



### The Virtual Exchange Program with a Purpose!

We, at ARISE, understand that studying abroad can be costly, and to many, it might not even be feasible due to health-related issues, disability or other circumstances. Because of this, ARISE has designed a virtual exchange program where American teens and teens from other nations are paired up so that they can learn about each other's cultures while collaborating to create a project that has special meaning to them.

### ⇒ By joining ARISE's virtual program, participants will gain:

- Exposure to another culture.
- Awareness of issues that matter to others.
- Skills on how to be a problem-solver.
- The opportunity to use one's creativity.
- Knowledge of how to collaborate and be a team member.
- The opportunity to build a long-lasting friendship with an international teen.
- The opportunity to win a \$300.00 prize as a team.

### ⇒ Who qualifies to participate in the online program?

- Students ages 14 18 years old.
- Students who have a genuine desire to interact with others of another culture.
- Since the program will be presented in English, students having intermediate to advanced English language skills are preferred.
- Because the program will be conducted online, it is important for students to have access to reliable internet service.
- Students must be able to follow directions and follow through with commitments.
- ⇒ How much does it cost? One-time fee of US \$90.00 per student.
- ⇒ Are there scholarships available? Absolutely! Students may apply for a scholarship on our website.
- ⇒ For how long does the program last? 5 weeks
- ⇒ When does the program start? July 6th 2021– August 10th, 2021
- ⇒ How will the virtual program take place? Through G Suite, email exchanges, video conferences, video presentations, relevant articles, Google Docs, JotForm, YouTube and even TikTok.



## **Program Overview**

We at ARISE believe that young people have the potential to be future leaders who can bring positive changes in their own communities and even around the world.

The world's youth are eager to learn and to be meaningful in the world. Many times, it just requires an opportunity and some instructions to get them engaged in projects that will spark their inner creativity. That is exactly what ARISE hopes for students to achieve in this program.



ARISE has designed a unique project where teens will be partnered to work together. Throughout the program, teens will accomplish three tasks.

- 1. First, they will identify a problem/issue that they care about.
- 2. Second, they will collaborate on how the problem/issue can be resolved.
- 3. Third, they will present their project and solution in the real world.

ARISE will guide students step by step throughout the lessons. The students' projects will be evaluated by ARISE's committee, and the team that has the most creative and innovative solution will be rewarded a cash prize of \$300.00, which will be divided by members of that team.

The virtual program will be intense, but it will be fun, innovative and meaningful.

Important Reminder: The project that the students create might be viewed as "just a side project." It is always important to remind teens that their ideas and school projects can become reality, and who knows, as they grow older, this "project" might eventually become reality.

There are many successful companies today that started from a "side project" that they completed at school or with friends/family. Snapchat, the image messaging app, is a perfect example. One of its founders, Evan Spiegel, proposed Snapchat as a class project while studying design at Stanford University. This project is now a legitimate and successful business that is well-known around the world.

ARISE invites Global Teens to participate in this fun & educational virtual program with a purpose.

It's easy to get started!

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### Step 1

Submit the student application online.

# Step 2

ARISE's staff reviews the application. If the student is accepted he/she will receive an acceptance letter!

# Step 3

Be ready to engage!