

## PLACEMENT FOR CHILDCARE

Name of center: Nghia Tan primary school

Country/Location: Vietnam/Hanoi

<b>General Project Information</b>	
Name and Address of Local Contact	<p><b>Ms. Que</b> (Volunteer Program)            Email: coordinator@vpv.vn            Mobile: +84 912 585 525 (24 hours)</p>
Project information (summary of project, staffs and location)	<p>Nghia Tan primary school is situated in Cau Giay district in Hanoi; just opposite Nghia Do Lake. The local area has many cafés and charming shops. Volunteers can have relaxing walks with fresh ice-cream on warm days.</p> <p>The school has over 2000 students ranging in age from 6-11 and is a lively and active environment for volunteers to teach. The children do have some knowledge of both English and French.</p> <p>There are 45 teachers, of which four are English teachers and two are French teachers. English teachers are in charge of 42 classes, with about 50 students per class, meanwhile there are only five French classes with 30 students per class from the 1st to 5th grade.</p>
Volunteers and Interns' main responsibilities	<p>The main task of volunteers at Nghia Tan is assisting Vietnamese teachers in teaching English classes; however, volunteers are expect to play a role as a teacher when needed. Vietnamese teachers need the help of volunteers in terms of speaking and listening skills.</p> <p>They can speak English reasonably well, but lack the pronunciation skills of a native speaker, so volunteers would also help them in improving pronunciation. Volunteers have to follow the syllabus stipulated by the governmental program, but can also give helpful feedback and ideas regarding the syllabus.</p> <p>Volunteers should introduce fun new learning games which are thoroughly enjoyed by the kids. One English class has up to 50 students. However, volunteers should not feel daunted as the staff are always very friendly, helpful and will always offer support if necessary. Though the children at Nghia Tan School are by now quite used to foreign visitors, they still thoroughly enjoy having the volunteers around. Due to their warm reception, volunteers generally become equally fond of the children and enjoy the program very much.</p> <p>There are many opportunities here for volunteers. Judging from past experience with similar programs we are convinced</p>

	it will be a very rewarding experience. Both children and teachers are keen on working with volunteers and learning from them, and the children, as in other programs, love the company of foreigners and thoroughly enjoy communicating and playing with them.
Travel from accommodation to workplace	30 minutes walk from the accommodation
Working hours	The class duration is 35 minutes and there are breaks between classes varying from five to 15 minutes. The volunteer participates in different classes per day, working from Monday to Friday, from 8:25 to 17:00. Saturday and Sunday are days off.
Requirements for the interns and volunteers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Love working with children</li> <li>• Open minded and flexible</li> <li>• Patient and sympathetic</li> <li>• Proactive and creative</li> <li>• 18 plus</li> <li>• Minimum stay of 2 weeks</li> </ul>

<b>2. Location information</b>	
Departure and End Point	Hanoi International Airport
Stay at	VPV 72 Pham Than Duat Street, Mai Dich Ward, Cau Giay District, Hanoi, Vietnam
Food	Provided 3 meals a day with Vietnamese food, lunch at the project site.
Distance and location of the nearest phone/ Internet Café	Available at Volunteer house
Distance from accommodation to work	About 3 km
Nearest medical service for minor ailments (distance and time)	Hong Ngoc Hospital Duong Dinh Nghe, Me Tri, Tu Liem, Hanoi About 6 minute driving.
Nearest medical services for major problems (distance and time):	Viet Phap International Hospital Trung Hoa Area, Hanoi About 20 minute driving
Electricity	Yes/220 V/
Running water	Yes
Additional information that might be helpful to interns and volunteers	<p>General challenges for volunteer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Heat and humidity.</li> <li>- Pollution.</li> <li>- Difficulties in communicating with local people</li> <li>- Being a visible minority.</li> <li>- Working practice &amp; conditions differences. - Food – a lot of rice!</li> <li>- Traveling alone, homesickness.</li> <li>- Vegetarians should not expect many choices beside vegetable, eggs or tofu.</li> </ul>