

NORTH SHORE LIONS CHIBA YOUTH EXCHANGE

Host Family Guidelines and Expectations

This program has a mandate to provide Japanese exchange students with a unique cultural learning experience about Canada in a safe and caring environment. In order for this learning to occur with a minimum of conflict, all host families must make an advanced commitment to understand and be guided by these Guidelines and Expectations.

The hosted students are in effect junior ambassadors for Japan and are expected to act accordingly at all times to maintain the high reputation of past students and the exchange program itself, which has been in continuous operation since 1970.

Host Family Guidelines and Expectations:

1. Fully honour the commitment you made to host a Japanese student for 2 weeks during the following August.
2. The required student accommodation is a separate sleeping room with bed and nearby access to toilet and shower facilities.
3. Provide 3 full meals a day to be eaten with the family, except when the student is away on up to 10 full day official outings when a breakfast will suffice.
4. Provide transportation to and from all official events and any free time cultural activities that the host family arranges. Following some official activities the Lions club members will deliver the student home to their host family residence.
5. Be culturally sensitive and courteous in both word and action to the hosted student and others involved in the program, particularly the Chiba-appointed chaperone.
6. Be aware that the chaperone has the responsibility to act on behalf and in place of the student's parents while they are staying with the host family. As such, the chaperone is the decision maker in cases where you or the student may have a conflict or difficulty in complying with the officially sanctioned program of events.
7. Be aware that the student is required to keep the chaperone advised of all free time activities you may arrange and to comply promptly with any related directions received from the chaperone.
8. Provide assistance to the student to keep in contact with their family in Japan.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: _____