



1 Message from the Head Teacher

Happy New Year! The year 2024 has begun. The Noto Peninsula earthquake on the first day of the year and the collision of airplanes at Haneda Airport on the second day made a terrible start of the new year for Japan. We hope that the damage will not be any worse than it is now.

The Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) was held on Sunday, December 3. Our N1 and N3 certification rate for the July JLPT was over 70%, so we expect that the certification rate for N2 will also be over 70% in the results that will come in late January.

Also, the results of the November EJU (Examination for Japanese University Admission for International Students) were announced on Friday, December 22. According to the summary of results from the test organization, the average score for all examinees (242.1 points) was about 7 points higher than this year's first test, and the average score of our school was 262.8 points, 20 points higher than the overall average. For students who will proceed to higher education, the score will affect their choice of schools to apply to. Please continue the preparation and practice for your exam.

On Friday, December 15, the school's December test (written test) was held, and before that, the conversation test was held. For the new students in October, it was their first big exam at our school, and they must have been nervous, especially in the conversation test. The homeroom teachers gave feedback on the conversation test, and we hope that you will make use of their comments on your conversation skills in the future.

There are only two months left of classes for the graduating class students. Some students have already decided on their course after graduation, but we would like each of you to work toward your goals and build up what you can do now. We hope you can enjoy making memories with your classmates.

Winter is finally in full swing. This winter seems to be warmer than usual, but it is very dry. So please take care of your health to prevent viral infections. We wish you all a healthy and fulfilling year.

2 Messages from the Career Counseling Room

New year has come, and this year's Japanese language school classes are about two months away from graduation, and the time is coming to an end.

Even though the impact of the new coronavirus has gradually diminished in our daily lives, there still exist universities and vocational schools that conduct examinations such as online interview and online oral examinations, which are different from ordinary times. Based on past experiences, the Career Counseling room is fully equipped to handle exam preparation for COVID-19 in addition to regular exam preparation.

By the way, the career guidance room is mainly for entrance examination consultation, but the contents of consultation is changing from "students who want to consult about future entrance exams" to "students who ask questions about the procedures after passing the school" and "students who aim to proceed to higher education in April 2025". However, there are still students who are working hard towards their goals until the very end. As of January 15, 2024, there are still about 60 private universities in the suburbs of Tokyo for which you can still take entrance exams. We will continue to provide career guidance until the last one is satisfied with their decision.

Every day, little by little, we're getting happy news about the passing of exams. Congratulations to all the parents of the students who passed. We hope that we will continue to receive good news.

List of Accepted Schools (as of 2023/12)

《University》

Tokyo International University: Faculty of International Relations (E-Track), Sanno University: Faculty of Management, Seigakuin University: Faculty of Psychology and Welfare, Tokai University: Faculty of Architecture and Urban Design, Toyo University: Faculty of Economics, Nihon University Faculty of Commerce

《Vocational School》

HAL Tokyo, Kuwasawa Design School, International Animal College, Sundai Travel & Hotel College, Tsuji Culinary Institute, Tsuji Culinary Institute Tokyo, Tokyo Foreign Language College, Tokyo Cool Japan, Tokyo School of Business, Tokyo Confectionery School, Tokyo Designer Gakuin, Toyota Tokyo Automobile College, Nihon

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Confectionery College, Japan Electronics College, Hiko Mizuno College of Jewelry, Bunka Fashion College, Waseda International Business College

③ ~From October to December / Campus Life for Three-month Period~

October 12 『Learning Support Scholarship Award Ceremony』

The awarding ceremony for the Study Support Scholarship was held on October 12.

This scholarship provides 20,000 yen per month for 5 months to students with excellent grades and attendance rates who are studying hard without receiving money from their parents.

Congratulations to the following recipients of this scholarship, HUYNH TUAN ANH (Vietnam), TSAI MING HUNG (Taiwan), CHEN KAI YUAN (Taiwan), PARK SUN WOO (South Korea) and ALADA IVAN JERRELL OBIAL (Philippines).

We hope that students will continue to work hard in their studies and accomplish their dreams.

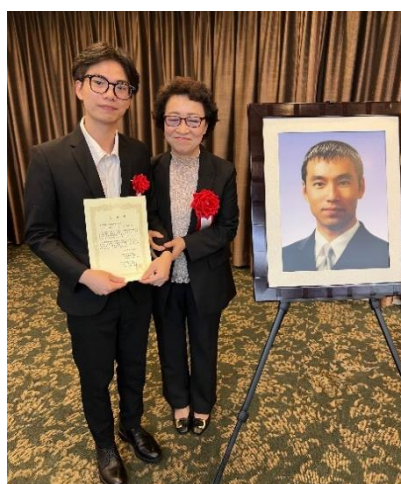


October 18 『LSH Asia Shogakukai Scholarship』 Ceremony

The LSH Asia Scholarship Foundation Scholarship Award Ceremony was held in Tokyo, and Mr. NGUYEN DUY THIEN (Vietnam) from our school received the scholarship.

Congratulations! Please continue your efforts in your Japanese study.

*The LSH Asia Scholarship Foundation, a specified non-profit organization, has long honored the courageous deeds of the late Lee Soo Hyun, and at the same time aims to become a bridge between his home country and Japan. The purpose is to financially support language school students from Asian countries studying in Japan.



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October 21 『Shabereon '23』

The 31st Japanese speech contest "Shabereon '23" was held at the Shinjuku Culture Center on Saturday, October 21st. This speech contest has a long history and is sponsored by the Tokyo Shinjuku TriStar Lions Club, the Tokyo Sumidagawa Lions Club, and the Shinjuku Foundation for Creation of Future.

Sixteen students from Japanese language schools in Tokyo presented their speeches. Two students, LION (HOANG VAN DUOC, Vietnam) and CHAEWON (KIM CHAEWON, South Korea), gave their speeches from our school.

LION's topic was "The Great Investor" and CHAEWON's topic was "Festival." Both expressed what they felt and thought through their study in Japan using their own words. LION expressed his gratitude to his parents, and CHAEWON presented about Japanese traditional culture. They may have been very nervous giving their speeches in Japanese in front of many people, but it must have been a valuable experience for both of them.



November 2 『2023 Autumn New Students Interaction Event』

On Thursday, November 2, we held the "Autumn New Students Class Interaction Event". Nearly 100 new students that enrolled in July and October enjoyed a barbecue party at Shin-Kiba park, facing Tokyo Bay. The day was sunny and we enjoyed delicious food and drinks in a lively atmosphere.

Each class grilled individually packaged meats, vegetables, and yakisoba noodles, and enjoyed the food. Some students actively found roles to play, such as taking food out of the packages and grilling, and sharing it, while some others concentrated on eating. They showed us another side of themselves that we do not usually see in class. Some students enjoyed conversation not only with the classmates but also with students who enrolled in different month.

At the end of the event, each class took a group photo and finished the party. It was a wonderful day for students to interact with many people and they had a good time.



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November 4 『 Tokyo International University's school festival ~International Festival~ with Kawagoe short trip.』

On Saturday, November 4, a clear autumn day, we went to the International Festival held at the Kawagoe Campus of Tokyo International University (TIU). Only those students who wished participated in the event and the number of participants was 39. It was the first visit to TIU for all of them.

The campus was filled with TIU exchange students dressed in traditional ethnic costumes. It was full of international atmosphere, just like the one people expect from an "international university". There were many booths serving dishes from various countries, prepared by TIU students. Our students enjoyed dishes from their own countries and other countries. On the outdoor stage, music performances were held and international students also gave performances.

In the afternoon, we moved to Kawagoe City for a walk. They enjoyed sightseeing while experiencing the history and culture of Koedo (Small Edo). Blessed with fine weather, it was a very enjoyable day.



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『Club demonstrations』

Flower arrangement club



Tea ceremony club



Calligraphy club





Kimono dressing club



Other activities outside of school

Students can use the gymnasium at the Shinjuku Cosmic Sports Center near the school, and some students play volleyball. There is also a swimming pool etc. for students to exercise after school and on weekends.



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The school life is posted on the following school facebook. Please visit the website.

<https://www.facebook.com/tiujapanese>

● Schedule for January to March ●

1/9	Beginning of class
1/9~	Writing haiku poetry
2/28	Speech contest
2/29	Graduation exam
3/11	Graduation ceremony
3/15	March exam (except for graduate students)
3/19	Classes end (current students)
3/21~	Spring vacation