Application Guidelines for 2020 Teaching English Volunteer Service in Taiwan

SPONSORS

Overseas Community Affairs Council, R.O.C. (Taiwan) (OCAC) Ministry of Education (MOE) Hakka Affairs Council (HAC) Council of Indigenous Peoples (CIP)

APPLICATION PERIOD

From February 1 to February 29 , 2020 $\langle\!\!\!\! \$ Applications must be received by the registration offices on or before February 29 $\rangle\!\!\!\!$

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

The program will be held from July 4 to July 29, 2020. There are 546 volunteers (includes 70 volunteers of Hakka origin) spots available this year. Volunteers will participate in training courses during the first week and teach English at one of various remote schools (70 Hakka volunteers will teach English at remote schools in Hakka dialects) during the second and third weeks. Then, a tour of various areas of Taiwan will be conducted during the last week.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPLICATION

- (1) Applicants must be in the 11th grade or above at the time of application and between the ages of 17 and 25 (as shown on passport) by November 30, 2020.
- (2) Applicants must currently reside in the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom, Ireland, South Africa or Belize.
- (3) Applicants should be in good health and English must be their native language.
- (4) Applicants must be highly motivated and have basic communication skills of spoken Mandarin.
- (5) Applicants who apply this program as Hakka origin must be recommended by Hakka societies or groups in their overseas residential areas.
- (6) Have not participated this program before.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

- (1) Each participant will be arranged to serve at one of various remote schools after completing the training courses.
- (2) Volunteers will teach English from Monday to Friday with a self-designed lesson plan.
- (3) Meals will be comprised of mainly Chinese food.
- (4) Accommodations: 4 to 6 people per room, separated by gender.
- (5) Participants **must** serve for the entire duration of the program except for health complications or other unexpected conditions. OCAC will issue a certificate of 80 service hours printed both in Chinese and English to those who have finished the whole program

and comply with the regulations of the sponsors, the organizer and the participating schools.

(6)Participants are required to submit a reflection essay at the end of the program. OCAC will reward a memorial program DVD to participants who accomplished the 80 service hours.

APPLICATION LOCATIONS

Please apply through ROC Embassies, Missions, or Cultural Centers in the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, United Kingdom, Ireland, South Africa or Belize (see the attachment for detailed addresses). Application forms can be obtained at the above offices or downloaded online at the OCAC website (<u>www.ocac.gov.tw</u>) / expatriate youth activities or the program website (<u>https://teenage.ocac.gov.tw</u>). Please submit the completed application package along with the required documents as detailed in "Application Procedures" to the above office nearest your current residence by February 29, 2020.

SUBMISSION OPTIONS

Please submit the application package personally or by mail to the above offices.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

- (1) The following documents (the application package) must be submitted personally or by mail to the above offices:
 - 1. <u>Application form</u> (please print out the page after submitting online application) with a $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch photo taken within six months of the date of submission.
 - 2. <u>Program Rules and Regulations Evaluation Table</u> signed by the applicant and the parent.
 - 3. <u>Personal Data Consent Form</u> signed by the (adult) applicant or the legal representative (when applicant is minor).
 - 4. <u>A copy of the applicant's health insurance card</u>.
 - 5. <u>Copies of the applicant's birth certificate and the residing country's passport</u>.
 - 6. <u>Official school cumulative grades transcript from the institute(s) of your highest level of education.</u>
- (3) The program's online registration will be open starting February 1, 2020 at the website (<u>https://teenage.ocac.gov.tw</u>). The applicant should create an account online to fill in personal information and upload an autobiography, a copy of school transcript, a copy of SAT or ACT score report, evidence of achievements, honors, deeds or qualifications etc., a personal photo, and a copy of the completed application form. After completing the registration procedures, print out the confirmation page (Internet Registration Sheet) and submit it with the above mentioned documents as part of the application package to the ROC Embassy, Mission, or one of the affiliated Cultural Centers nearest your current residence.
- (4) Your admission status with the program will be posted to your online account at the website (<u>https://teenage.ocac.gov.tw</u>) by March 31, 2020. Those admitted should confirm attendance online immediately, then, within the next 14 days, have their family doctor complete the <u>Health Certificate</u>, upload a copy to their web account, and mail the completed form to the same ROC Embassy, Mission, or Cultural Center where the application package was sent. If the applicant decides not to participate in the program, he/she should log in to the website and mark "Decline" in his/her personal account as early as possible. Those who decide to participate are required to provide their arrival flight

information online with a copy of purchased airline ticket and submit a request for airport pick-up if necessary, before May 15, 2020. The conditional admission may be withdrawn without the required information uploaded on time.

PROGRAM FEES

- For the entire duration of the program, the sponsors will pay for the meals, accommodations and group transportation in Taiwan. The sponsors will also provide NT\$4,000,000 travel insurance and NT\$400,000 medical insurance.
- The participant must pay the following expenses:
 - (1) Paid by the volunteers :Registration fee NT\$5,000 per person, to be paid to the host unit at the time of check-in. There will be no refund to those who leave the program early.
 - (2) Round-trip air fares from the country of residence to Taiwan.
 - (3) Personal medical expenses exceeding the insurance's coverage.
 - (4) Accommodations and other expenses if the participant arrives earlier or leaves later.

VISA

The program will last for 26 days. The participant should contact the nearby ROC Embassy, Mission or Cultural Office beforehand to apply for a proper visa. Visa Exempt Entry and Landing Visa are NOT appropriate for any stay over 30 days. The OCAC and program organizer should not be held responsible for any inconvenience that may be caused if the participant's visa is overdue.

Important Notices

Admitted applicants can not request specific hosting school assignments. The program sponsors have the right to withdraw certificates of volunteer service if volunteers do not fully participate in all activities assigned in the first three weeks, follow the hosting school's rules, and/or fulfill their responsibilities to the program. Exceptions will be made in cases of emergency and/or hospitalization.

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華府華僑文教服務中心

CULTURE CENTER OF TAIPEI ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE IN THE UNITED STATES

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