

2020
5th Grade
Cultural Exchange to Japan

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Parent Meeting
January 15, 2020

Tonight's Agenda

- Trip staff announcement
- Itinerary updates
- Ticket purchasing
- Financial Update
- Fundraising
- Cultural Series
- Performance practices
- Omiyage
- Chaperone groups and homestay partners
- Homestay profiles
- Insurance
- Sumaura visit

Staff Announcements

- **Fukuno**
 - Trip Director- Yoko Niki-Breyfogel
 - Asst. TD- Gori Kawasaki
 - Teacher in Residence- Bill Aubrecht
- **Kobe**
 - Trip Director- Eriko Mogi
 - Asst. TD- TBD
- **Sapporo**
 - Trip Director- Sumiko Uchida

Chaperone Introductions

Nanto City

- Christine Hanolsy (Nicholas Hanolsy)
- Rian vandenHooff (Soriah vandenHooff)
- Dan Wineman (Isadora Wineman)
- Michele Stultz (Zander Stultz-Bruggeman)
- Jenn Manley Lee (Taran Manley)
- Kip Manley (Taran Manley)
- Brita Johnson (Freja Johnson)

Chaperone Introductions

Kobe

- Sera Baldwin Kimura (Sophia Kimura)
- Robert Blau (Alexander Blau)
- Theresa Katherine Burcsu (Sadira Belmont)
- Sara DeLuca (Julian DeLuca)
- Kelly Moehling (Colin Moehling)
- Josh Rengert (Maya Luna Rengert)
- Lily Windle (Stara Sigstad)

Chaperone Introductions

Sapporo

- Michael Elliott (Dylan Elliott)
- Karl Schroeder (Calvin Schroeder)
- Amanda Welker (Ian Meser)

Itinerary Updates

Itineraries will be different for each city, but equally wonderful!

All itineraries will include:

- **School visit**
- **Homestay**
- **Cultural/historical sights**
- **Onsen experience**
- **Free-style sightseeing and shopping day**

Same basic itinerary for all cities...

Day 1: Depart Portland/arrive Japan

Day 2 - 3: Acclimation days - cultural sightseeing

Day 4 - 8: School visits and homestays

Day 8 - 9: Japanese onsen and shopping

Day 10: Return to Portland

Ticket Purchasing

- Travel Dates:
 - Kobe 6/14-6/24, (PDX-SEA-KIX)
 - Fukuno 6/15-6/25 (PDX-SEA-KIX)
 - Sapporo 6/15-6/26 (PDX-HND-Chitose)
- Ticket Purchase: end of January
- Deviation process: 1/13-1/24
- (email about instructions has been sent out)
- Extending your trip

Detailed Flight Information - KOBE

KOBE: (Delta Airlines) Extending Parents will meet in Kansai airport in Osaka (KIX)

14JUN2020 PDX SEA (DL2108) 735A 831A

14JUN2020 SEA KIX (DL183) 1159A 330P

24JUN2020 KIX SEA (DL182) 400P 950A

24JUN2020 SEA PDX (DL3570) 1150A 1256P

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25JUN2020	SEAPDX (DL3570)	1150A 1256P

Detailed Flight Information - Sapporo

SAPPORO: (Delta Airline) Extending Parents will meet in HANEDA Tokyo airport (HND)

15JUN2020 PDXHND (DL69) 207P 435P

26JUN2020 HNDPDX (DL68) 625P 1144A

(including Haneda-Chitose flight) * Haneda-Chitose flights will be confirmed later.

Some School Rules

- No Dyed Hair
- No Jewelry

Homesickness Ideas

- Family Picture, Lovey and/or Letter

Fundraising

- Goal = \$5,000
- \$5700 raised to date!
- Upcoming Events
 - Disney Ticket Raffle & Service Project
 - ONK Auction 2/29, 5:30pm
 - Spring Festival?

Financial Updates

Peter Maris

- Saved money on flights, no final/May payment needed! Hooray!
- Make sure you are up to date, tickets being purchased soon
- Able to provide teacher in residence on Kobe Trip

Cultural Series Meetings

- February 21st - participant and parent
- March 13th - participant only
- April 24th - participant only
- May 8th - participant only

One additional, date tbd (maybe 6/11)

- participant and parent

Performance Practices

Melissa Kuser and Faith Dawson

MANDATORY FOR ALL STUDENTS

Tuesdays - April & May - beginning **April 7th**

5:30-6:30 pm at Richmond

1st week - meet in gym, following weeks will
break up by trip.

Omiyage

ONK prepared gifts *(included in trip cost)*

- Schools, principals, PTAs
- Tour guides, bus drivers, other support people
- Family “bundle”

Richmond family prepared gifts *(not included in trip costs)*

- Small personal item for each host family member
- \$5-\$10/person
- Coordinate with homestay partner
- More guidance to come...

T-shirts

-Each child will receive 4 t-shirts *(included in trip cost)*

-Please fill out form to select t-shirt size:

(<https://tinyurl.com/y7x8jyv>)

-We have sample t-shirts for looking at & trying on
(these will also be available at next mandatory meeting).

Chaperone Groups and Homestay

Chaperone Groups: Chaperone/student group information will be distributed within 2wks

Homestay Partners: Students will receive their homestay partners after tickets have been purchased

Hotel Buddies: Hotel buddy selection will be completed after accommodations have been finalized

Homestay Profiles

- Participant Specific Google Doc
- Due on Jan 20th
- No special requests
- Family photo- no sunglasses
- Include a thank you message
- Ok to ask student to do in Japanese
- Need volunteers to help translate

Travel Insurance

- Every family required to purchase a plan
- Average price is about \$130
- Will send an email with instructions
- Must be complete by March 15th

Sumaura Visit

- **Sumaura Group stays Friday, Feb. 7-14**
- **There is a matching ceremony on the 7th after school - welcome bus if you can!**
- **Those who are hosting should have started to communicate through emails with the children's families**
- **Sumaura will do a tea ceremony to all 5th G students**