

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

Dear Esteemed Colleagues,

**RE: YRDSB 2018 Summer Teach Abroad Student Volunteer Program**

Community and International Education Services (CIES) will be offering the **Summer Teach Abroad Student Volunteer Program** again in 2018.

This year, we are looking for **25 Grades 10 and 11** students **holding Canadian passports**, who would be interested in assisting ESL teachers in a high school setting in Taiwan, from July 20 to August 20, 2018.

The students will be accompanied by teachers from York Region District School Board who will be going to Taiwan to deliver English Summer Camp programs for Grades 7-8 students at **various schools** in Taiwan.

Selected students will assist the YRDSB teachers in ESL classrooms on weekdays for 3 weeks and participate in a 1-week student exchange program with students from the New Taipei City Education Bureau. Weekends, will consist of our students participating in specially designed sessions covering Taiwanese/Chinese Culture, excursions, and seminars about global issues. All students will be staying at the student residence at the **Wesley Girls' High School** campus, which has a fully equipped canteen and activity spaces.

Students will be responsible for the cost of their own round-trip airfare and travel/medical insurance, approximately \$2,200.00 CAD per person. Student will also be required pay a **\$500.00 CAD** program fee. This program fee will cover the costs of student accommodations, some meals, Chinese/Taiwanese cultural sessions as well as 2 cultural excursions.

Upon successful completion of this 4-week program, Community and International Education Services (CIES) will award all participating students with 100 community service hours.

The Program looks for candidates who are:

- |                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| ✓ Excellent leaders  | ✓ Good role models                      |
| ✓ Independent        | ✓ Flexible                              |
| ✓ Creative           | ✓ Team players                          |
| ✓ Good communicators | ✓ Good ambassadors for Canada and YRDSB |

**How to Apply**

Principals will recommend a maximum of **5 candidates** from their respective school. These candidates will be notified by their school administration to submit the following documents to International Education Services by **March 31, 2018**:

- ✓ Completed Application Form (Please see attached)
- ✓ Copy of the student's passport photo page
- ✓ Resume
- ✓ Recommendation from the Principal
- ✓ 1 Reference letter from his/her current teacher

25 students from the list of recommended candidates will receive an invitation to attend an information session on **Wednesday April 18, 2018** from **4:30pm to 6:00pm** in the **Cafeteria**, at the **Dr. Bette Stephenson Centre for Learning**.



---

## COMMUNITY & INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION SERVICES

*Dr. Bette Stephenson Centre for Learning  
International Education Services  
36 Regatta Avenue, Richmond Hill, ON L4E 4R1*

**Tel:** 905-884-2046  
**Fax:** 905-773-2406  
**Website:** [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca)

For further information, please contact:

**Ms. Eden Xiao**  
Community & International Education Services  
Dr. Bette Stephenson Centre for Learning  
36 Regatta Avenue, Richmond Hill, Ontario L4E 4R1  
Tel: 905-884 2046 Ext. 259 Fax: 905-773 2406  
Email: [teach.abroad@yrdsb.ca](mailto:teach.abroad@yrdsb.ca)

Thank you very much for your support of this exciting program.

With deep appreciation,

Susie Nunes