

International Bilingual School at Central Taiwan Science Park (IBSC) Gymnazium Jiriho z Podebrad (GJP) Homestay Program 2024

1. Objectives

In order to facilitate a reciprocal learning and cultural exchange for NEHS & IBSC students with students from Gymnazium Jiriho z Podebrad (GJP), while also fostering international friendships and partnerships.

2. Description

(1) Time and Description

Date	Description		
2/18 (Mon)	Announcement		
2/23 (Fri)	Deadline to turn in registration form and google form		
2/26 (Mon)	Announcement of Selection Results		
To be decided	Homestay Family Orientation/Information Session		
4/21-4/25	Homestay GJP School Students		

(2) Registration Qualifications and Requirements

a.Homestay family applications are open to students enrolled in IBSC from grades 7 to 12, as well as those in general departments from grades 10 to 12. We have the capacity to accommodate 10 students (comprising 6 females and 4 males), with an additional two on a waiting list.

b.Candidates are expected to demonstrate a positive mindset and show eagerness for learning while actively engaging with a new culture.

c. Homestay families are responsible for providing a dedicated bedroom or an individual bed for the visiting student, as well as furnishing bedding, clothing space, linens, meals during their stay, transportation arrangements, and planning weekend activities. For a comprehensive understanding of guidelines and responsibilities, please refer to Attachment 2.

d. Interested homestay families are required to attend information sessions scheduled.

3. Selection Priority Order:

(1)Senior grade levels

(2) Families offering a private room

(3)Random selection through drawing lots

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4. Application Process and Dates:

(1)Complete the registration form (see Attachment 1), signed by the parents, and submitted by the student themselves to Ellie before 2/23(Friday).

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[Attachment 1]

Exchange program 2024 Registration Form

Grade		English Name			
Gender	□ Male □ Female	How many students are you able to accommodate	□1 student □2 students		
Address					
Student's phone number	(H) (M)	Student's Email			
Parent's name		Relation			
Parent's phone number	(H) (M)	Parent's Email			
Do you have any special dietary habits	 □ No □ Yes. Briefly describe 	Do you have any pets?	□ No □ Yes		
Please read the following instructions carefully and sign to confirm your registration for this activity.					

I hereby agree that myself/my child participate in this homestay program, adhere to the safety instructions of the teachers during the trip, and will act as a homestay family for Gymnazium Jiriho z Podebrad (GJP) from the Czech Republic during their visit in Taiwan (according to the actual visiting dates), providing accommodation and hospitality.

Student signature		Parent signature	
Date	2024 year	month day	





[Attachment 2]

Homestay Family Handbook

(1) Guidelines and Responsibilities During Reception

The impressions and perspectives formed by international students will shape their view of the country, presenting an opportunity for us to enrich their experience of Taiwanese culture.

(2) Living Arrangements

Homestay families are expected to furnish individual rooms or beds for international students, providing essential amenities such as bedding, closet space, and drawers. Maintaining cleanliness in the living environment is crucial. Homestay families are encouraged to offer a washing machine for the students' convenience and should respect their privacy by knocking before entering rooms. Both host families and students should secure valuable items to prevent loss or misunderstandings.

(3) Dietary Preferences

Concerns about the eating habits of international students need not prompt special alterations to the food provided. Homestay families should, however, inform students about typical drinking and eating practices in Taiwan.

(4) Transportation Guidelines

Underage international students should not be permitted to operate cars, motorcycles, or other vehicles, regardless of possessing an international driver's license. This prohibition aligns with Taiwan laws, ensuring the safety of students under 18 years old.

(5) Health Monitoring

Homestay families are entrusted with monitoring the physical and psychological well-being of international students, offering timely assistance as needed. In the case of non-life-threatening illnesses, the homestay family should inform the host school, initiating a discussion with the international student's lead teacher to determine if medical attention is necessary.

(6) Emergency Procedures

In the event of an emergency, the homestay family is responsible for taking the student to a medical professional and promptly informing the host school of any subsequent actions.





Reception Preparation checklist

(1)Advance preparation

- Personal and family information of international students (Name, diet, health status, interests, foreign contacts)
- Contact card (name of homestay parent, contact phone number, address)
- Get to know the homestay family (family members' name, address, brief introduction, family members' interests and hobbies, habits)

(2)Living environment

- Room (bedding, linens, storage space for clothes)
- Bathroom use (students will bring toothpaste, shower gel, and shampoo)
- Laundry (where to put dirty clothes, how to use the washing machine, where to dry clothes)
- Internet usage rules
- Home etiquette/rules (asking questions before using household items)

(3)Dietary habits

• Meals (use of kitchen equipment, food waste, recycling and garbage disposal methods)

