The 17th Annual Japanese Speech Contest

Organized by The Kakamigahara International Association (KIA)

Why not try to express in Japanese what you're thinking and doing in your daily life?

Give us a lively speech!

Aim: To support foreigners studying Japanese

To foster multicultural coexistence between people

Sponsors Kakamigahara City, Kakamigahara City Board of Education

■ Date • Time February 1, 2026 (Sunday) Starting 13:30 (Reception begins 13:00)

■ Place Sangyo Bunka Center, 4th floor, Dai 2 Gakushushitsu (Conference room 3)

■ Categories Children's Division Elementary students (born April 2, 2013~April 1, 2019)

Youth Division Junior high/ high students (born April 2, 2007~April 1, 2013)

General Division Open to anyone above the other groups

Participants Must be a resident of Kakamigahara City, or be employed/studying in Kakamigahara.

Application

Applicants must hand in* or send by post / email their application form to the Kakamigahara International Association by <u>December 21 (Sun), 2025</u>. Online application is also possible.

Online application →



https://logoform.jp/form/en3w/123209

Manuscript Submission

Applicants must hand in* or send by post / email their speech manuscript to the Kakamigahara International Association by January 15 (Thu), 2026.

* Please note that the office opens 8:30 – 17:15 on weekday (except for national holiday).

Regarding your Speech:

■ Theme Open (Your choice)

■ Length $3\sim$ 5 minutes. Being longer or shorter will reduce your score.

Judges School teachers, and so on.

Criteria
Speeches will be judged based on Contents, Composition, Grammar,

Pronunciation, Expression, etc. Highest priority will be given to the Contents.

You may read your speech from a manuscript.

Awards Children's Division • Youth Division

Medals will be awarded for Gold, Silver, and Bronze for the top participants,

with a book gift card as a supplementary award.

General Division

All participants will receive a trophy and giftcard.

*Participant's names and the contents of their speeches may be published in local newspapers and on the Kakamigahara International Association homepage.

*The video of the speech will be accessible on the Kakamigahara International Association Channel on the video posting site YouTube for a limited time.

(Those who do not want their speech posted on YouTube will not be uploaded.)

For Applications or Questions:

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