

2009-20010 Chefnak Interview Questions

Student _____ Interviewer's Initials _____

Essay Notes:

1. Who are you? Tell us a little bit about your background, family, interests, goals, future dreams. What are your passions and what makes you tick?

2. What do you know about Chefnak and the Rose Urban Rural Exchange Program? Why do you want to get involved?

3. If you are chosen as one of the scholars, you will travel to Chefnak as a “cultural ambassador”. Explain your definition of “cultural ambassador” and how you think you could fulfill this role.

4. When a person travels or explores outside his/her everyday environment, it is common to experience situations that are awkward. How do you react to situations that make you feel uncomfortable? Can you share an example of a personal experience?

5. How do you overcome obstacles—whatever they may be? Can you give us an example from the past?

6. What do you think are your top three strengths as a person?

7. When we travel, we'll have an opportunity to research three key areas of our choice. What are some areas/topics you'd like to know about in Chefnak?

8. As a cultural ambassador team, we will probably need to get together after school once a week. Will you be able to do this?

9. Are you involved in any school activities or part-time jobs? Describe your schedule for us.

10. We try to work around student schedules, but during travel weeks—both traveling and hosting—the RURE activities/field trips will take precedence over other school activities. For example, if you have soccer practice, you'd have to miss it. Will this be a problem for you?

11. Can your family host one of the students when they come to Wasilla High School? What is one thing outside of school you'd like to share with your visiting host/brother or sister?

13. Do you have any questions for us?