle traditions and attend the “Hanabi” fireworks festival, one of the largest in the world.

GUIYANG, CHINA: June 5-15, 2020

Guiyang is a major cultural center that has retained the natural beauty of its environment with the largest urban forest park in China.

TRIER, GERMANY: June 5-15, 2020

Explore archeological areas of Germany’s oldest city, Trier. The group will visit medieval markets, theaters, museums, and palaces.

MBABANE, ESWATINI: June 5-15, 2021

NOTE: 2021 DATE

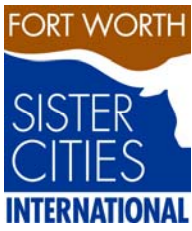
Mbabane, capital of the Kingdom of eSwatini remains the only absolute monarchy left in the world. Ceremonial culture, wildlife safari, museums and nature preserves are there to be experienced.



APPLICATION DEADLINE - SEPT. 30, 2019

Interviews will be scheduled on Oct. 7 or 8 at 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. in the Sister Cities conference room.

Interested educators should complete the attached application and submit with a one page typed essay on “Why I want to lead Youth Ambassadors abroad” and a letter of recommendation from your principal or program director. Fax or email to:



2020 DELEGATION LEADER APPLICATION

Name: _____ Number of teaching years _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

School: _____ Subject areas/grade levels: _____

List other schools taught/subject areas: _____

Education: _____

Describe any school or other organized youth groups you have chaperoned on overnight or extended travel programs:

List any student programs or outside youth activities in which you are currently involved: _____

Foreign language skills: _____

International travel experience: _____

Indicate in order of preference the city you would like to be considered for as the Delegation Leader:

- ____ Reggio Emilia, Italy ____ Toluca, Mexico ____ Trier, Germany ____ Harashin* ____ Nimes, France
- ____ Mbabane, eSwatini ____ Nagaoka, Japan ____ Budapest, Hungary ____ Guiyang, China

*I understand this is a reciprocal exchange and I am able to host the Nagaoka Harashin Scholar teacher: Female____ Male____ Either____

Application Checklist

- Completed application
- Resume
- One page typed essay on: "Why I want to lead Youth Ambassadors abroad"
- A letter of recommendation from principal, program director, or supervisor . Recommender will email, mail or fax separately to Sister Cities

Interviews conducted Oct. 7 or 8 after school. Applicants will be notified of acceptance by week of Oct. 14.

Must be available for student interviews Nov.5-10 if selected and attend student/parent pre-travel orientation on Dec. 1.

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