



Lower Hutt City and Minoh City Teacher Exchange Programme

Application criteria

Guidelines for applying to participate in this exchange programme.

All applicants must:

- be over 18 years old and physically able to travel independently and internationally
- teach in a Lower Hutt School and be committed to hosting a Minoh teacher at their school for some of their time here the following year
- live within the boundary of Lower Hutt City and be able to reciprocate home hosting a Minoh teacher the following year
- have some knowledge and skill in basic Japanese phrases (if not, participate in Japanese language preparation/self-learning prior to travelling)
- be prepared to take two weeks to travel to Minoh (during September/October school holidays)

Prior to travelling to Minoh the successful applicants will be expected to:

- participate in a cross-cultural understanding orientation session
- be prepared to join English classes in Minoh schools as an assistant teacher
- prepare New Zealand based cultural and language activities for different age levels
- contact selected Minoh host teacher by Skype or email before departing New Zealand
- initiate fundraising activities to assist in the outbound and inbound Lower Hutt/Minoh City Teacher exchanges
- organise personal mobile wi-fi for use in Japan
- present a report to the MINTEX Group within one month of arriving home
- promote the exchange programme to Hutt schools and citizens
- be willing to present experiences and benefits to future applicants and Hutt City Council as required

For further clarification on any of the above points please phone Vesna West on 027 881 5628 or email international@huttcity.govt.nz