



**Momenta Kids**

# 2024 SUMMER CAMP

**SASEBO-YOKOHAMA-OSAKA**



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**English Camp Guide Book**

**[www.sasebosummmercamp.com](http://www.sasebosummmercamp.com)**

# Message from CEO



Hello!

I am Philip Jacobson, owner and CEO of Momenta kids.

I am an Australian father of three who has loved Japan since arriving here 25 years ago.

As an educator in Japan I discovered the power of immersive learning 15 years ago. I truly believe that “experience is everything” and that children learn best through doing rather than in with textbooks.

It became my goal to create an authentic camp environment that could not only foster hands on learning but also an understanding of both Japanese and western cultures.

Our Summer Camp is an ideal way for youth to learn not only about other people but also about themselves

At camp, it is the responsibility of each child to take care of their own belongings, clean their rooms and also help out with the upkeep of the camp grounds. In this way summer camp can help to foster leadership skills, a sense of responsibility and self-reliance.

Other practical skills including presentations, team work and learning languages can also be developed at this camp.

Momenta Kids has provided camps for 1000's of children over the course of 15 years in operation. Fun filled, safe and totally worthwhile! I hope to see you there.

Phillip Jacobson

# WHAT PARENTS ARE SAYING.

Last year, my first and third graders participated in the camp. They had little experience speaking English, but after learning the basics from Mr. Philip, they gradually started to understand words. Although they still make mistakes, they have begun to speak simple English little by little since the camp ended.

Now, they surprise me by knowing words I never expected them to know! They gained confidence and developed a love for foreign culture. I am very grateful for the opportunity to have them participate. Thank you very much.

福岡県在住 保護者



It was their first time being away from the family, so they did feel a bit homesick. However, the warm support from all the teachers made a big difference, and I am truly grateful for that. The experience also boosted their confidence in English; they now enjoy teaching English to their younger sister and willingly attend their English classes without any reluctance.

長崎県にお住まいの保護者

My child told me that when they just tried putting words together and speaking, they were surprised to find that they could actually communicate in English! I'm happy to see that their fear of making mistakes and feeling embarrassed is gradually diminishing. They also seem to be participating more actively in their online classes, which I believe is thanks to the camp.

We are looking forward to the next camp!

大阪府にお住まいの保護者

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To...

Subject...

Despite having trouble waking up in the mornings before, they started getting up early and sitting down to study on their own. I've seen a lot of growth since the camp. I'm truly happy that they had this opportunity. They have said they want to go again, so we look forward to future camps. Thank you so much. I believe this has been an essential experience for their growth!

東京都にお住まいの保護者

SEND





Day 1

Day 2

Day 3

Day 4

Day 5

6:00

WAKE UP

WAKE UP

WAKE UP

WAKE UP

7:00

BREAKFAST

BREAKFAST

BREAKFAST

BREAKFAST

8:00

EXERCISE

EXERCISE

EXERCISE

EXERCISE

9:00

BUS LEAVES

CULTURAL EXCHANGE CLASS

CULTURAL EXCHANGE CLASS

CULTURAL EXCHANGE CLASS

CULTURAL EXCHANGE CLASS

10:00

Activity A

Activity A

Activity A

Activity A

Water Fight

Science

Nature Games

Craft

11:00

ARRIVAL ORIENTATION

12:00

LUNCH

LUNCH

LUNCH

LUNCH

LUNCH

13:00

Activity B

Activity B

Activity B

Activity B

Camp Quiz

14:00

ICE BREAKERS

DIY STEAM

Foreign Sports

Treasure Hunt

PHOTOS AND CLOSING CEREMONY

15:00

BUS LEAVES

16:00

部屋分け・グループ分け

プレゼン練習又はミッションカード学習タイム

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FREE TIME

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17:00

ARRIVE AT STATION

Dinner

BBQ

Dinner

Dinner

18:00

Activity C

Activity C

Activity C

Activity C

19:00

Camp Fire

Minute To Win it

Drama Night

Courage Test

20:00

BATH

BATH

BATH

BATH

Day in Review • Story Time

Day in Review • Story Time

Day in Review • Story Time

Day in Review • Story Time

22:00

Lights Out

Lights Out

Lights Out

Lights Out

Please be aware that this is a generic schedule and actual activities may vary depending on the camp you attend.





# SCHEDULE

## EXAMPLE

### DAY 1

1日目

Orientation: Participants will be divided into groups, given explanations of important rules, and introduced to the campground regulations. We will also tour the rooms and facilities where we will be staying.

After the orientation, we will play ice-breaker games designed to help everyone get to know each other through fun activities. These specially crafted games are great for breaking the ice and quickly making new friends. The power of ice-breaker games lies in how swiftly they can make everyone feel comfortable and connected!



You might be too excited to sleep on the first night! But remember, we have an early start tomorrow at 6:30 AM, so try to get to bed early!

**ACTIVITY B**

ICE-BREAKERゲーム

**ACTIVITY C**

CAMP FIRE

### DAY 2

2日目

#### Cultural Exchange Class

Learn some new words and phrases and share some insight into your own culture with the group!

#### Water Fight

Our water fight is one of the most popular activities at camp.

Have a team battle using water balloons and water guns! It's even okay to aim at the teachers!

#### STEAM Activities:

Get ready for experiments, DIY projects, engineering, art, and more in our STEAM activities. Your critical thinking skills will be put to the test!

#### Minute To Win It Challenges

Challenge yourself to complete tasks within one minute! Inspired by the "Minute To Win It" game show we'll have various challenges with a 60-second countdown. And at the end, try creating your own original one-minute challenge!

#### Story Time

After bath time, we'll have the always popular "Story Time" for the children!



"Good morning, everyone! I hope you are ready to get wet! Today we have our water fight activity!"

**ACTIVITY A**

Water Fight

**ACTIVITY B**

DIY • STEAM

**ACTIVITY C**

Minute to Win it



# SCHEDULE

## EXAMPLE

### DAY 3

3日目

#### Science Experiments after Cultural Exchange Class

Today, after the communication class, we'll be conducting science experiments!  
By now, you should have completed more than half of the mission cards for DAY 3! Let's aim to clear them all!

#### Unique Sports and Games:

Today, we'll try some unusual sports and games! Experience sports you're not familiar with!  
Listen carefully to the explanation so you know exactly how to play.

#### Free Time Activities

During free time, you can choose from bug hunting, board games, or card games in your rooms!  
Discuss with your group leader teacher and decide!

#### Drama Night

Tonight, it's Drama Night! In addition to presentations by teachers, each group will have mini-presentations! Do your best!



"If you just try putting words together, English is surprisingly easy, isn't it?"

**ACTIVITY A**  
Science  
**ACTIVITY B**  
Foreign Sports  
**ACTIVITY C**  
Drama Night

### DAY 4

4日目

#### Nature Appreciation

There will be activities to foster an interest in nature.  
Following that, we have the immensely popular Momenta Kids Treasure Hunt.

Let's find treasures while reading English clues! Watch out for the pirate leaders!  
**After the treasure hunt, there will be a slightly longer than usual period of Free Time**

Let's discuss with our group leaders about completing mission cards or places we want to visit again or games we want to try!

#### At night, it's the Courage Test

It's a Momenta Kids-style courage test.  
For those who don't wish to participate, we have a board game room available for alternative activities. Giving up during the courage test is also okay!  
There are levels ranging from 1 to 10. Can you make it to the end????



"Tomorrow is the FINAL DAY!  
Let's organize our belongings tonight in preparation for the last day!"

**ACTIVITY A**  
Nature Games  
**ACTIVITY B**  
Treasure Hunt  
**ACTIVITY C**  
Courage Test



# SCHEDULE

# EXAMPLE

## DAY 5

5日目

### Today is the final day

Let's clean our rooms and organize our belongings.

-In the morning, after an extended Cultural Exchange Class, we'll engage in some craft activities.

We'll reflect on the camp experience and share what we've learned together.

Depending on the camp course, there may be a children's presentation time as well.

The final activity of the camp is the CAMP QUIZ.

It's a quiz show conducted in teams.

After the closing ceremony, we'll board the bus to head home! \*\*

Let's take a group photo before we say, "LET'S GO HOME!"



Let's double-check to make sure we haven't forgotten anything!

See you next time!

**ACTIVITY A**  
Craft

**ACTIVITY B**  
Camp Quiz

## Please Note

The above schedule is just an example and may differ from the actual camp activities. Changes may also occur due to weather conditions.

Thank you for your understanding in advance.

## Regarding Safety

Momenta Kids camps include numerous indoor and outdoor activities that engage both the body and mind. From ensuring insurance coverage for all participants to managing children's health and providing emotional support, our staff is committed to maintaining a safe environment for all campers. We also have measures in place to prevent heatstroke. Furthermore, if your child has allergies or is taking medication, please inform us in advance so that our staff can accommodate their needs.





## Program Goals

The Bilingual Course is an English only Cultural immersion camp. This camp is a more generic Summer Camp held at a camp ground. Children sleep in bunk beds segregated into groups of 4-8. Each day there are scheduled activities such as crafts, games, sports, treasure hunt, camp fire and so forth.

Apart from pizza making or a BBQ all meals are provided by the camp cafeteria. Japanese campers come to this camp for the opportunity to put into practice the English they learn in classrooms. This camp is held in its entirety at a camp facility.

A certain level of English proficiency is required for Japanese children to be accepted into this camp so most Japanese children shouldn't have a problem with conversing in English. Children of ages 6-12 are able to join.



## Program Goals

The Summit Course is a specialized program designed for advanced learners and future youth leaders.

While there are still many fun activities included in the camp, there are more academic elements involved such as discussions and some basic worksheets. This course includes multiple field trips and mini events such as visiting places of historical significance, participating in workshops and experiencing Japanese culture first hand.

This course is usually suited to upper grade elementary school students or even junior high school students who have an interest in improving communication skills, interpersonal skills and learning about Japanese culture.

Depending on the camp, the accommodation will be either entirely or at least in part in a hotel. Visits to theme parks, hotel accommodation, special meals and authentic cultural experiences are all part of the Summit Course. In essence, this is less a traditional summer camp and more of a cultural tour experience.

For the SUMMIT COURSE, we conduct interviews to:

1. Confirm a certain level of proficiency in listening and speaking English.
2. Confirm the maturity of the participant and their willingness to be a team leader.

This program is designed for children who meet these criteria and aim to further enhance their communication and leadership skills.





**BILINGUAL  
COURSE**

**DETAILS**

**1 teacher per 6 children**

Transport not included

Basic Camp Accommodation

Camp Meals

1 BBQ or Pizza Meal

CULTURAL EXCHANGE CLASSES

CAMP FIRE

TREASURE HUNT

Arts and Crafts

Courage Test \*not compulsory

Other seasonal activities

Mission Cards

Home Study Pack

**English Only Program**

**Foreign Child  
Participation**

**FUN FILLED  
SUMMER  
CAMP**



**SUMMIT  
COURSE**

**DETAILS**

1 teacher per 4 children

Transport included

**Hotel and Campground  
Accommodation**

**Camp and restaurant meals.**

BBQ or PIZZA MEAL

CULTURAL EXCHANGE CLASSES

CAMP FIRE

TREASURE HUNT

**ACADEMIC THEMES SUCH AS  
JAPANESE HISTORY/CULTURE/SDGs**

**Presentation Practice**

**Pre Study Requirement**

**Visit Local Attractions**

Home Study Pack

**English Only Program**

**Foreign Child  
Participation**

**Video and Photo available  
during camp.**

Insurance Covered

This camp has a selection process.

**FUTURE  
LEADER  
COURSE.**

**Choose  
your  
course!**



Momenta Kids  
「瞬間を捉える」その先へ

**2024**

**SUMMIT COURSE**

**和洋折衷**

**East Meets West**

# FUTURE LEADERS COURSE

## ULTIMATE JAPAN EXPERIENCE

- ★ LIMITED TO 25 PARTICIPANTS
- ★ 1 ENGLISH INSTRUCTOR PER 4 PARTICIPANTS
- ★ AMERICAN AND JAPANESE CHILDREN
- ★ PARTIAL HOTEL ACCOMMODATION
- ★ VISITS TO TOURIST ATTRACTIONS
- ★ PARTICIPATION IN SPECIAL EVENTS



**JOIN US FOR A TRULY UNIQUE CULTURAL EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE!**

**Kanagawa Prefecture, Yokohama**

**July 28th to August 1st**

**Kyushu, Nagasaki**

**August 4th to August 8th**



## FROM THE CEO'S DESK

Thank you for your interest in our Summit Course.

Summit means not only the top of the mountain but also a meeting of leaders. This course is designed for young children and parents who have a desire to cultivate greater inter-personal skills, communication skills and cultural awareness in their child.

Having lived in Japan for many years and raising three bilingual children myself, I have developed my own method for improving language and communication skills. Momenta Kids draws from over 15 years of experience offering programs that bring together children from differing cultures; fostering tolerance, understanding and appreciation for our differences and for what makes us different.

Our praxis based approach to learning means we will visit culturally significant places, speak with real people and participate in actual activities rather than merely reading, watching or talking about them. We hope you can join us for a transformative five day experience.

I look forward to meeting you!

Phillip Jacobson  
Momenta Kids CEO



## PARTICIPATION CRITERIA AND SCREENING PROCESS

FOR THIS EVENT, THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA ARE ESTABLISHED:

1. ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT LEARNING
2. WILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE WHOLEHEARTEDLY IN ALL ACTIVITIES.
3. INTEREST IN CULTURAL EXCHANGE.
4. MODERATE READING PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH

## SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES

The price for Japanese participants is **185 000 JPY**.

This includes all accommodation, food, transport, access to events, theme parks and cultural landmarks.

We are offering a special price of **450 USD** for a limited number for American military families under a scholarship agreement.





神奈川県・横浜

7月28日～8月1日

4泊5日

## DAY 1 Kamigo no mori

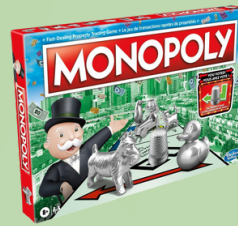


- Travel from Yokosuka Station to Kamigō no Mori by train or bus.
- Join with American participants.
- Review and prepare pre-study materials during study time.
- Discussion and study time. Camp Fire.



## DAY 2 FINANCIAL LITERATURE

- Course on learning foreign currencies: Differences between Pound, Dollar, Yen, and Euro.
- Study of real estate and money using Monopoly game.
- Practice presentations.



## DAY 3 Soujiji Temple

- Zazen meditation experience in English. Shojin Ryori (Buddhist vegetarian cuisine). [www.sojiji.jp/](http://www.sojiji.jp/)



## DAY 4 Yokohama Western Village

[www.hama-midorinokyokai.or.jp/yamate-seiyoukan/](http://www.hama-midorinokyokai.or.jp/yamate-seiyoukan/)

- Visit to Yamate Western-style Houses in Yokohama.
- British culture lecture.
- Tea tasting experience.
- British-style table manners class.



## DAY 5 横須賀米軍基地体験\*

- Exploring the US military base.
- Meals and shopping within the base using US dollars.
- Final presentations.



\*Please note that the detailed schedule and activity itinerary are not yet finalized. There may be some changes. The Sasebo Naval Base may be closed without prior notice by the US government. In such cases, alternative activities will be prepared. Thank you for your understanding.



九州・長崎

8月4日～8日  
4泊5日



## DAY 1 Sasebo Shizen no Tenchi Camp Grounds

- Meet at camp grounds.
- Camp Orientation.
- Preview of 5 day camp events.
- Discussions and ice-breaker games
- Camp Fire



## DAY 2 HUIS TEN BOSCH

- Visiting Huis Ten Bosch.
- Complete field work in HTB.
- Practice Presentations.
- Board Games at night.



## DAY 3 Hokkyuan Estate

- Visit famous home of HTB architect.
- Experience real Japanese tea ceremony.
- Japanese style BBQ • Fireworks
- Presentations and Discussions



## DAY 4 Ninja Village

- Visit Ninja Village and learn about historical Japan.
- Discussion about Japanese culture.
- Scavenger Hunt Game in Ninja Village.
- Bowling and Karaoke (optional)
- Garden Paradise Hotel



## DAY 5 佐世保米軍基地体験\*

- Welcome Japanese students to US navy base.
- American campers introduce US culture.
- Lunch at Navy Base.



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Make the most of your Summer Break!

# SUMMER CAMP

Loads of activities!  
Fun for all ages!



Ultimate Cultural Exchange  
Summer Camp in Japan!

**Kyushu • Yokohama • Osaka**



**15 years of running camps in  
Japan!**

# Dates and Prices

Course	Date	Region	Facility	Price (USD)	Availability
<b>Bilingual Course</b>	July 28th to 30th	Osaka	Osaka Youth House	250 USD	limited (please contact)
<b>Summit Course</b>	July 28th to August 1st	Yokohama	Kamigo no mori	300 Early Bird 450 Normal	<b>OPEN</b>
<b>Challenger Course</b>	July 30th to August 3rd	Okayama	Kurashiki Youth House	300USD	limited (please contact)
<b>Summit Course</b>	August 4th to 8th	Sasebo	Sasebo Tenchi and Paradise Garden Hotel	300 Early Bird 450 Normal	<b>OPEN</b>
<b>Bilingual Course</b>	August 4th to 8th	Sasebo	Sasebo Tenchi	250 Early Bird 300 Normal	<b>OPEN</b>
<b>Challenger Course</b>	August 4th to 8th	Kumamoto	Aso Youth Exchange House	250 Early Bird 300 Normal	limited (please contact)
<b>Bilingual Course</b>	August 9th to 13th	Kumamoto	Aso Youth Exchange House	250 Early Bird 300 Normal	limited (please contact)
<b>Bilingual Course</b>	August 9th to 13th	Osaka	Osaka Youth House	250 Early Bird 300 Normal	limited (please contact)
<b>Challenger Course</b>	August 19th to 23th	Nara	Soni Nature House	250 Early Bird 300 Normal	limited (please contact)

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