

# Kakamigahara English News

## **Elementary Students- Take the Overseas Study Program Challenge!**

The Kakamigahara International Association's annual Elementary School Overseas Study Program is about to set sail!

The city will select up to 8 students from the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades from local schools to go to Guam from March 30<sup>th</sup>-April 2<sup>nd</sup> (3 nights, 4 days) to study about the native culture, some nature, practice a little English, and learn about the value of peace.

Students who would like to participate can attend the information/explanation on December 10<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 PM at the *Sangyou Bunka Center* (meeting room 3, located on the 2F). If you are sure you'd like to try, you must submit an application and written essay stating your reasons for wanting to go (application forms are available from local elementary schools, the KIA office, or the KIA website. Essays should be a maximum of 400 characters (preferably in Japanese) and around two A4 sized-pages in length. Applications must be submitted to the KIA office (the *Kankoukouryuka* division on the 6F of the *Sangyou Bunka Center*). Entrants will also have to participate in a face-to-face interview at a date and time to be announced at a later date.

For more information please feel free to contact us for more information at TEL: 058-383-1426.

## **City Shuttle Wagons, Ho!**

Currently there is a lot of construction going on around the city hall, and parking is difficult. To help alleviate the stress and congestion the city has been running shuttle bussing service from the Library/Shimin Park parking (where parking is free for up to 3 hours, 100 yen each additional hour) and the city hall. Busses leave approximately every 15 minutes. Please use this free bussing service.

If you have any questions or comments, please direct them to TEL 058-383-1619.

## **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](mailto:kia@city.kakamigahara.gifu.jp)

Website: [www.kia1986.org](http://www.kia1986.org)

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

## **Children's Health Services For January:**

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.

Note that the *Higashi Hoken Soudan Center* services those living in the **Unuma** area.

4 months

| Date             | Location                    | For Children Born |
|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| January 6 (Mon)  | Sogo Fukushi Kaikan         | August 1-15 2019  |
| January 7 (Tues) | Sogo Fukushi Kaikan         | August 16-31 2019 |
| January 8 (Wed)  | Higashi Hoken Soudan Center | August 2019       |

Includes physical

11 months

| Date              | Location                    | For Children Born |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| January 27 (Mon)  | Sogo Fukushi Kaikan         | February 2019     |
| January 28 (Tues) | Higashi Hoken Soudan Center | February 2019     |

Physical and dental inspection

1 year 6 months (18 months)

| Date              | Location                    | For Children Born |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| January 14 (Tues) | Sogo Fukushi Kaikan         | June 1-15 2018    |
| January 15 (Wed)  | Sogo Fukushi Kaikan         | June 16-30 2018   |
| January 17 (Fri)  | Higashi Hoken Soudan Center | June 2018         |

*Includes physical and dental check*

3 years

| Date              | Location                    | For Children Born   |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| January 20 (Mon)  | Higashi Hoken Soudan Center | December 2016       |
| January 21 (Tues) | Sogo Fukushi Kaikan         | December 1-15 2016  |
| January 22 (Wed)  | Sogo Fukushi Kaikan         | December 16-31 2016 |

*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

- **As of February 2019, it is possible to make appointments for the office online. Please check the city news and web page for more info and procedures.**

### **Blood Donation**

There will be an opportunity to donate blood in December!

December 10 (Tuesday) 10:00 AM~4:30 PM at Tokai Gakuin Daigaku

**City Hall Holiday / After Hours and Services for December:**

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

|   | Evening Consultations                      | Holiday hours              | Telephone    |
|---|--|----------------------------|--------------|
| National Health Insurance<br>(1 <sup>st</sup> floor,<br>Medical insurance Division) | Dec.10-13<br>(Tues-Fri)<br>5:15~8:00PM     | Dec 15 <sup>th</sup> (Sun) | 058-383-1112 |
| City Tax<br>(2 <sup>nd</sup> floor, Tax Division)                                   | Dec. 12, 13<br>(Thurs, Fri)<br>5:15~8:00PM | 1:00~5:00PM                | 058-383-4773 |

**2019 KIA International Festival**

For one afternoon we will have booths representing different countries in one place! Come in and sample a variety of foods, talk about or learn from natives about their home countries, and enjoy a positive social exchange with a variety of people!

The Festival will be held on December 8 (Sunday) from 1:00 PM~ 4:00 PM at the Sogo Fukushi Center's 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Meeting Hall.

Anyone can join in, but if you would like to try any foods/ crafts you will need to purchase a Cultural Exchange Ticket for 500 yen for non-members.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the KIA division at TEL 058-383-1426.

**Chuo Public Library Christmas Event**

The Kakamigahara City Central Library will have its annual Christmas event on Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> from 1:30-3:00 in the afternoon. The event will include singing performances, an English book reading and a special reading by Santa Claus! The event is open to all and is free of charge, on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the library's large meeting hall.

For more information you can reach the library at TEL 058-383-1122

### **Elementary School Enrollment Confirmation**

Confirmation of student enrollment for children entering elementary school will be sent mid-December. Please make sure there are no errors in the name, address, and other information. Be sure to contact the Board of Education if one or more of the following conditions apply :

- \*Your child will be entering a school other than a municipal one.
- \*You have a plan to change your address by April 2020.
- \*You receive notification from another municipal government.
- \* Your child is unable to enter school due to illness or other unavoidable circumstances.

You can contact the School Education Division at TEL 058-383-1118.

### **For Those Office Workers Regarding Adjustments (Taxes):**

Unadjusted year is the adjustment of the difference between the total income tax and the amount for income tax that was collected from the monthly salary and the income tax that one is required to pay in one year.

Those who wish to declare tax deductions for supporting dependents, spouse, etc. should submit the Declaration of Tax Exemption for Dependent (*Fuyōkōjotōshinkokusho*) and/or Declaration of Tax Exemption for Spouse (*Haigūshakōjo-tō shinkoku-sho*) to the workplace.

Please note that you cannot claim the same dependents on two or more people's tax forms! Once only!

If you find you have made any errors or changes need to be made please alert your place of employment as soon as possible to make the tax process as smooth as possible.

If there are any questions or you need more explanations, please consult the tax homepage at: <https://www.nta.go.jp/> OR the Gifu Southern Tax Office at TEL 058-271-7111

**\*\*E-Tax Services are also available.** Please note that the My Number personal number ID is required to process your taxes.

If you need a My Number card, or have questions about that please contact the Citizen's Services Division at the city hall (TEL 058- 383-1078).

If you want to learn about filing online through E-Tax, go to the website at <https://www.e-tax.nta.go.jp>, or call the Gifu Southern Tax office (TEL 058-383-1078)