

Kakamigahara English News

Turning 20? Be sure to get your National Pension Books (*Kokumin Nenkin Techo*)

The Japanese National Pension Fund requires payments from everyone beginning at age 20 to 60. Those turning 20 this year need to make sure they receive their booklet and pension information. Please come to the City Hall's Citizen's Services Division(*Shiminka*) the day before your 20th birthday to apply.

For more information or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Southern Gifu Pension Office at TEL 058-273-6161, or the Kakamigahara City Hall Citizen's Services Division at TEL: 058-383-1113

The Kakamigahara City Hall Tourism and Multicultural Division

You can find us on the 6th floor of the Sangyou Bunka Center. Our hours are 8:30 AM~5:15 PM.

Telephone: 058-383-1426

E-Mail: kia@city.kakamigahara.gifu.jp

Website: www.kia1986.org

Please feel free to contact us if you have questions, comments, or for more information.

Children's Health Services For June:

Times for children health checks are from 13:00~13:30.

Please use the designated location for the area you live in. The areas are:

Sogo Fukushi Kaikan: For those living in the **Naka, Kawashima, Sohara, and Inaba** areas.

The **Asahi Kodomokan** area has been relocated to the *Higashi Hoken Soudan Center*. This is for those living in the **Unuma** area.

4 months

Date	Location	For Children Born
June 1 (Fri)	Higashi Hoken Soudan Center	January 2018
June 4 (Mon)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	January 1 – 15 2018
June 5 (Tues)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	January 16 – 31 2018

Includes physical

11 months

Date	Location	For Children Born
June 25 (Mon)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	July 2017
June 26 (Tues)	Higashi Hoken Soudan Center	July 2017

Physical and dental inspection

1 year 6 months (18 months)

Date	Location	For Children Born
June 12 (Tues)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	November 1 – 15 2016
June 13 (Wed)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	November 16 – 30 2016
June 18 (Mon)	Higashi Hoken Soudan Center	November 2016

Includes physical and dental check

3 years

Date	Location	For Children Born
June 19 (Tues)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	May 1 – 15 2015
June 20 (Wed)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	May 16 – 31 2015
June 22 (Fri)	Higashi Hoken Soudan Center	May 2015

Includes physical, vision and hearing check, urine exam.

For more information contact the Kakamigahara Kenko Kanrika at TEL 058-383-1115

OR the Higashi Hoken Soudan Center (Unuma) at TEL 058-379-7888

Blood Drive

May 6th (Sunday) Apita Kakamigahara Store, 9:30AM~12:00 PM, 1:30 PM~4:00 PM

June 10th (Sunday) Apita Kakamigahara Store, 9:30AM~12:00 PM, 1:30 PM~4:00 PM

City Hall Holiday / After Hours and Services for April:

The Kakamigahara City Hall will have the following irregular hours for the following services in May. Please use the basement entrance located on the North Side of the Main building.

City Tax:

Holiday hours:

May 13 (Sunday), 1:00 PM~5:00PM

Evening Consultations:

May 10 (Thursday), 11 (Friday), 14 (Monday), 15 (Tuesday) 5:15 PM~8 PM

(First floor of City Hall, Tax Division)

TEL: 058-383-4773

National Health Insurance Premiums:

Holiday hours:

May 13 (Sunday), 1:00 PM~5:00PM

Evening Consultations:

May 10 (Thursday), 11 (Friday), 14 (Monday), 15 (Tuesday) 5:15 PM~8 PM

(First Floor, National Healthcare Insurance Division)

TEL: 058-383-1112

Our Favorite Things 2018 Riverside Live Music Festival

It's almost here! This year's awesome line-up of indie talent includes performances by: YOUR SONG IS GOOD, Yogee New Waves, CHAI, Tempalay, Mitsume, MONO NO AWARE, Ryofu Karuma, ORLAND, and deadbundy!

It all happens on July 8th at the River Environment Park (next to Gifu Aqua Toto).

Tickets go on sale from May 1st so hurry to get them before they sell out! Advanced sale tickets are 3,500 yen, 4,000 yen at the gate. Tickets will be available this year from the following outlets: CN Playguide, Kakamigahara Open Class (Aeon Mall 2F), and from the Tourism and Multicultural Division (Sangyou Bunka Center 6F). For more information feel free to contact the Tourism and Multicultural Division (*Kankoukouryouka*) at TEL 058-383-9925

Light Vehicle (2, 3, and 4 wheel) Taxes are due May 31st

Please be sure to pay the city collected taxes for light vehicles by the end of May. Remember the rates vary depending on the age of your vehicle and there are discounted rates for various kinds of environmentally-friendly systems (such as natural gas, electric, etc.). If you have any questions please contact the tax division at TEL 058-383-4703

14th Annual Takenoko (Bamboo Shoot) Festival

The festival will be held on Saturday, May 12th from 10:00 AM (rainy weather may prohibit some events) at the *Kakamino Shizen Isan no Mori*. Events include a play area with things made from Bamboo (such as a slide made from bamboo, water guns, stilts, ring toss, kendama, and so on; a tea spot (100 yen, up to 200 visitors), an chance to try orienteering in the forest (from 2:00 PM), Bamboo crafts (you can make bamboo helicopters, etc.), a photo contest, and some shops. Free soup will be offered to the first 200 visitors (serving from 11:00 AM). Other events include a drink corner, mini steam train (not in the rain), and a balloon art workshop.

There isn't much parking available at the venue, it is suggested you park elsewhere; Kakami Elementary School has been designated a parking space for this event.

For more information please call the River Park Division (*Kasen Koen Ka*) at TEL 058-383-1111 (ext. 2755)

Volunteer Japanese Language Courses

Kakamigahara City offers Japanese language courses at the Sangyou Bunka Center for residents. Classes are offered three times on Wednesdays from 6:00 PM, 7:00 PM, and 8:00 PM for about an hour. These are 1-on-1 lessons with a volunteer teacher, and you get to have input on the kind of study (speaking, reading/writing, etc.) as well as the text you will use. Texts and dictionaries are available for use during classes, but students are encouraged to buy their own in order to study outside of the classroom.

The classes are 2,000 yen for 10 classes (10 classes, not 10 weeks, you can skip a week or make other schedule arrangements with us), payable in full at the first class. Again, the classes are taught by volunteer teachers on a 1-to-1 ratio, so please be aware that it may take some time to find a teacher for you, usually from 2 -5 weeks but it can take over a month or even two in some circumstances.

Please stop by the International Salon or the Tourism and Multi-Cultural Division (*Kankoukouryuka*) desk on the 6F of the Sangyou Bunka Center for more information and fill out your registration sheet today!