

Please print and sign the Letter of Understanding and mail to the address below. Only applications which bear original signatures on this application are accepted by The Laurasian Institution.

**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING**

In consideration of acceptance and participation in the NP:J program, I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree and consent as follows:

- I have read and fully understand the document entitled *Important Details* with special attention to the sections on Additional Fees and Cancellation Refund Policies and NP:J Rules for Participant Behavior. I understand that as the chaperoning teacher, it is my responsibility to meet regularly with my students to ensure that they are prepared for the study tour and behave appropriately while participating in NP:J.
- The Laurasian Institution (TLI) will not be held liable for any of the actions or negligence of any third parties including, but not limited to, commercial airlines, hotels, and restaurants.
- TLI, the host school, and host family are not and will not be held liable for any injuries to me or my possessions.
- TLI is not responsible for providing insurance coverage of any kind during the NP: J program. I understand and agree that I am responsible for my own insurance including, but not limited to, health, travel, and life insurance. Furthermore, I understand that I am required to have and show proof of health insurance coverage abroad for the duration of my NP:J tour.
- Any and all debts incurred by me during this program including, but not limited to, medical, dental, and hospital bills, are my own responsibility and will not be paid by TLI.
- TLI reserves the right to change or alter travel, lodging, or other arrangements without notice or reason.
- TLI may remove me from the program at any time for reasons TLI deems sufficient including, but not limited to, my health, attitude, or behavior. I understand that expenses incurred for such removal are my responsibility and must be paid by me immediately upon demand.
- I am of sound physical and mental condition and have no medical problems or disabilities that have not been set forth in writing attached hereto or which would make participation in this program inadvisable. Furthermore, I understand that extensive walking and stair climbing are part of everyday Japanese life and culture, and I will be physically and mentally prepared for extensive walking and stair climbing.
- All costs that are not explicitly included in the program are my own responsibility.
- Photos taken of me during the course of the tour may be uploaded to the NP:J website and used in promotional materials.
- Due to scheduling difficulties beyond NP:J's control, homestay families may not be confirmed until days prior to your departure for Japan. NP:J will, of course, make every effort to encourage host families to submit their information in a timely manner.
- I understand that if I request a Japanese volunteer to accompany my group during any portion of the NP:J tour, there will be a charge of \$250-500 per volunteer depending on the number of days and specific responsibilities. This fee may be paid by me or divided among my students.
- I understand that all passport copies for my group must be postmarked to NP:J by March 16, 2010.

The signed applications, down payments (*please make sure that participants' full names are on checks to ensure proper crediting*), and scholarship materials (*if applicable*) are enclosed. I have also read the foregoing and consent and agree to its contents.

Signature of Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Mail this form, your students' signed applications, and down payments to:*  
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