Photo Album

Each delegate will bring a photo album showing his/her life in Alaska. You will show this album to your host family and friends in Japan and at Labo Camp. When you leave Japan, you will leave the album with your host family as a gift.

The album should be 9×12 inches, give or take a few inches; if it is much smaller it will be difficult to show to a group, and anything too large will be difficult for you to carry around. Have one or two photos per page, so the photos are large enough to be seen when you hold up the book during a Labo Party meeting. The book can be any format: a photo album, a looseleaf binder, something you make yourself, etc.

You will want to begin gathering photos now. They can be cut from tourist brochures or from the newspaper, printed off the internet and of course, taken by you, your family and friends.

You will want to take photos of yourself doing your hobbies and activities. You will want to show winter events, the northern lights and Alaskan animals. Try to show yourself and others doing daily things, such as washing dishes or grocery shopping, as well as special events such as sled dog races. Be sure and include photos of your room, your house, your family, pets, sports, school (ask for permission before taking any photos inside a school building), clubs, church, your car, school bus, where you get your mail. These may seem uninteresting to you, but Japan is very different from Alaska and your host family and new friends will really enjoy seeing them. Plus, its easier to show something than to explain it, right?