

Grauer School student wins essay competition and trip to Japan

Grauer School student Sage Stahmer (grade 9) is one of three Encinitas students to win the Encinitas Sister City Essay Competition and trip to sister city Amakusa, Japan, for a week to stay with a host family to learn about the Japanese culture and represent the City of Encinitas as a good-will ambassador. The bi-annual competition conducted by the committee encouraged students to submit a 500-word essay on why they would like to visit City, Amakusa, Japan and how it can benefit Encinitas.

According to Michael Stauff-

fer, Parks and Recreation Department for the city of Encinitas, "The interview panel was particularly impressed with Sage for being an environmental activist and conducted him-



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self well during the interview; we felt he would be a wonderful representative for the city of Encinitas. His essay was compelling in that he hasn't traveled much outside the U.S., but understands the global concept of 'people are people,' and is eager to learn not only what similarities there are between our culture and the Japanese culture, but also the differences."

Sage will learn a few key phrases in Japanese before departing on July 23, during which he will be escorted on a sightseeing tour of historical museums, Japanese temples and engage in a variety of activities including cooking a traditional Japanese lunch and participating in gym activities with Japanese students of similar age. The Grauer School is located at 1500 South El Camino Real in Encinitas and scholarships are available. For additional information, call (760) 944-6777 or visit www.grauerschool.com.

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Jaguar Super V-8 sedan	\$52,900
Aston Martin Volante (44 K miles)	\$55,900
Porsche 911 Turbo (3k miles) Tiptronic	\$104,900
Bentley Flying Spur (6K miles)	\$129,900