

Student Application

La Pietra – Hawai'i School for Girls is committed to making your exchange experience as meaningful and rewarding as possible. To be considered for this opportunity, please complete the following application. Parental support is an important part of the process, so we ask that your parent or guardian complete their section as requested.

This application, along with your academic record, will be used to help select the most suitable students and host families.

Please type your responses as directed. If you have any questions or technical issues, contact Ms. Alison Beste, Director of Curricular Innovation. Once complete, print your application and submit it to her. The final page must be signed by both you and your parent or guardian.

2025 – 2026 GLOBAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS Please select the trip you are applying for:

Crofton House in Vancouver, Canada
October 18 – November 1, 2025: Crofton House attends La Pietra
April 11 – 25, 2026: La Pietra attends Crofton House

Hakuho Girls' High School in Yokohama, Japan
September 6 – September 20, 2025: Hakuho at La Pietra
September 24 – October 8, 2025: La Pietra attends Hakuho
(*Wednesday travel dates to accommodate Hakuho cultural festival on weekend of Sept 27-28)



STUDENT INFORMATION

Last name:

First name:

DATE OF BIRTH/AGE/MEDICAL

Date of Birth, Current Age

Current Medical Information - please list any allergies, medication, etc

Dietary Restrictions (if any)

PLACE OF BIRTH/PASSPORT INFORMATION

City of Birth:	Country:
Citizenship/Nationality:	Country of Permanent Residence:
Passport Country of Origin ಲೆ Passport Number	Passport Expiration Date (*must be valid for 1 year from application
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ADDRESS

Street:
City:
Zip Code:
Telephone:
Student School Email Address:



EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name:	Relationship:	Tel:

FAMILY INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian 1 Name				
First:	Last:			
Address:				
Email Address:				
Occupation:	Contact Telephone daytime/evening:			

FAMILY INFORMATION (CONT.)

Parent/Guardian 2 Name			
First:	Last:		
Address:			
Email Address:			
Occupation:	Contact Telephone daytime/evening:		
Name(s) of sibling(s) and age(s) if applicable:			
Pets at home:			
Animal allergies or restrictions (please specify):			



APPLICANT QUESTIONNAIRE

- 1. Why do you want to participate in the Global Exchange Program? What motivates you to be a part of this experience?
- 2. How would you contribute to your host school environment? Share how you engage with others and bring positive energy to a new community
- 3. Describe a time you showed respect for differences or worked to understand another perspective.
- 4. What are your interests, hobbies, or passions outside of academics? Please include sports, music, clubs, community service, etc.
- 5. What do you hope to learn about yourself and others through this exchange?
- 6. Describe any past travel experiences, especially outside of Hawai'i. Have you spent time away from home before? If so, what was that experience like for you?



- 7. What do you think will be the biggest challenge in adjusting to a new school and host family? How will you prepare for this experience?
- 8. What do you think might be most challenging for a visiting student coming to Hawaiʻi? How would you help them adjust?
- 9. Living situation: Would you mind sharing a bedroom with your exchange student or is it important for you to have your own room?
- 10. What do you most love about La Pietra, and what would you be most excited to share with an exchange student?



PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE - to be completed by parent/guardian

- 1. Why would you like your daughter to participate in the Global Exchange Program?
- 2. What strengths or qualities does your daughter have that make her an ideal candidate for an exchange, especially given the unpredictable nature of such a program and time away from home?
- 3. Do you anticipate any challenges your daughter may face while hosting a student or while living abroad? Please share openly.
- 4. As a host family, how would you plan to include the visiting student in your daily life? What types of evening or weekend activities might you do together?
- 5. What living arrangements can you provide for a visiting student? Is your daughter used to having her own room? Do you foresee any concerns with sharing a room?
- 6. Describe your house and neighborhood and its proximity to our school? How will your daughter and her exchange student get to school and back each day?

GLOBAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM

EXCHANGE PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CHANGE/CANCELLATION

La Pietra has built strong relationships with our partner exchange schools with the intention of sustaining meaningful and reliable connections over time. However, there may be circumstances that require an exchange to be altered or canceled. These may include, but are not limited to, changes in the exchange program structure, a partner school withdrawing from the program, an insufficient number of participating students, a host family being unable to continue, or travel restrictions imposed by government authorities.

These situations are outside of La Pietra's control. In the event that such circumstances arise, every effort will be made to offer alternative arrangements where possible.

AGREEMENT

I agree to my daughter's participation in La Pietra's 2024–2025 Global Exchange Program and plan to assist her as needed throughout the experience. I understand that the exchange includes both a visit abroad and hosting a student from a partner school.

Participation in the program is subject to a selection process and depends on a suitable match with a student from the partner school.

As this is a reciprocal program, families of participating students must be willing to host an exchange student. All household members aged 18 and over are required to complete a background check; this form will be provided by the school.

I also understand that families must be in good financial standing and prepared to cover the costs associated with participation, including travel, insurance, and hosting responsibilities.



AGREEMENT (CONT.)

Student Name	Student Signature	Date
Parent/Guardian 1 Name	Parent/Guardian 1 Signature	Date
 Parent/Guardian 2 Name	Parent/Guardian 2 Signature	Date