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LANGUAGES CANADA MEMBERS GRANT 150 SCHOLARSHIPS TO JAPANESE YOUTH AFFECTED BY EARTHQUAKE

Ottawa - Languages Canada members are awarding over \$430,000 in scholarships to support Japanese youth who were affected by the Tohoku earthquake in March, 2011. So far, 30 accredited language schools have offered 150 scholarships to Japanese students over the next year.

The “Hope for Youth - Study in Canada Project” is a joint program between the Embassy of Canada, Languages Canada and Samantha Thavasa Japan Ltd. The scholarships will cover course tuition and, in most cases, accommodations. Insurance for all the participants will be provided free of charge by Guard.me Health Insurance, an associate member of Languages Canada.

“Canada and Japan have a long-standing relationship in education, and our members experience every day through their interaction with Japanese students the friendship that our countries have forged,” explains Gonzalo Peralta, Executive Director at Languages Canada. “This initiative, proposed by our members, is the best way to let Japanese students know we are here for them.”

Round-trip tickets will be offered free of charge by Air Canada and Samantha Thavasa Japan Ltd for departure dates starting October 10, 2011. The list of participating institutions will be posted on the Embassy of Canada website.

Applicants must be Japanese citizens between the ages of 15 and 30 who were affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake. This includes students who lost family, homes and jobs, or were evacuated due to the nuclear accident in Fukushima.

The following Languages Canada Members have graciously offered scholarships for the Hope for Youth – Study in Canada Project:

Canadian College of English Language
CLLC Canadian Language Learning College
Columbia College
East Coast School of Languages
Eurocentres Canada
Global Village English Centre – Calgary
Global Village English Centre – Vancouver
Global Village English Centre Victoria



ILAC (International Language Academy of Canada)
ILSC (International Language Schools of Canada)
Interlangues Language School
Lethbridge College
LSC Language Studies Canada
Maple Leaf Academy
North Island College
Pan Pacific College
PLI Pacific Language Institute
Quest Language Studies
Saint John College, University of New Brunswick, Saint John
Saint Mary's University - TESL Centre
St Giles International
Stewart College of Languages
Study Abroad Canada
Tamwood International College
University of Alberta English Language Program
Guard.me (Health Insurance for all participants)

For more information about the scholarship program, please visit www.japan.gc.ca

To apply for a scholarship, please contact tokyo.education@international.gc.ca

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