

NORTH SHORE LIONS CHIBA YOUTH EXCHANGE

Student Code of Social Responsibility and Conduct

This Youth Exchange program has a mandate to provide students with a unique cultural learning experience in a safe and caring environment. To facilitate this learning with a minimum of conflict, exchange students must make an advanced commitment to understand and be guided by this Code.

This Code is designed to provide clear guidelines for appropriate student behavior while traveling to and from, and living in Japan under the jurisdiction of the Lions-appointed chaperone

The Student Code of Social Responsibility and Conduct:

Each student is to conduct themselves consistent with the following Code.

1. Recognize that you are a junior ambassador for Canada and are expected to act accordingly.
2. Accept that you are fully responsible for the consequences of your actions.
3. Be culturally sensitive and courteous in both word and action to all others involved in the program, particularly the host family members, the Lions chaperone and Chiba City Officials.
4. Be tolerant of cultural differences in food, attire and manners.
5. Be aware that the chaperone has the responsibility to act on behalf and in place of your parents while you are visiting Japan. As such, the chaperone is the decision maker in all cases of conflict involving any members of the exchange program.
6. Show respect for yourself and all others involved in the program, particularly the chaperone.
7. Keep the chaperone advised at all times of your free time activities and comply promptly with any related directions received from the chaperone.
8. Comply at all times with the Criminal Code, especially with respect to possession or using drugs or alcohol. The penalties in Japan for such activities are very severe compared to Canada.
9. Choose clothing that demonstrates respect for the perspectives and sensibilities of the Japanese community and its range of values and beliefs that may relate to style of dress.
10. Do not use the host family telephones for calling home. Purchase of a pre-paid phone card in Canada or Japan is the preferred process.
11. Obtain the permission of the host family before using the family computer for E-Mail or other purposes.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____