

2006 Summer Study Tour to Japan Fact Sheet

ELIGIBILITY: All Hawaii public high school students and all Hawaii public charter school students in grades 9-12 are eligible to apply. Students who have participated in PAAC clubs or after-school classes may be given preference in the selection process.

DATES: Applications available on-line now. Applications due March 03, 2006. Orientation on Oahu from 11-16 June. Leave Honolulu for Tokyo on June 19 and return to Honolulu on July 5.

PARTICIPANTS: 20 public high school students from throughout Hawaii.

CHAPERONES: Natasha Chappel, PAAC High School Program Director, Tandy Awaya, Higher Education and Community Relations Coordinator, and one other chaperone TBA

ITINERARY (Tentative) June 20-24 Tokyo, June 24-27 Kyoto and Osaka, June 28-29 Hiroshima, June 30-July 1 Fukuoka, July 2-5 Okinawa

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Delicious Japanese cuisine
- Traditional theater performances
- Exploring Japan's transportation system and riding the *Shinkansen* (bullet train)
- Home stay experience with a local family
- Kyoto's famous temples and shrines
- Hiroshima's Peace Park and A-bomb memorial
- Learning *taiko* drumming
- Meeting young professionals from Hawaii working in Japan
- Touring the Mazda Auto Factory
- Staying overnight in a *ryokan* (Japanese-style inn)
- Relaxing in a traditional *onsen* (Japanese bath)
- Learning about Okinawa's unique history
- Meeting Okinawan high school students

COSTS: Scholarship includes roundtrip international airfare, domestic travel, 3 meals daily, all lodging, visa fees, airport transfers, admission costs for all scheduled group activities and travel insurance. Students will be responsible for bringing enough spending money (\$200.00 recommended) to cover telephone, email and laundry costs in hotel rooms, any desired gifts or souvenirs, and supplemental meals and snacks.

REQUIREMENTS: All selected students must present proof of health insurance valid for the duration of the program. All selected students will be responsible for obtaining a valid US passport (if they are not in possession of one already).