

Akabane Iwabuchi JHS Japanese Language Class

We teach Japanese for those who need Japanese language lessons. Students come to our class one to three times a week (2 class hours each) according to the students' language ability.

	Morning Class	Afternoon Class
1 st -2 nd period	8:40-10:10 home → Japanese class	Attending students' own class of school
3 rd -4 th period	Attending students' own class of school	
5 th -6 th period		

We teach not only Japanese language but also integrate Japanese and school subjects such as social studies and science. We teach to improve both Japanese and school subjects in order to understand classes of the junior high school. Further, we offer career learning which students think about their future and what to do after graduation.

What kind of students are studying?

- Students just came to Japan and cannot speak Japanese.
- Students who can speak daily conversation but cannot write Kanji, nor read Kanji and school textbooks.
- Students who were born in Japan or came to Japan from childhood and have no problem in speaking Japanese but cannot understand school textbooks or have difficulty in writing long composition.

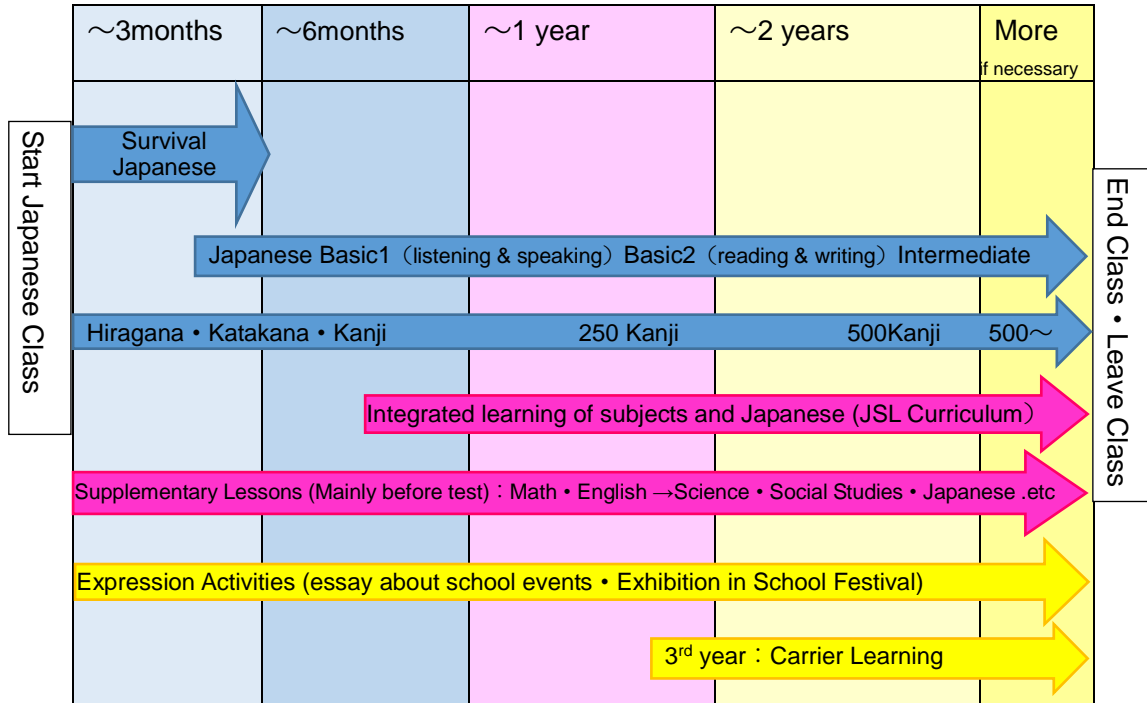
Japanese lessons' classes in Kita City

There are Japanese classes in Kita City which are classes of three primary schools (Horifuna, Nishigaoka, Nishigahara) and of two junior high schools (Akabane Iwabuchi, Meio). The class will be determined according to a junior high school where the student is attending as below.

Akabane Iwabuchi JHSchool Japanese Class	Junior High School of Akabane Iwabuchi • Inatsuke • Ukima • Miyakonokita • Kirigaoka • Jujo Fujimi • Takinogawa Koyo
Meio JHS Japanese Class	Junior High School of Meio • Asuka • Oji Sakura • Tabata • Horifuna

How students are studying?

We teach according to the student's Japanese ability and academic skills.



~3months : Survival (Introduction), 6 class hours/week (3times per week)

Students of Akabane Iwabuchi (5times per week)

- Learn indispensable (survival) Japanese conversation, Hiragana, Katakana and basic Kanji for school life.
- Learn English and calculation of mathematics, which Japanese is not required, in order to participate in usual classes.

~1year: Basic 6→4 class hours/week (3→2 times a week)

Students of Akabane Iwabuchi (5→4times a week)

- Learn Japanese language, Kanji, and grammar in order that a student can do daily conversation and basic reading and writing.
- Learn Kanji aiming to understand basic 250 letters. At the same time learn vocabularies and expressions increasing idioms of Chinese-style reading.
- Learn Japanese by integrating various subjects in order to participate in usual school classes.
- Start integrated learning of Japanese and subjects (JSL curriculum) .
Learn contents of subjects such as mathematics, science, world geography together with Japanese language.

~2year: Intermediate 4→2 class hours/week (2→1times a week)

Students of Akabane Iwabuchi 4→2times a week)

- Learn not only daily conversation but also mainly reading and writing in order to understand various topics.
- Learn Kanji aiming to understand basic 500 letters. Increase idioms of Chinese-style reading to understand classes of the school.
- Through integrated learning of Japanese and subjects (JSL curriculum) learn contents of subjects such as science, social studies together with Japanese language. Study various contents of subjects in Japanese in order to participate classes of the school.

(For third year students)

- Learn about carrier and prepare for the high school entrance examination. Learn how to research type, location, characteristics of high schools, and arrange to visit schools, apply a mock exam or a licensing examination. We support students to find their academic ability or suitable school. Moreover practice interview or writing compositions in Japanese.
- Hold "Report Meeting of Experience about Entrance Examination" in march. Students who took entrance examination give presentation and advice second year students about the examination and what they have learned in Japanese class.

Study session during summer vacation • winter vacation

Hold a study session in summer and winter vacation. We support students' homework, and to learn Kanji and basic calculation of mathematics.

Standard of lecturing period / leaving class

- A student who can participate in the school life, can understand school subjects, and apparently needs not attend more Japanese lessons, will leave the Japanese class.
- Principally the duration of the Japanese lessons are 2 years, but can be extended if the further Japanese lessons are necessary. If the application of the extension is approved, students can continue to receive lessons.

Students

Students related with China, Nepal and other countries are studying.

How to enter into the class

Please consult with the class teacher of your junior high school. The class teacher, the student, parents of the student and the teacher of the Japanese class will have an interview for admission. If that student is approved to enter, please submit the application to the class teacher.

To the teachers 管理職の先生、担任の先生：

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Important points to study Japanese

It will take time to learn Japanese. It is said that 1-2 years will be required to learn daily conversation, 5-7 years to understand classes of the school. So that it will not easy to have a good record in the school, however, continuous effort will make you to speak the Japanese in addition to your native language. Daily effort is quite important.

Meantime, you will forget your native language if you will not use it.

At present, your native language level will be that of primary or junior high school student, so that you must continue to use the native language firmly. A student who can think well in the native language can also improve Japanese rapidly. Please use the native language at home. Please speak various happenings such as school life, about your native country, news. If you have any trouble or questionnaires, please contact with the teacher of Japanese Class.