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Taiwan Visiting Mandarin Teacher Program

I. Background Information

Taiwan has been at the forefront of Chinese language education. Its rigorous Chinese language teacher training programs are recognized world-wide to produce teachers of unsurpassed skill. Because Taiwan is a democratic country with an education system that is very similar to that of the U.S., its language teachers are well suited to the American classroom.

Taiwan invites you to participate in an exciting international exchange: The Taiwan Visiting Mandarin Teacher Program.

Through this program, school districts are able to recruit Mandarin teachers from Taiwan to teach at the elementary, middle, high-school levels and universities. A native speaker brings an authenticity and international perspective to the classroom – from which students, parents and educators can all benefit. At a time of growing interest in Chinese language, this is an important opportunity to fill the need for high-qualified Chinese language teachers in schools, or even establish an enriching educational exchange with a school in Taiwan.

II. The MOE in Taiwan's offer:

- (1) Monthly stipend USD1200/per month during the school year.
- (2) A one-time roundtrip air flight subsidy from Taiwan to the USA up to USD1,530.
- (3) A one-time Mandarin material fee USA300.

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- (4) An extension year's stipend will be offered upon a contract renewal of one extension year if all parties agree.

III. Hosting School's offer:

- (1) Hosting schools will place their visiting teachers under contract in guaranteed, full-time positions and pay them the same salary that they would pay any other teacher, commensurate with their educational levels and previous years of service.
- (2) An initial one-year contract can be followed by contract renewals of one extension year if all parties agree.



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- (3) Visiting teachers should receive the same amount of sick/personal leave as other teachers in the district.
 - (4) School & VT share the visa processing fees 50/50.

IV. Maximum length of the program:

- (1) The initial contract is for one year.
- (2) A second year can be extended for one year upon mutual agreement.

V. Visiting Teacher Qualifications (minimum):

- (1) Certified to teach in Taiwan
- (2) Bachelor's degree or higher in education
- (3) 3+ years of experience teaching

VI. Sister school and virtual exchange Opportunities:

- (1) School-to-school partnerships are encouraged and in-person exchanges are an optional component of those relationships.
- (2) Language partnerships are encouraged under this program.

VII. Application time:

- (1) School to Education Division, TECO in Chicago: Before March 31, 2021
- (2) Teachers to this program's position: After school's hiring letter and before the end of May 2021.

VIII. Contact information:

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