



Takasaka International Relations Society 高崎市国際交流協会

TAKASAKI & YOU

Takasaki City: Population: 374,472 Area: 459.16 km²

Registered Foreign Residents:

There are 5,127 foreign residents from around 60 different countries residing in Takasaki City from China, Philippines, Vietnam, etc... (as at 31st January 2018)

=Information from TIRS= Spring Japanese Classes

The Takasaki International Relations Society (TIRS) offers Japanese courses for local foreigners throughout the year at 5 locations around the city. They are taught by our volunteer staff, and students are separated into small groups according to their level.

Cost: ¥500 yen per 10 lesson course

Chuo Kominkan (Suehiro-cho 27)

Tuesdays 10am-12 noon; 8th May-10th July

Thursdays 7pm-8:30pm; 17th May-26th July

Saturdays 1:30pm-3:30pm; 12th May-14th July

Nakai Kominkan (Nakai-machi 3-21-1)

Wednesdays 6:30pm-8pm, 9th May-11th July

Gunma Fukushi Kaikan (Munadaka-machi 977-1)

Mondays 5pm-6:45pm; 14th May-23rd July

Mondays 7pm-8:45pm; 14th May-23rd July

Shinmachi Bunka Hall (Shinmachi 3190-1)

Wednesdays 10am-11:45am; 14th May-23rd July

Saturdays 10am-11:45am; 12th May-14th July

Yoshii Nishi Community Center (Yoshii-machi Nagane 525)

Tuesdays 7pm-8:30pm; 8th May-10th July

Registration: Contact the TIRS (details at bottom) before the start of the course you wish to attend.

Let us know:

- Name, address, telephone number
- Nationality, length of time spent in Japan
- Whether you can read/write hiragana or katakana and your speaking
- Language learning goals
- Course you want to attend

Junior International Club

Junior International Club is a group of 40 Takasaki students from grade 4 through to junior high school who get together 9 times a year to participate in international activities. In 2017, the group will make pizzas with non-Japanese residents, visit the Asian Rural Institute, volunteer at the International Festival and hear about the experiences of people

who have lived in a different culture.

Eligible Students: Must live in Takasaki and be from grade 4 of elementary school to grade 3 of junior high school.

Cost: ¥7,000 per year

Number of Spaces: 40

Apply: Send a postcard to the International Relations Society (35-1 Takamatsu-cho, Takasaki) with the student's name, address, telephone number, school name, grade, and a few words about in their own handwriting about why they are interested in the club.

Deadline: Postcards must arrive at the office by Monday 23rd April.

Become a Volunteer

The International Relations Society has many opportunities for Japanese and non-Japanese residents to use their skills to help others

Multicultural Instructors (Tabunka Koshi)

Do you know how to cook dishes from your native land? Can you teach English or another foreign language? Are you able to visit local schools and talk about the way of life where you grew up? If so, please register as a Multicultural Instructor. We take requests from schools, community centers and other public organizations, and then introduce them to our registered Instructors. i

Language Assistants (Bogoshiensha)

If you speak and read Japanese as well as English or any other foreign language, this is your chance to help fellow foreign residents by interpreting for them in situations faced in everyday life in Japan. We dispatch Language Assistants to interpret at schools for foreign parents at meetings with teachers, at health check ups, and when doing business at other public offices.

Registration: Contact the TIRS office to obtain a registration form. Volunteer registration requires membership of the Takasaki International Relations Society (¥2,000/year)

TIRS Takasaki International Relations Society (International Relations Corner, 2nd Floor Takasaki City Hall)

TEL: 027-321-1201 (in English OK), FAX: 027-330-1819, Email: office@takasaki-irs.org

Website: www.glocalfive.net/tirs/ (Japanese, English, Chinese & Portuguese versions)

Facebook: takasaki.international



Vehicle Tax (Uidosha-zei)

If you own a car, it's soon the time when the annual vehicle tax notices will be sent out. This tax is levied on all vehicle owners on 1st April each year and is due by the end of May. If you have bought, sold or disposed of a car recently, be sure that the registered owner's address is correct and that you completed the necessary paperwork to ensure that the tax notice is sent to the correct person.

=Information from Takasaki City=

How to get rid of large household items

Unwanted furniture, bicycles, carpets, ski equipment and other household waste that measures over 60cm on any side, or weighs more than 10kg, must be disposed of via an approved city waste collection contractor.

How: 1. Purchase an oversize waste ticket at the General Waste Management Division on 2nd floor of Takasaki City Hall (¥510 per item). 2. Contact the waste disposal contractor for your area and arrange pick up.

Please Note: Refrigerators, washing machines, air conditioners and clothes dryers cannot be collected through this system.

Contact Numbers: Be sure to call the contractor for the area of Takasaki City in which you live.

Takasaki Area =027-322-1942

Kurabuchi Area=027-378-2569

Gunma Area=027-325-8774

Shinmachi Area=027-325-8774

Haruna Area=027-362-5533

Misato Area=027-371-5321

Yoshii Area=027-325-8774

City Hall Open on Sundays in March/April

Takasaki City Hall and its regional branch offices will be open on the following Sundays during March and April to accommodate people who move in or out of the city at this time of year.

Dates: Sundays 25th March, 1st April & 8th April.

Hours: 8:30am-5:15pm

Services Available:

- Notices of moving in/out, change of address
- Personal seal (inkan) registration & certificates
- Foreign resident procedures
- Issue of resident certificates & family registers
- My Number-related procedures
- Joining/leaving National Health Insurance
- National Pension matters
- Nursing care insurance

Become a Member of TIRS

Membership Dues: ¥2000/year

Period: April 2018-March 2019

Benefits: Priority sign up and discount for some events, bi-monthly newsletter delivered to your door, join 300 likeminded members to support Japanese classes, volunteer interpreters, international activities and exchange in Takasaki! Contact the TIRS office for more information on how to join.

きゅうじつとうばんい

休日当番医

'Kyujitsu toban i' are the medical clinics on duty on weekends and national holidays.

Surgery hours are 9am to 6pm. Be sure to take along your health insurance card.

※Schedule changes monthly, see 15th-of-the-month Takasaki Koho for full list. For other cities, see your local city magazine.



Night Clinic: (1F Public Health Center Takamatsu-cho) Mon-Fri=7:30pm-10pm; Sat, Sun, pub. hol=7pm-10pm

Children's Emergency Health Consultations: Dial #8000 to speak with a health professional for advice on whether to go to the hospital (Mon-Fri=6pm-8am next day; Sat, Sun, pub. hol=9am-8am next day).

Date	4th March (Sun)	11th March (Sun)	18th March (Sun)	21st March (Public Holiday)	25th March (Sun)
Internal Medicine (Naika)	Makimoto lin (Shibazuka-machi) ☎027-322-3623	Uehara Clinic (Takazeki-machi) ☎027-322-4965	Kondo lin (Iwahana-machi) ☎027-346-2208	Okamura Ichoka Clinic (Sakae-cho) ☎027-310-1211	Horikoshi Naika Clinic (Kami-Nakai-machi) ☎027-323-3653
	Gohyakuyama Clinic (Notsuke-machi) ☎027-384-6508	Sato Kokyukika lin (Iizuka-machi) ☎027-362-5122	Tsuchiya Naika lin (Tonya-machi 2) ☎027-360-3555	Oyama Naika Shinkei Naika (Kami-Namie-machi) ☎027-363-2258	Kiriyama Clinic (Suehiro-cho) ☎027-310-1234
Pediatrics (Shonika)	Hosoya Narishige Clinic (Oki-machi) ☎027-343-0230	Hiura lin (Kenzaki-machi) ☎027-344-1175	Oyama Shonika lin (Kuragano-machi) ☎027-346-0880	Miyashita Clinic (Shinbo-machi) ☎027-360-5577	Shiroyama Clinic (Shiroyama-machi 2) ☎027-327-2759