### -Participation Announcement-2022 OKFriends Homecoming Teens, Youth Camp

The Overseas Koreans Foundation(OKF) was established in 1997 under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, with the purpose of serving the 7.5 million Koreans residing abroad by imbuing them with a sense of ethnic familiarity and bolstering their growth into model citizens in their respective countries.

Through '2022 OKFriends Homecoming Teens and Youth Camp,' OKF aims to provide Korean teens and youth from around the world with a chance to communicate and cultivate familiarity amongst their fellow peers, as well as an opportunity to develop leadership skills and a sense of pride in their Korean heritage by experiencing the society, history, and culture of their homeland.

## Overview

#### 1. Our Goal

- To provide overseas Korean youth with networking opportunities and a sense of pride in their Korean heritage by experiencing Korean society, history, and culture.
- To cultivate ethnic familiarity between domestic and overseas Koreans and induce growth into global future generation leaders.

#### 2. Overview

Program Name	-2022 OKFriends Homecoming Teens Camp-	-2022 OKFriends Homecoming Youth Camp-				
Period	<ul> <li>1st: '22.7.14(Thur.) ~ 19(Tues.)     (5 nights 6 days)</li> <li>2nd: '22.7.28(Thur.) ~ 8.2(Tues.)     (5 nights 6 days)</li> <li>3rd: '23.1.12(Thur.) ~ 17(Tues.)     (5 nights 6 days)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>1st: '22.7.20(Wed.) ~ 27(Wed.) (7 nights 8 days)</li> <li>2nd: '22.8.3(Wed.) ~ 10(Wed.) (7 nights 8 days)</li> </ul>				
Venue	<ul> <li>Teens: National Youth Center(divided into groups of 150)</li> <li>Youth: Seoul and Other Regions</li> </ul>					
Eligibility	o Age 14~18 ('22.7.1 reference) Overseas Korean Middle and High School students	o Age 18~25('22.7.1 reference) Overseas Koreans enrolled in University or Preliminary University Students  ** Taking into accout the differences in the international academic calendars, 18 year old preliminary university students may apply to				

		either the Teens or Youth Program.
Main program	<ul> <li>Understanding Korea (Exploring and Experiencing)</li> <li>Experiencing Traditional&amp;Modern Korea and Korean Wave</li> <li>Understanding Koreans (Connecting and Familiarizing)</li> <li>Cultural Exchange with Korean Students</li> <li>Finding Korean Identity (Education and Participation)</li> <li>Korean and Culture lectures, lectures by themes, social participation and sharing activity</li> <li>Contributing to the Development of Korean (Presentation and Evaluation)</li> <li>Presentations about impression and willingness to practice, Evaluation and Suggestions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Finding Korean Identity (Exploring and Experiencing)</li> <li>Experiencing Korean Language and Culture, visiting historical sites and major facilities</li> <li>Public Diplomacy         Activity(Education and Participation)</li> <li>Global campaign, Cultural Public Diplomacy activity regarding K-culture and related activities</li> <li>Developing Global Leadership Skills (Debate and Education)</li> <li>Discussion on Global Citizenship, Environment, Unification, etc.</li> <li>Understanding Koreans (Connecting and Socializing)</li> <li>Exchange with Korean Students and next generation leaders, Volunteer activity</li> </ul>

\* In the application form, Teens Camp applicants are required to select which period (among 3) to take part in.

### **Application and Selection Method**

### 1. Number of Participants

OKFriends HomeComing Teens Camp: 1,000 participants

- 1st Camp: 400 participants, 2nd Camp: 400 participants, 3rd: 200 participants

OKFriends HomeComing Youth Camp: 400 participants

-  $1^{\text{st}}$  Camp: 200 participants,  $2^{\text{nd}}$  Camp : 200 participants

	'22 participants by countries					
Region	Teens Camp		Youth Camo		Total(%)	
	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	
North America	100	100	10	35	35	280(14%)
Europe	20	10	10	10	10	60(3%)
Asia Pacific	50	40	100	35	35	260(13%)
Africa∙Middle East	10	10	10	10	10	50(2.5%)
Latin America	10	10	20	20	20	80(4%)
Russia·CIS	80	70	20	50	50	270(13.5%)
Japan	30	100	20	5	5	160(8%)
China	100	60	10	35	35	240(12%)
Domestic	200	200	100	50	50	600(30%)
Total	600	600	300	250	250	2,000(100%)

#### 2. Qualifications

- Overseas Korean Middle/High School and University Students
  - Who have resided legally overseas for 5 years or more
    - · National Citizens, Permanent Residents, Korean Nationals, Adoptees and Children of Adoptees, Children from Multi-Cultural Families
    - · Descendants of Independence Patriots, CIS Koreans(Goryeoin), Chinese Koreans etc
    - · Students who are willing to contribute to the Overseas Korean community and have outstanding achievements in volunteer service for Korean society
    - · Must be in good physical and mental health and able to fully participate in the program
    - · Must not be involved in conflicts with the Immigration control laws of the residing country.
  - \*\* The number of former participants will be no more than 10% of total participants.
    - Former participants : Those who have participated in the program within the past 3 years

#### 3. Application Method

Visit www.korean.net, create an account, and apply.

#### 4. Selection Process

- Among those who have submitted all required documents, we will evaluate the following :
  - Self-Introductory Letter, Reason of Application(check it agrees with the programs objectives)
  - Community and service record in the community in country of residence (Reference)
  - Recommendation from the Korean Consulate General in residing country (Reference)
  - Other information decided through the selection process

#### 5. Preferred Applicants

- Students who write their self-introductory letter and reason of application with motivation
- Students who is fluent in Korean

- Students excelling in different categories
- Students who have received awards in academic fields and other extracurricular activities
- Students who have completed considerable amounts of community service.

#### 6. Application Process

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- · www.korean.net
- · www.okf.or.kr
- Korean Consulate General at abroad

#### ② Applicants

#### Complete Application Form

- · Log on to www.korean.net
- Create an account(ID/PW)
- · Choose among 1<sup>st</sup> , 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Teens Camp
- Upload form and documents
- Designate Diplomatic Office
- Complete application and check application number
- · Check registration result through e-mail

#### **3 Korean Consulate** General

# > Participant recommendation

- Collection of applications
- · Confirm application form and documents
- Decision of recommended student
- Send official letter after setting priority

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# Final Selection of ParticipantsForm a deliberation

- Form a deliberation committee
- Final selection of participants
- Notification of result through www.korean.net, Korean Consulate General at abroad

#### **5 Overseas Koreans**

# Check selection result

- · Log on to www.korean.net
- · Enter ID/PW
- · Enter application number
- · Check final result
- ※ Results can also be found through the Korean Consulate General at abroad and the Overseas Koreans Foundation.

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#### > Airfare Support

- Notification of flight schedule
- Guidance of information such as entry and departure of country necessary for participation in camp.

#### 7. Reasons for Exclusion

O Currently undergoing treatment for weak neuropsychiatry and may be overcome by shock, seizure or any abnormal behavior during the event

- Requirement of special attention due to severe allergies, seizures, and shocks caused by certain foods
- Applicants from certain regions may be excluded from selection (as a precautionary measure) to prevent the spread of infectious diseases.

### **Support Content**

#### 1. Airfare

- o 50% of the airfare (round-trip and economy class) to all participants
  - For Mexican/Cuban-Korean Descendants, Korean adoptees & children of adoptees, 100% of the Airfare is provided. (The cooperating institution YMCA will purchase the ticket and send it to participants through a process of delivery to be announced later).
- \*\*Those who participated in online camp in 2021 may have additional support depends on his/her completion grade(up to 20%)

#### Principles of Airfare Support

- Airfare Provision is only applicable if the ticket was purchased for the purpose of attending this program.
- ※In 2022, in order to correspond to changes in the external environment such as the COVID-19 situation, tickets to enter Korea within 1 month before the camp or leave the country within 1 month after the camp will be supported
  - The airfare is supported when the participant departs from the residence area. However, if departing from other areas outside of your residence due to your personal circumstances, support airfare will apply based on your local residence airfare (if departing from other area is more expensive than the local area airfare).
    - Ex) Residing country: Japan + Departing country: United States ⇒
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# 2. Meals and Accommodations are provided **\*\*** wonly during the program dates

# 3. Medical Insurance (Traveler's Insurance) Subscription is provided \*\*only during the program dates

### Application Process and Result Notification

#### 1. Application and Submission

#### A. Application deadline (Korean Time)

- O Submission Deadline: Before 2022. May. 11(Wed.)
- Korean Consulate General Revision : Recommendations submitted by 2022. May. 20(Fri.)
- Participant selection and result notification : Before 2022. May.
   31(Tue.) through www.korean.net

#### **B.** Documents Submissions

- Required Documents(Write in Korean or English directly on the online application form)
  - Application Form, Permission to request personal information and consent of usage
  - ② Self-Introductory Letter (Written in English or Korean)※ Must write place of Birth and Period of time living abroad
  - ③ Certificate of Enrollment or Admission letter (Upload directly to the online application form)

#### Optional Documents(Upload directly to the online application form)

- ① Special Skills, Awards (Copy)
- ② Recommendation Letter (Principal, Counselor)
- X Participants must visit the Overseas Koreans Foundation website (www.korean.net) to upload and submit all required application forms and documents.
- Email, phone number, and contact information must be accurate (Notification of selection results, announcements including schedule and program information will be frequently send via email)
- \* Must write an emergency contact and a Korean contact number

#### C. Application Process (Check appendix for details)

#### 2. Results and Further Questions

- To be announced through Overseas Koreans Foundation website www.korean.net, on 2022. May. 31 or Results can be checked through the Korean Consulate General or Overseas Koreans Foundation Future Generations Department
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