

Exchange Program in Shakotan Town (2-day program)

HIECC, Hokkaido International Exchange & Cooperation Center, proudly announces that we are now looking out for international students to join an exchange program, which will be held in Shakotan-town (near Otaru city) from November 25th to 26th. This is a 2-day program, and free of charge to join.

There are **(1) 6 seats opening for international students who are fluent in Japanese, and (2) 3 seats opening for international students who are fluent in English.**

*3 students shown in (2) go to a Junior high school during a school visit, and the program will proceed mainly in English.

The main purpose of this program is to promote international understandings for both local children in Shakotan Town and for you.



(1) You will be asked to introduce yourselves and your country during a school visit. Please make about 20 min. presentation.

(2) No interpreter during the school visit, that's why we need 6 students who can speak Japanese language. At least daily conversations skills are necessary for you to communicate with children. (If you go to a junior high school, you will communicate in English and English teachers will be assisting you when necessary.)

(3) When you are selected as participants, please attend **a program orientation** at HIECC office (near

Hokkaido Prefectural Govt. bldg.) on **Tuesday of the November 14th starting at 18:15.**

Shakotan Town is famous for beautiful ocean and delicious sea foods. Please don't hesitate to apply for this program, since it is designed to have fun. Furthermore, it might be a unique experience to visit one of the rural areas in Hokkaido. We do look forward to having you in this program!!!

[Programs (tentative)]

*Schedule is subject to change.

Saturday, November 25		Sunday, November 26	
12:00	Leave Hokkaido Govt. Annex Bldg. (Kita-3, Nishi-7, Chuo-ku, Sapporo)	7:30	Breakfast
14:00	Arrive at Shakotan-town	8:45	Check-out Guest house
14:30	Town tour (Visit to Cape Kamui, Onsen experience etc.)	9:30~14:00	<u>School Visit</u> @elementary or junior high school
17:30	Check-in Guest House	<i>* You will be separated to attend the school visit program one by one.</i>	
18:00	Dinner	15:00	Leave Shakotan-town
19:00	Exchange with staffs of board of education of Shakotan town	17:00	Arrive at Hokkaido Govt. Annex Bldg. (Kita-3, Nishi-7, Chuo-ku, Sapporo)

- Please apply for the program **by October 25th (Wed.)** (*The result will be announced to applicants at the end of October by E-mail. This is NOT first-come, first-served basis. The organizer will decide participants upon the requests from school sides.)
- When you apply, please give us the following information; 1 your name; 2 country; 3 age; 4 male/female; 5 major; 6 Japanese level; 7 food restrictions or concerns.
- Please avoid making any sudden cancellation after you are chosen, since children will start all the preparation to welcome you.
- Please contact MATSUI for further information.

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