

BUILDING BRIDGES OF FRIENDSHIP ACROSS THE SEAS FOR OVER 36 YEARS

Founded in 1988, the Sausalito-Sakaide Sister City Program has been building bridges of friendship between the United States and Japan for over 36 years. This once-in-a-lifetime experience offers an enriching cultural exchange opportunity for students to become delegates and foster international connections. This unique program establishes a bridge between Sausalito, California, and Sakaide, Japan, promoting cross-cultural understanding and friendship.

To be eligible for this program, you must be a Marin County high school student between the ages of 14-17, have a valid passport, and be available to travel between July 26th and August 7th, 2024.

A life changing adventure in international friendship

Our student delegates stay with Japanese families in homestay accommodations, immersing themselves in the daily routines, customs, and traditions of a typical Japanese family. During our program, delegates engage in a variety of educational activities, in past years this has included ikebana, kayaking, sports chanbara, sea fishing, making mochi and udon, experiencing traditional tea ceremony, visiting temples and shrines, and participating in a summer festival parade. Our program focuses on cultural immersion and language exchange, fostering a deeper appreciation for cross-cultural understanding and international friendship. Through this transformative experience, delegates not only expand their personal horizons, but also strengthen the longstanding friendship between Sausalito and Sakaide.



Joining the Sausalito-Sakaide Sister City Program as a student delegate promises to be a rewarding adventure, providing lifelong memories and valuable insights into diplomacy and international relations.

To Apply:

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Associated Program Costs

Program Fee: \$975

Plane tickets: \$2071 (approximately)

Financial Aid is available for those who qualify, reach out to us if you think you need it.

Applications due: March 31st, 2024





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