

The 8th Annual Rikkyo University Japanese Speech Contest
for International Students

Sponsored by the Tokyo Saint Paul Lions Club

Requirements

1. PURPOSE :

The Center for Japanese Language Education (CJLE) will host its 8th annual Japanese Speech Contest. This contest aims to provide opportunities for Special International Students (Short-term exchange students studying at Rikkyo) and regular International students to show their achievements and experiences in Japan and hopefully to motivate them to improve their proficiency in Japanese. Also, the contest will provide opportunities to enhance mutual understanding (or cultural exchange) between international students and people around international students including Japanese students at Rikkyo.

2. DATE :

June 22nd, 2019 (Saturday) 1:00pm—5:00pm

3. VENUE :

The Conference Room, the 3rd floor of the Tachikawa Memorial Hall,
Rikkyo University Ikebukuro Campus, Tokyo, Japan

4. ORGANIZER, etc. :

- 1) Organizer Center for Japanese Language Education, Rikkyo University
- 2) Co-organizer Tokyo Saint Paul Lions Club
- 3) Backer Ladies' Club, International Office, Rikkyo University

5. ELIGIBILITY :

Applicants must be a special international student or a regular undergraduate student at Rikkyo University, or a graduate student who has been enrolled in a Japanese language course offered by the CJLE.

6. CATEGORIES / PRIZES :

1) Categories

Beginner (J0—J3) / Intermediate (J4—J6) / Advanced (J7 · J8)

2) Prizes

- Tokyo Saint Paul Lions Club Prize (grand prize) awarded to one student
 Trophy, Certificate, as well as a QUO card valued at 15,000yen
- CJLE Prize (1st prize) awarded to one student for each category
 Certificate, as well as a QUO card valued at 10,000yen
- Ladies' Club Prize awarded to one student
 Certificate, as well as a QUO card valued at 5,000yen
- Fighting Spirit Prize awarded to one student
 Certificate, as well as a QUO card valued at 5,000yen
- Audience Special Prize awarded to one student
 Certificate, as well as a QUO card valued at 5,000yen
- Participation Prizes awarded to all participants except prize winners
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7. NUMBER FOR CONTESTANTS :

Fifteen to twenty

*In the event of too many applicants, screening will be done by evaluating the summary on the application form.

8. SPEECH THEME :

Theme is open.

*Propaganda is not allowed.

9. SPEECH DURATION :

Within 3 minutes for beginners

Within 5 minutes for intermediate and advanced

* Any speech exceeding the fixed duration will be penalized.

* After giving an introduction, the contestants must immediately proceed to the podium. The duration of the speech starts to be measured when the contestant starts to speak.

10. USING AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT/ USING A SCRIPT :

During the speech, using audio-visual equipment and using a script are not allowed.

*Refer to the CJLE Office in advance about using national costumes or props.

11. APPLICATION :

Submit completed application form with summary as shown below.

1) Where to apply

Center for Japanese Language Education Office in the International Office located on:

• Ikebukuro Campus: the 1st floor in Mckim Hall

• Niiza Campus: the 2nd floor in building# 7

* Application by e-mail or mail will not be accepted.

2) Application period

April 10th (Wednesday)– April 25th (Thursday) 5:00pm

*J0–J3 students may fill in the "summary" in English when applying. (The speech must be made in Japanese and the script in Japanese has to be checked at the Japanese Language Support Desk beforehand. (Refer to "16. 2-Using the Japanese Language Support Desk")

3) Application form:

Download available on the website.

12. ANNOUNCEMENT OF PARTICIPANTS :

Announcements will be sent to all applicants individually by e-mail regardless of acceptance. It will be sent to e-mail address on the application by April 29th (Monday).

*Please be sure to send an e-mail to confirm acceptance immediately.

13. JUDGES :

Director and Deputy Director of the CJLE, Members of the CJLE, Director of the International Office, Members of the Tokyo Saint Paul Lions Club

14. JUDGING CRITERIA :

- 1) In the event of too many applicants, screening will be done by evaluating the summary on the application form.
- 2) Evaluated by overall Japanese proficiency, content and presentation.
Audience votes are added for the Audience Special Prize.
* All decisions of the judges are final.

15. AUDIENCE :

Students and staff of Rikkyo University. Also open to the public (free, application not required)

16. PREPARATIONS FOR THE SPEECH :

- 1) Japanese student advisors
 - Each participant will be matched with one Japanese student advisor to practice the speech with.
 - If the applicant has someone in mind, fill in the student's information (student ID, name, phone number, e-mail address) with his/her consent.
 - * **Japanese student Advisor must attend the speech contest on June 22nd.**
 - * Japanese Student advisors must be a Rikkyo University undergraduate/graduate student.
 - When the contestant doesn't have anyone in mind, the CJLE Office will match the contestant with a Japanese student advisor.
- 2) Using the Japanese Language Support Desk
 - Script should be checked at least once at the Japanese Language Support Desk during the period below.
April 29th (Monday) - May 29th (Wednesday)
 - * Contestants may use the Japanese Language Support Desk more than once during or outside of the period above.
 - * What is the Japanese Language Support Desk?
<https://cjle.rikkyo.ac.jp/english/supportdesk/>

17. SUBMISSIONS OF THE COPY OF SPEECH TEXT (SCRIPT) :

Submit your copy of speech text (script) to the address below.

- 1) Submission period
May 30th (Thursday)~June 7th (Friday) 5:00 pm
- 2) How to submit
Script should be sent to nihongo@rikkyo.ac.jp as a Word document or text format.
* Speeches will be compiled with all students speeches and made available after the speech contest.

18. REHEARSAL :

Rehearsal for the speech contest will proceed in mid-June.

19. AGREEMENT:

Application implies your consent on the following matters:

- Pictures of the contest are published on the formal website, the brochure of the CJLE, etc.
- The videos of prize winners are published on the formal website of the CJLE.
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20. ENQUIRIES :

Center for Japanese Language Education Office in the Ikebukuro Campus on the 1st floor in McKim Hall

* Please enquire at the office or by e-mail. nihongo@rikkyo.ac.jp

PROGRAM (Tentative)

12:30	Reception for the contestants and Japanese advisors in the waiting room ※
13:00	Opening
13:00-13:15	Greetings by organizers, etc., Introduction of guests
13:15-15:50	Speeches ※※ (including 10 minutes intermission)
16:00-17:00	Gathering of participants, audience and staff, Commendation ceremony
17:00	Closing

※ The waiting room is available from 11:30am.

※※ For the speech, a microphone will be used. Timers shall provide alert signals. Further details will be informed to the participants individually.