

2024 – Toho Marching Band

Home-Stay Program

Host an exchange student from the Toho Marching Band



Approximately 140 students from Nagoya, Japan will be coming to perform in Pasadena at Bandfest on December 30 and the Rose Parade on January 1. These students will practice at the Anaheim Angels Stadium parking lot on December 26-29, and perform at Disneyland on December 29. We are looking for families to invite two or more students into their homes to

experience American life. You will be paid \$25 per student per night to compensate for expenses you may incur. The host family experience is one of the highlights of the students' time in Southern California, and families who have participated report the same thing. We hope you will consider joining us for a special time.

Tentative Schedule

December 30



Meet at La Quinta Inn & Suites in La Palma to greet and take students home.

December 31



Drop off students at La Quinta Inn & Suites in La Palma by 7:00 PM.

January 1



Pick up students at La Quinta Inn & Suites after the Rose Parade. Students stay with families overnight

January 2



Drop off students at Kennedy High School, 8281 Walker St., La Palma mid-morning time TBD.
Concert: Doors open 2:30 PM
Concert begins 3:00

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The schedule is tentative and subject to change.

More details will be provided at a ZOOM orientation meeting to be scheduled in October.

Green Band Festival

The Green Band Association has been sponsoring bands from Japan to perform in international venues since 2006, including the Rose Parade in 12 of the past 15 years. Each time a band comes to perform, they also arrange for a concert to be held at a local performance arts center, and invite attendees to donate to a worthy charitable cause. Over the years, they have donated thousands of dollars to recipients including victims of wildfires, tornadoes,

hurricanes, and other natural disasters. This Green Band Festival has enjoyed a relationship with John F. Kennedy High School in La Palma, where the concert will be held this year on January 2. It is a vital part of the students' experience, and an unforgettable performance.

If you would be interested in hosting students, please complete the form on the reverse side and return it to Henri Soucy at henrisoucy@gmail.com