



第 32 回 日本語弁論大会

The 32nd Colorado/Wyoming Japanese Speech Contest

The Consulate-General of Japan in Denver and Colorado Japanese Language Education Association (CJLEA) are pleased to announce the 32nd Annual Colorado/Wyoming Japanese Speech Contest on Saturday, November 10, 2018, at the JASC (Japan America Society of Colorado) (1373 Grant St. Denver , 80203).

This annual contest is for Japanese language students in Colorado and Wyoming to demonstrate their language skills.

Categories:

Elementary School: (Skits Only)	Open to all Elementary School students
Junior High School: (Skits Only)	Open to all Junior High School students
High School: (Skits OR Speeches)	Open to all High School students
College I: (Skits Only)	Students who are currently enrolled in the first year Japanese class.
College II: (Speeches Only)	Students who are currently enrolled in the second year Japanese class.
College III: (Speeches Only)	Students who are currently enrolled in the third year Japanese class
College IV: (Speeches Only)	Students who are currently enrolled in the fourth year Japanese class.
College V: (Speeches Only)	All other students.
Heritage: (Speeches Only)	Open to anyone who is learning from CJLEA members (including tutoring) Definition of "Heritage Speakers": <i>The definition of heritage speakers of Japanese is "a student who is raised in a home where Japanese is spoken, who was raised in Japan, who speaks or merely understands Japanese and who is to some degree bilingual in English and Japanese."</i>

Rules:

1. **SKIT:** Students in the Elementary will not be judged. Students in Middle School, High School and College I categories will be judged on their skit performances (cf. skit judging criteria). The skit can be of any topic, but must be students' **original** creation. The length of the skit should be **no more than 5 minutes**. Each entry group must consist of **three to five** students.
2. **SPEECH:** Students in High School Speech, College II, III, IV, V, and Heritage categories will be judged on their speeches delivered in Japanese. Each student must write his/her own speech on **any topic related to Japan** such as Japanese language or culture with minimum assistance from his/her teacher(s) and native speakers. **The speech must be memorized** and should be **no more than 3 minutes**.
3. Only **two** entrants for **each category** will be accepted from a school.
4. In order to fairly assign contestants to a category appropriate for their level of Japanese, it is essential for each contestant to accurately report the level of the Japanese class in which s/he has enrolled in the current (fall) semester/quarter. Please note that student categories are subject to change in accordance with the number and type of applications we receive. Teachers, please advise your students to provide as much information as possible.
5. Prizes will be awarded to those contestants with high scores. The number of awards may vary from category to category, and in some cases, there might not be any awards given in a category.

Online Registration:

For the teachers of minor students (Elementary, Middle and High School students as well as College students who are under 18 years old):

1. Please have each of the student's parent/guardian fill out the **Permission Form of Minors**, and collect the signed forms. (**Permission Form of Minors** is attached in this email.)
2. Please complete the following online registration form below (You are required to upload the signed "Permission Form of Minors" in this site.):
<https://goo.gl/forms/OYT53IE8j6w1qWBC3>
3. Please fill out the **Teacher Confirmation Form** and upload it to the cloud folder, which will be sent by Hisako Schibli later. (**Teacher Confirmation Form** is attached in this email.)

For the teachers of College students who are 18 years old and up

1. Please have each of your students complete **the online registration form** below.

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3. Please fill out the **Teacher Confirmation Form** and upload it to the cloud folder, which will be sent by Hisako Schibli later. (**Teacher Confirmation Form** is attached in this email.)

Deadline:

at 11:59pm on Monday October 29th

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email us.

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We look forward to seeing you all on November 10th!