



PSE Overview for Partner Schools

Established in 2006, PSE - Private & Public School F-1 Exchange is committed to promoting international understanding and goodwill through cultural exchange. PSE adheres to the highest quality standards in the F-1 exchange industry. Since 2014, PSE has been a FULLY LISTED member of The Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET), a non-profit organization committed to quality international educational travel. The FULL listing is achieved by extensive audit of its management and proof that top standards are adhered to for the safety and well-being of students. Some of the highlights of our program are highlighted as per below:

Student Selection/Preparation

PSE students are recruited through our network of overseas partners. The careful selection process includes:

- A confidential personal interview
- English language proficiency test
- Health examination
- Review of the student application including transcripts and letters of recommendation

Students receive an introduction to the program as well as a thorough orientation before departure from their home country and again upon arrival to their host community.

Host Family Selection and Local Support

PSE ensures that every student, host family and school is assigned a Local Coordinator (LC) that resides in the community. PSE LC's recruit, screen, and provide orientation and on-going support to host families throughout the program. They also provide on-going support to students and schools, including the completion of detailed monthly progress reports. These monthly reports are shared with PSE, the sending agency and natural families.

Benefits of Partnering with PSE:

- Promotion of your school to our overseas partner agencies and their applicants
- Pre-screening of students applying to your school to ensure they meet admissions standards
- Assistance throughout the admissions process to obtain information, schedule Skype interviews, etc.
- Hands-on monitoring and responsiveness from a trained Local Coordinator residing in your community, as well as from the national office
- Monitoring of students' progress during the school year, and attention to issues as they arise
- In the event that tutoring is needed, PSE will help make arrangements and ensure students accept financial responsibility

PSE Expectations of Partner Schools:

- Academic support of students and inclusion of them in school events/activities
- Communication with LC and national office regarding any issues or concerns that arise
- Enforcement of PSE policy regarding all communication with natural parents going through PSE
- Agreement to enroll returning PSE students only through PSE (and not off agency)

PSE's goal is to provide all program participants - students, natural families, host families, teachers and schools - with opportunities for enhanced personal growth and the establishment of lifelong friendships. Thank you for partnering with PSE to make this a possibility.