

# APPLICATION FOR 2024 WENATCHEE VALLEY MISAWA SISTER CITY STUDENT AMBASSADOR

Applications must be complete, and your check and a copy of your passport (or pending passport application) must be attached or your application will be returned. Please fill in and print the application; no handwritten applications will be accepted. Application deadline is February 25, 2024.

Students currently enrolled in the seventh through twelfth grades may participate as Student Ambassadors. All applicants must be available in 2024 to travel with the Sister City delegation to Misawa, Japan, as ambassadors of goodwill.

Selected students must submit a current passport (or a copy of a pending application), a \$200 down payment (refundable if not selected), and \$25 membership dues. The cost of the trip is approximately \$2,500, which includes the airfare. The initial payment (for the airline ticket) is due by March 15, 2024, with the remainder due by June 1, 2024.

- Ambassadors must be current members of the Wenatchee Valley Misawa Sister City Association. Membership dues are \$25.00 per family.
- Selected Ambassadors will be expected to abide by a dress code throughout the trip. Red and blue shirts with the Sister City Association logo will be purchased by everyone and worn to many events while on the trip.
- Ambassadors must be physically able to carry their own luggage on stairs and when boarding trains, subways, etc., throughout the trip, as well as to walk up to five miles each day while touring Tokyo and Misawa.
- Ambassadors should expect to encounter many cultural differences. In order to
  enjoy the trip, an attitude of fun, flexibility, and openness to new experiences is
  required. These experiences will include new foods, schedule changes, and other
  cultural differences. Expect an adventure, and you won't be disappointed!
- Ambassadors will be staying with a Japanese host family, and students may be asked to share a room with a Japanese student. You will be eating some meals with your host family, and some meals with the delegation, as supplied by the Sister City Association. An attitude of gratitude and graciousness is expected at all times. Because of COVID restrictions, applicants may be staying at the Misawa International Center. More information to come.
- Participants are required to attend a local Japan Evening, to study basic Japanese phrases and learn about Japanese culture and etiquette. Students will also participate in a group talent show. This may include singing, a skit, or dancing. Students will be required to practice during the summer prior to the August departure. (This is a highlight of the trip, and greatly enjoyed by former students and the Japanese host families.)

Visit: www.wenatcheevalleymisawa.org

#### **Student Ambassador Application**

☐ Attach a copy of your Passport (or pending application)

☐ Attach a current photograph of yourself ☐ Attach \$200 deposit, payable to WVMSCA ☐ Attach \$25 membership fee, if not already a member ☐ Application is due by February 25, 2024					
Full Name (from Passport)				Nickname	
Current	Grade			Current School	
Date of Birth			F	amily Members	
		Mailing A	Address		
Home Phone		Cell	Phone	Parent's Phone	
Emergency Phone		Nam	e and Relationship		
Email Address		Pare	nt's Email Address		
Allergies					
Hobbies and Interests					
Group Affiliations					
and Community Activities					
Brief Introduction for Host Family					
Where Did You Hear About the Misawa Trip?					

List two (2) community members who can vouch for your character, community involvement, and youth leadership.

Name	Address	Telephone	Years Known

List two (2) current teachers who can vouch for your character, community involvement, and youth leadership.

Name	Class(es)	Years Known

List your school activities for 2023-2024.

Activities	

List any musical, dance, art, or other special talents you can share with others.

Talents
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List any medical issues that we would need to communicate to Japanese host families (i.e., allergies, cigarette smoke sensitivity, asthma, diabetes, daily required medications, etc.).

Medical Concerns	

Describe your past involvement with Japanese culture.

Japanese Culture
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Write a fifty-word paragraph explaining why <u>you</u> would make a good Student Ambassador to Japan.

Essay		
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List any office disciplin	ne referrals for	1 2023-202	24 to date (EJHS list # refocus for	rms).
Discipline				
For verification of above	information, pl	ease comp	lete the following before submitting	:
Principal Sign for Student C	Citizenship	Date	Counselor Sign for Discipline	Date
Parent Signature (verifying I hereby authorize permisto WVMSCA. This infor	ssion for the sch	nool to give	Date e any information pertinent to this applential. Parent Initials:	pplication

#### Please download, type (required), and return completed form by mail to:

WVMSCA P.O. Box 5385 Wenatchee, Washington 98807-5385

You may also deliver the completed application to the East Wenatchee City Hall. Applications must be postmarked or received no later than **February 25, 2024**. You will be notified by email of your selection after February 25, 2024. For any questions or additional information, please contact **LaVerne Bergstrom at (509) 884-3865**.

### **Consent for Youth Travel**

I,	, entrust	, the leader of
the delegation	n, with the responsibility of guidi	ng my child
(birthdate of	) on a trip outside	
Japan, as a member o	f the Wenatchee Valley Misawa S	Sister City Delegation.
Signature of Parent o	r Guardian	Date
Autho	rization for Medic	cal Treatment
I,		or legal guardian of oth emergency and routine medical
		er condition so require it, per the
judgment of a qualif	ied health provider. I impose no	specific limitations or prohibitions
regarding treatment,	as long as the treatment is consid	dered necessary to the situation, and
is in accordance with	generally accepted standards of	f medical practice for the particular
type of injury or illne	ss involved.	
Signature of Parent o	r Guardian	Date
Address		Contact Number
(See second page for	medical details.)	

## **Information for Medical Treatment**

Basic Medical History
Medicines the Youth Takes Regularly
Allergies
Health Insurance Details

### Self-Introduction • 自己紹介

Name • 名前		
Gender • 性別	☐ Male (男)	☐ Female (女)
Birthdate • 誕生日		
Address • 住所		
Phone Number • 電話番号		
Email Address • メールアドレス		
Occupation School Name and Grade 職業/学校名		
About Your Family (siblings, parents)家族構成		
Allergies (animals, food, etc.) アレルギー		
Favorite Food 好きな食べ物		
Food Dislikes 苦手な食べ物		
Special Request for Homestay ホームステイの希望		
Hobbies • 趣味		
T-Shirt Size 服のサイズ (Tシャツ)		
Height • 身長		
Other • そのほか		

#### Wenatchee Valley Misawa Sister City Association Teacher Evaluation Form CONFIDENTIAL • PLEASE MAIL WITHIN 24 HOURS

Student Name:	Teach	ner:

The student named above has applied to be a Student Ambassador with the 2023 Wenatchee Valley Misawa Sister City Delegation, traveling to Misawa, Japan. In order for the Wenatchee Valley Misawa Sister City Association to accurately evaluate and select quality students as Ambassadors, we ask for your cooperation in filling out this form and returning it in the provided envelope. All information is held confidential. Thank you in advance for your time.

Quality	Low			-	Hig	gh
Leadership	1	2	3	4	5	
Dependability	1	2	3	4	5	
Attitude of Cooperation	1	2	3	4	5	
Group Compatibility	1	2	3	4	5	
Use of	1	2	3	4	5	
Appropriate						
Language						
Respectful to Adults	1	2	3	4	5	
Obedience to Authority	1	2	3	4	5	
Adaptability	1	2	3	4	5	

Please provide any additional information that you feel the selection board should be aware of at this time.