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BIBLE SCHOOL 2019 TUITION, EXPENSES & DATES

1. FEES & PAYMENT SCHEDULES

A. **TOTAL: Total payment for Tuition is ¥303,000JPY**

Includes tuition, accommodation, meals, and study tools/reading material for the full 8-week program for one person.

B. **TUITION DEPOSIT: Due March 15, 2019**

Please note that a **¥98,000 JPY** deposit is due in our office by March 15, 2019. The deposit will secure your place in the program, and will be deducted from the Tuition fee.

C. **TUITION: Due at Registration May 24th , 2019**

The remaining balance of **¥205 000** will be due at Registration on the 24th of May.

D. **ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PAYMENT:**

Cash:

Fees can be paid in person by cash (in Japanese Yen) at registration. If you select this option, we advise you to have money exchanged in North America or at the Narita airport as currency exchange facilities are not widely available in our area of Japan.

Credit Card:

Fees can be paid via credit card. Credit card payments must be received and processed prior to your arrival. Please contact our office if you would like to pay via credit card and we will send you an electronic invoice via email. Please note that an additional 3.36% fee applies to all credit card payments.

2. **OTHER EXPENSES**

A. TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM NARITA AIRPORT

There is a very efficient and easy to use bus system between either of the two major airports in Tokyo (the Narita Airport and the Haneda Airport) and Gotemba city (a city approximately 30 minutes away from the Torchbearers Yamanakako Centre). Pick ups can be arranged from Gotemba. The fee for the bus service between Narita airport and Gotemba city is currently **¥4100 JPY one way**. The fee for the bus service between Haneda airport and Gotemba city is currently **¥2050 JPY one way**. Please be sure to have **Japanese cash** in order to pay for your transportation to and from the airport.

B. JAPANESE CONVERSATION CLASS (Optional)

Weekly Japanese conversation lessons are held on Tuesday mornings. Cost for the lessons for the duration of the term is **¥3500 JPY** (this includes 6 – 7 classes). In order to participate in the lessons students must prepay the entire amount during orientation. There are no refunds for missed lessons and you will be expected to make a commitment to being at all of them. The nearby city of Fujiyoshida organizes volunteers to teach these classes and therefore we asks that anyone participating in these courses commits to doing their best to participate each week. Funds collected will go towards gas fees and for a teacher appreciation party that we will host at the end of the term.

C. MISCELLANEOUS

There will be other items that you should take into account when planning for your weekly expenses, ex. laundry, personal toiletry needs, transportation, snacks, souvenirs.

Ex: Laundry: Laundry machines are available, although limited, at the Centre for ¥200 JPY per wash load and ¥200 JPY per dry load. Laundry detergent is included in the fee. A local Laundromat is also available for approximately ¥800 per load.

Ex: Local Transportation: The Center is located in a small village of approximately 5000 people. The closest city, Fujiyoshida (population 50 000) is located about 25 minutes away. Bus fare one way into the city costs approximately **¥800 JPY** one way. Students are welcome to head into the city if they wish on their time off.

Ex: Optional Student Activities: There are lots of things to do and to enjoy in and around the property and in Japan. Mountain bikes are available for rent from the Center for ¥100 per hour. Student trips into neighboring towns for supper (sushi!?) often cost between ¥1000 and ¥2000 depending on your meal choice. A day at the local amusement park (Fujikyū Highland) would cost approximately ¥7500. An optional school day trip into Tokyo costs ¥2000 for transportation plus your meals. There are also lots of great student activities and recreational options that are free!

3. PROGRAM DATES

Arrival Day:

Thursday May 23rd , 2019

Students are welcome to arrive at the Centre anytime after 3pm on the 23rd of May.

***Please note that in order to arrive on the 23rd, you may need to depart your home country on the 22nd or possibly even the 21st. Please double-check your itinerary carefully to ensure that you are arriving on the correct date.**

Dinner will be provided on the evening of the 23rd.

Students arriving into the Narita airport on the 23rd are instructed to catch the bus from the Narita Airport to Gotemba city (Bus is bound for Shin-Fuji and costs ¥4100 JPY one way – additional arrival instructions will be sent to you once we have received your flight itinerary). Buses depart from the Narita Airport bound for Gotemba at 1045 and 605pm each day. Please be sure to book a flight that will allow you to catch one of these buses. Arrangements will be made so that a Torchbearers Yamanakako representative will be in Gotemba to meet the bus and bring you back to the Center. Excellent bus service from Tokyo's Haneda airport is also available. It is a shorter and a cheaper trip than the bus from Narita to Gotemba.

Once your flights are booked, a copy of your itinerary and scan of your passport should be sent to our office by e-mail (torchbearersjapan@live.com). Please let us know how you intend to get to the Centre and whether or not you require a pick up from Gotemba.

Parents and friends are welcome to join us for supper on the arrival day at 6:30pm. Please book your guests through our office. Rooms are also available for out-of-town guests at a reasonable rate. Please contact our office for more information. torchbearersjapan@live.com

Registration Day:

Friday May 24th, 2019

Registration will take place on Friday morning directly following breakfast.

Graduation
Banquet/Ceremony:

Thursday July 18th, 2019

Graduation ceremony and banquet will be held in the evening of Thursday July 18th.

Parents and friends are welcome to join us for the banquet and ceremony commencing at 6:00pm. Please book your guests through our office. Rooms are also available for out-of-town guests at reasonable rates. Please contact our office for more information. torchbearersjapan@live.com

Departure Day:

Friday July 19th, 2019