HOW TO BECOME A PROJECT BRIDGE YOUTH AMBASSADOR

Application Requirements
To be considered for the Project Bridge Program, students must:

✔ Be a Montana resident: homeschooled or attending a public or private Montana high school during the 2019-2020 school year.
✔ Be in the 11th grade for the current school year.
✔ Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
✔ Have a passing Grade Point Average (GPA) – 2.0 minimum.
✔ Not currently on academic suspension.
✔ Demonstrate a strong interest and desire to learn about different cultures.
✔ Demonstrate maturity and interpersonal skills to adapt to an environment different from their own.
✔ Be available to attend 8 bi-monthly meetings and one weekend retreat between December 2019 and April 2020 and two post-travel workshops.
✔ Be willing to actively participate in discussions and projects.
✔ Be able to be absent from school for eight days during the study tour to the Republic of Korea in April 2020.

Applying

• Complete an application with all required information and signatures.
• Submit an unofficial or official copy of your academic transcript of high school study.
• Submit two recommendations (forms included in the application packet) from teachers, coaches, or employers who know you well. One recommendation must be from a current teacher.
  o Recommendations from immediate family, relatives, or friends are not acceptable.
• Application and supplemental materials must be emailed or sent to the Mansfield Center and postmarked by October 25, 2019. (See below for complete mailing address or email address.)
  o Applications mailed after the postmark deadline will not be considered.
  o Incomplete applications will not be considered.
• Finalists who move to the interview stage will be contacted in early November.
Program Costs:

All expenses are covered for this program; it is fully funded by The Korea Society, Pacific Century Institute, The Mansfield Center and our sponsors. These expenses include all pre-and post-study tour meetings, airfare to and from Korea, and all lodging, transportation and meals in Korea. Passport and travel immunization costs are NOT covered expenses. You are responsible for these costs if applicable. Scholarships are available with demonstrated financial need. Please note your request for this support as an additional letter in your application package.

Program Requirements:

Project Bridge enjoys an excellent reputation in New York, Los Angeles, and the Republic of Korea for the quality of its students and programming. Students are expected to show maturity, use good judgment and to:

- Participate in all orientation sessions and program activities before the trip to Korea, which is scheduled for 12 days in April 2020 (10 day study-tour and 2 travel days). Generally, starting in December, there are two mandatory meetings per month. A schedule will be distributed at the initial orientation.
- Complete all assignments, such as journal entries, research, essays, and presentations.
- Be physically able to withstand the conditions of travel. This includes a long flight (approximately 14 hours each way to Korea) and an intensive field trip in Korea.
- Participate in all post-trip activities scheduled by The Mansfield Center.

For further information or to submit your application please contact:

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