



## Millennium High School

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Colin McEvoy, Principal

October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Dear Students, Parents and Guardians:

The Foreign Exchange Club is extremely proud to announce that we are planning another amazing trip for our 2018-2019 school year. Since 2005 we have run successful programs to Costa Rica, Ecuador, Chile, Peru, China, Spain, Greece, Italy and New Orleans involving over 400 Millennium High School students. Although we are still working to solidify details, the trip offered will be the following:

A trip to **China** over the **Spring Recess** (in April), that includes community service working with Hu County Elementary School. Students will be helping to collect, and then distribute picture books, stationery and toys to a village school in Shanxi County, China. Also, Millennium students will interact and participate on education projects with the school community. Besides, students will visit Shanghai, Beijing and Xi'an.

The trip is coordinated through Millennium High School's Foreign Exchange program, and will be limited to 15-20 Millennium High School students. Since space is limited, students must apply to the program. The program is open to all students in all grades. The approximate cost of the trip is around **2,800-3,000 dollars**. This is an **estimated price** and can variate depending on visa fees and changes on the itinerary.

We will fundraise as a group in order to provide need-based scholarships. The trip cost includes round-trip airfare, transportation once in country, housing, food, all administrative costs, trip supervision and health insurance coverage.

**Note:** students who are applying to travel should be in good health, as moderate physical activity is part of the trip itinerary.

Participants are expected to fully participate in ALL Foreign Exchange Club activities associated with the trip, including group fundraising, planning, pre and post departure activities, all after school meetings, school dance preparation community service, journal writing, and a presentation to Millennium students after returning to school. Additionally, parents/guardians whose students are enrolled in the programming must commit to participating in at least one fundraising activity.

### **Deadlines:**

**Student Application and Essay:** October 24, 2018.

**Advisor application** October 24, 2018.

**Scholarship assistance:** October 24, 2018

Please place all documents in **Ms. Chau's** mailbox in the main office.

**Group interview Sign ups:** Sign-ups will be posted outside room 1105 from October 13<sup>th</sup> – October 24<sup>th</sup>

**Group Interview dates:** Choose one: November 1<sup>st</sup> (Thursday) @ 3:15pm and November 2<sup>nd</sup> (Friday) @ 2:45pm. Room: 1105

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at [forexmillennium@gmail.com](mailto:forexmillennium@gmail.com).

Sincerely,

Ammy Chau and Raquel Mazo



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## 2018-2019 Foreign Exchange Program Application (2 pages)

NAME (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_

Male BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ ADVISOR \_\_\_\_\_

Female AGE \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU APPLIED TO FOREIGN EXCHANGE IN THE PAST?

- NO  
 YES/ Did not travel  
 YES/ Traveled (trip and date) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a valid United States passport?

- YES If yes, please attach a copy.  
 NO If no, attach a copy of your green card or residence visa.

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ APT.# \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ (print)

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ (print)

ADDRESS (If different from applicant's) \_\_\_\_\_ APT.# \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

If parents are separated, who has legal custody? \_\_\_\_\_

I am aware that my child is applying for the 2018-2019 Foreign Exchange program.

Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_





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### SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE

Participants will work both on their own and as a group to fundraise for the cost of the program. It is the intent of Millennium High School to assist persons who might be excluded from this opportunity due to financial limitations. Scholarship assistance may be available to ensure that everyone is able to participate if selected.

To be considered for scholarship assistance, you must complete the information below and attach supporting financial documentation. Without supporting documentation, your application for financial aid cannot be considered. Documentation can include one of the following:

- ◆ W-2 Form
- ◆ 1040 Income Tax Return Form
- ◆ Last 4 pay stubs (within the past two months) for each working parent/guardian
- ◆ Proof of benefits (if receiving any type of public assistance)

Please Note: Your financial information is confidential and will not be shared with any outside sources.

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TOTAL ANNUAL FAMILY INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of employed adults in household \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependent children in household \_\_\_\_\_

List other potential sources of assistance/support \_\_\_\_\_

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**WHY DO YOU NEED THIS SCHOLARSHIP? PLEASE LIST ANY EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO US IN DETERMINING YOUR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD.**

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### Foreign Exchange Advisor Recommendation Form

**Directions to the Student:** Give this form to your advisor to complete. Make sure that you give your advisor sufficient time to complete the form before the deadline.

**Directions to the Advisor:** Please complete this form and put it in Ms. Chau's mailbox **NO LATER THAN October 24<sup>th</sup>**. The information you provide will help the Foreign Exchange committee make an informed decision about your advisee's readiness to travel abroad.

Name of Advisee applying to Foreign Exchange: \_\_\_\_\_

	Yes	No	Comment (optional)
To the best of your knowledge, does the student come to school on time?			
Does the student arrive on time to Advisory?			
Does the student participate regularly and productively during discussions?			
Does the student write reflectively in his/her Advisory journal?			
To the best of your knowledge, does the student function well in large-group interactions?			
To the best of your knowledge, does the student exhibit sound decision making, even in potentially high-risk situations?			
To the best of your knowledge will the student be able to manage balancing academic responsibilities with the time commitment of foreign exchange?			
To the best of your knowledge will the student be able to handle stressful situations?			
Do you have any concerns about the student traveling? (If yes, please indicate why.)			

Additional comments about the student's readiness for foreign exchange:

Advisor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_