

## **Programme for English Language tuition for Turkish Juniors (aged 12-18)**

### **Student Profile**

This programme targets Turkish junior students (aged 12 -18) who wish to come and study English in Ireland during the summer vacation periods. Students must be enrolled in secondary school in Turkey and travel in groups to Ireland with group leaders, all of whom must be adults. Courses may range from one week to four weeks in duration. The schools they attend in Ireland should be Marketing English in Ireland (MEI) member schools and therefore NQAI (ACELS) recognised. It is permissible also for the student to combine, within the overall 90 day visit limit, a language course and more general tourism. Visa applications for students who fall into this category and who submit all the required documentation will be processed in the Embassy of Ireland in Ankara. Provided all the requirements are met, the Embassy will endeavour to process the visas in three working days following receipt of the application. The maximum duration of the student's stay in Ireland is 90 days.

### **Course Profile**

The courses offered will be the same as those currently run by MEI schools for students from within the EEA. Course fees include tuition, full-board accommodation, insurance, transfers, five-afternoon social and cultural programmes, and full-day weekend excursions. The only extra money students need to bring is pocket money, the amount recommended by schools varying with the student's age.

### **Documentation**

- Online Visa Application Summary
- Passport and 2 Photos
- Fee (€60 for single-entry visa, €100 for multiple-entry visa)
- A letter of booking confirmation from the Irish school.
- A copy of the bank transfer to be sent AFTER visa approval but prior to visa issue
- Signed Parental or Guardian Consent
- Letter of enrolment in a Turkish secondary school
- A letter of confirmation from the MEI office, similar to the one to be issued for University students. This letter should also set out the accommodation arrangements (e.g. host family, school, hostel, hotel etc.) for the students when in Ireland and the address where the child will be staying. Where amendments have to be made to accommodation post arrival a revised schedule should be forwarded by MEI once the placements have been completed.
- Evidence of finances if food and lodging are not included in the overall package
- Evidence of travel Insurance

### **Entry to the State**

- On arrival at the frontier, the participants must be in possession of their passport to which is affixed a valid Irish visa. They should also have in their possession the documentation used in respect of their visa application.
- All participants would be required to show immigration officers at the airports that they have return tickets.

### **General Conditions**

Students must be law abiding while in Ireland and must comply with the conditions of their immigration permission.

Visas granted under the scheme will not be extended beyond 90 days.

As these are short term students they do not have permission to work.

**Please note that these guidelines are subject to change.**