

# **Guidelines for the 2024 Overseas Compatriot Youth Taiwan Technical and Vocational Education Experience Program**

1. Objective of the Program: Allow participants to learn about the R.O.C.(Taiwan ) and its excellent higher education and vocational environment, as well as promote international youth exchange. The program will last over a 14-day period.
2. Eligibility:
  - (1) The applicants must be overseas compatriot youth between the ages of 16 and 20 (as shown in passport) who are in good health and academic standing, of good character, currently live overseas, able to adapt to group living and hold an i-Compatriot Card; have strong learning desire and are able to obey group regulations and discipline and complete this program in full.
  - (2) Expenses:
    - a. **NT\$12,000** is required for each participant, to be paid to the implementing unit on registration. There will be no reimbursement of registration fee if participants leave during the Program.
    - b. Participants are responsible for their own round-trip airfares to and from Taipei, visa fee, spending money travel insurance premium in own country and medical expenses. The OCAC will cover the costs of accommodation, meals, and transportation in Taiwan.
  - (3) Each applicant must be free of diseases or serious conditions (such heart problems, cardio-vascular illness, diabetes, mental illness, epilepsy, infectious disease, pregnancy etc.) that may affect participation in order to participate in the Program. Otherwise, participants will be solely responsible for any incident that occurs as a result and the OCAC and undertaking unit will bear no liability.
  - (4) Students who already have approval to study in Taiwan will not be allowed to attend this Program. Applicants who do not receive approval from the OCAC should not attempt to take part in Program activities.
  - (5) Applicants who have criminal records, a drug abuse problem or are of bad character are not allowed to register.
  - (6) The Program offers equal opportunity to applicants. However, applicants who have never been to Taiwan will have priority. In principle, only one member of the same family can take part at one time; siblings will be put on the waiting list, however, this rule does not apply to twins.
  - (7) Participants should buy personal medical insurance before leaving for Taiwan. If participants are sick and require treatment during the Study Program, they will have to pay their own medical and return expenses. In such a situation, parents should make no demands of the OCAC or undertaking unit.
3. Rules for participants:
  - (1) Program organizing and implementing units and are not responsible for any accidents during the period of program except those occurring as a result of their willful negligence.
  - (2) Participants will be responsible for any accident caused by failure to follow guidance or regulations. The organizing and implementing units will not be liable to pay compensation for any incidents except in the case of their gross negligence. If any dispute occurs, the laws of Taiwan will prevail.
  - (3) Participants must follow the regulations of ROC Customs and complete customs clearance formalities; contraband articles and endangered species products are prohibited.
  - (4) Please dress appropriately and avoid excessive exposure so as to maintain decorum.
  - (5) All participants must arrive and depart according to the program schedule. If they arrive early or leave late, program participants will be responsible for all expenses. After the study program ends, participants must return to their resident countries within their scheduled visa stay period and must not stay in Taiwan as an overseas compatriot student or overseas student or for any other reason.
  - (6) Any infractions of Taiwan's laws or cause attributable to a participant resulting in detention by an R.O.C. government agency will be that individual's own responsibility. The program organizing and implementing units will not be responsible. The program organizing and implementing units may also request compensation for all losses caused.
  - (7) All participants must attend the whole program according to the program schedule. For early departure from the Program due to certain special situations, a participant's parents must apply (with explanation of reason) to the OCAC in writing through an ROC overseas representative office or culture center; the participant should only leave after receiving approval from the OCAC and the undertaking unit has completed departure formalities. The participant and parents will be responsible for his/her behavior after leaving the program.
  - (8) All applicants must follow the group regulations and guidance. For serious infractions found to be true through

investigation by the OCAC, the applicant involved will be expelled from the Study Program, objection from applicants and parents will not be accepted, and no refund will be given.