



The Greater Kansas City People to People Council

# GKCPTP 2023 Sponsor Briefing

5 June 2023 at 17:30 CT

Kauffman Foundation Conference Center

# Agenda

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- Class of 2024 Timeline
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# About GKCTP

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- GKCTP is a membership-based organization of citizen diplomats who believe that international peace and understanding can best be achieved on a one-to-one basis.





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# What does GKCTP offer?

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- Opportunity to interact with international visitors
- Opportunity to advance international understanding and friendship by face-to-face contacts with citizens of the world
- Opportunity to make a difference in how others perceive America
- Personal development and enrichment



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Travel is encouraged by U.S. citizens to meet with and learn about citizens of the world.

Citizens of the world are encouraged to travel to the U.S.

# Class of 2023 Timeline

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- AY23 IMS Badge Ceremony - 8 June at 9:00. Arrive 8:15-8:45 and be seated by 8:45. Ceremony will start promptly at 9:00.
- ISMD will provide shuttle service from 8:00-9:30. Pickup from the old Bell Hall Parking lot near/at the inside parking lot corner of Sherman and Reynolds Ave and drop off near the circle of Lewis and Clark.
- AY23 IMS Graduation - 9 June at 9:00 (ISMD advises sponsors NOT attend)
- Both events are in-person – sponsors will be seated in the auditorium for the Badge Ceremony unless arriving late, then will be seated in the overflow area
- The events are viewable on the Army University FB page: [facebook.com/ArmyUniversity/](https://facebook.com/ArmyUniversity/)
  - For those using an app, it's easiest to just open their FB app and search for Army University
- The information is also posted on our website [www.gkcptp.org](http://www.gkcptp.org)



- Flexibility is key to sponsorship
  - Guidelines and rules developed early may change as conditions warrant
- Sponsors are encouraged to meet IMS at the airport
- IMS will report on 19 June
- In-person Icebreakers with sponsors are planned for 10-13 July (attend on the night you're invited)



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- Physical interaction and traditional IMSD sponsored events are planned, but may change if conditions warrant otherwise
- If conditions permit – focus on “Community Integration” period 19 June – 06 August. This is when the IMS will most need your help getting settled and acclimated to life in the United States.
- Flag Ceremony is 07 Aug at Lewis & Clark
- “Pace” of the course (starting 07 Aug) will again be even more intense than usual. Most class days between August and the Winter Break will be at least 6 hours in duration.



- How to obtain your LAC Cards
  - Link to the application: <http://www.gkcptp.org/fort-access.htm> Instructions are on the GKCPTP website. A few reminders:
    - Complete only the top two (2) sections of the form labeled (completed by applicant), the Application Information and Criminal History
    - Do NOT complete the sections labeled (completed by sponsor)
    - Do NOT sign the form; the signature is done at time of pickup
    - Return completed form to Pat Burnett or Sharon Valasek
  - Pat or Sharon will submit the LAC app to IMSD for processing
  - Processing time varies depending on IMSD availability, accuracy of information, accuracy of processing and Visitors Control Center (VCC) factors



- How to pick up your approved LAC ID
  - Once notified by Pat or Sharon that the LAC pass is approved, applicant has 30 days from date of VCC approval to pick up from the VCC
  - Before driving to Leavenworth, it is highly recommended the applicant call the VCC before driving there to ensure:
    - VCC has your approved application (it's possible sponsors will be unable to get confirmation of approved application)
    - VCC's systems are functioning
  - Pick up LAC pass promptly; VCC allows three (3) applications
  - Each individual picks up their own pass (e.g., cannot pick up for spouse)





- LAC ID Reminders

- All passes expire in February in compliance with IMSD policy
- A new LAC Pass is required annually, thus this process repeats annually
- Sponsors submit apps Jan 1-31 each year, including anyone who submitted later than the January cutoff (e.g., new sponsors)

# In Appreciation

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- GKCPTP has a distinctive focus on military officer sponsorship
- Many members have deep gratitude for this special organization, readily contributing their time and talents
- A heartfelt thank you to each and every sponsor!

# A Chance to Make a Difference

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*“...given a chance, people will make friends across, around, over and under all the natural and man-made barriers which separate them.”*  
President Dwight D. Eisenhower



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- Chapter website: [www.gkcptp.org](http://www.gkcptp.org)
- GKCPTP on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/pages/Greater-Kansas-City-People-to-People/164276116370](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Greater-Kansas-City-People-to-People/164276116370)
- Email blasts from our president Don Fuson approximately every 2-3 weeks
  - Contact Karen Haber at [karen@kchaber.com](mailto:karen@kchaber.com) to be added to email blast (Mailchimp) list

Thank you for attending!

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QUESTIONS