

A Student Handbook
for
EPAS 2024

We're waiting for you!



Okinawa Prefectural Board of Education

Exchange Program
for Asian Students

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EPAS is an educational program organized by the Okinawa Prefectural Board of Education, aimed at promoting cross-cultural and international understanding among high school students in Asia.

Who Can Apply:	High school students from Okinawa(Japan), Indonesia, Thailand, Taiwan, Nepal, the Philippines, Vietnam and others
Program Duration:	Date: Seven days in two months July 13 (Sat), July 25 (Thu), August 1 (Thu), August 8 (Thu), August 15 (Thu), August 22 (Thu), August 31 (Sat) Time: 1:00pm - 2:30 pm and /or 3:00pm - 4:30 pm (JST) 1:00pm - 2:30 pm ▶ Collaborative Exchange Sessions 3:00pm - 4:30 pm ▶ Lecture Sessions The detailed schedule is provided on the last page.
Participants are required to:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Willing to proactively learn and utilize IT devices and online tools.• Able to prepare the necessary internet environment and devices (laptop/tablet/smartphone).• Willing to actively find their role and contribute to group activities.• Motivated to engage actively in interactions in English.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Participants in this program can choose and join one of the following two courses. All activities will be delivered in English.

Lecture Only Course

Main Contents:

- Lectures by experts
- Group discussion among students from various regions during the lectures
- Five days (optional)

Benefits:

- Can attend as many lectures as you like
- Free of charge
- Certificate of Participation

Requirement:

Attend at least one of the five lectures

Full Exchange Course

Main Contents:

- Collaborative exchange sessions
- Lectures by experts & group discussion
- Warm-up sessions
- Opening and closing ceremony
- Final presentation
- Seven days

Benefits:

- Can interact with students as a group and exchange on various topics
- Free of charge
- Certificate of Completion

Requirement:

Attend at least one of the five lectures and all collaborative exchange sessions

The detailed schedule is provided on the last page.

LECTURE SESSION

Participants of either course can choose and attend any of the following five lectures. You may attend as many lectures as you like. Dates and time provided are based on Japanese Standard Time (JST).

Lecture #1

Out-of-the-Box Thinking

Mr. Nobumichi Tosa
President
Artistic Unit Maywa Denki



July 25, Thursday
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

What happens in the mind of someone who creates something entirely new? The developer of Otamatone talks about creativity.

Lecture #2

Win-win Resolution Techniques

Dr. Yuji Uesugi
Professor
School of International Liberal Studies, Waseda University



August 1, Thursday
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

This lecture will introduce a mindset for peaceful communication with friends, family, and partners without mutual compromise.

Lecture #3

How to become a Language Master

Dr. Anchalee Jansem
Dean
Department of Western Languages,
Srinakharinwirot University



August 8, Thursday
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Not only will tips for learning a foreign language be provided, but also the various benefits of learning different languages will be introduced.

Lecture #4

The Power of Visuals

Mr. Yuichi Ishida
Video Creator
Former United Nations Staff



August 15, Thursday
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

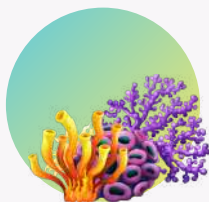
How can you convey your message through video? The instructor will provide direct feedback using the videos you have created!

Lecture #5

Marine Biology

under adjustment

August 22, Thursday
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm



Note

Each Lecture includes:

- Group discussion
- Small task (e.g. to take four photos that express your country and upload them on Slack for Lecture #4)

Information about the task will be announced in advance.

APPLICATION AND CONTACT



◀ Online Application Form

<https://form.jotform.com/241560315377455>

Application deadline: June 21, Friday



◀ EPAS official website

<https://sites.google.com/opac.or.jp/epas2024/about-epasen>



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Schedule

Lecture
Only

Full
Exchange

July 13 Saturday	CC	h	g	B	B	B	B	N/A	Mandatory
July 25 Thursday	CC	h	g	B	B	B	B	N/A	Mandatory
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August 1 Thursday	CC	h	g	B	B	B	B	N/A	Mandatory
	CC	C	g	H	B	B	B	Optional	Optional
August 8 Thursday	CC	h	g	B	B	B	B	N/A	Mandatory
	CC	C	g	H	B	B	B	Optional	Optional
August 15 Thursday	CC	h	g	B	B	B	B	N/A	Mandatory
	CC	C	g	H	B	B	B	Optional	Optional
August 22 Thursday	CC	h	g	B	B	B	B	N/A	Mandatory
	CC	C	g	H	B	B	B	Optional	Optional
August 31 Saturday	CC	h	g	B	B	B	B	N/A	Mandatory
	CC	C	g	H	B	B	B	N/A	Mandatory