

KUMAGAYA FRIENDS

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Please be vigilant in preventing the spread of coronavirus disease!

A message from the Public Health Section - Let's be more conscious about the following things in our everyday lives:

- * Wash and sanitize hands often, follow etiquette when coughing and practice other basic hygiene habits
- * Avoid going to school/work and avoid leaving the house when displaying cold-like symptoms such as a fever
- * Businesses and organizations should make it easier for workers to take leave in order to prevent coronavirus spread
- * Avoid unnecessary gatherings and crowds of people
- * Avoid gathering in groups in poorly-ventilated places where people gather in dense crowds
- * Frequently disinfect doorknobs, handrails and other surfaces that people touch
- * Eat a balanced diet and get plenty of sleep

What should I do if I suspect that I've become infected?

Please contact the Prefectural Citizen Support Center (0570-783-770, available 24 hours a day) or the COVID Returnee/Contacted Individual Consultation Center (Kumagaya Health Center, 048-523-2811) and see a doctor at the medical practice that you are directed to.

For more information on coronavirus 2019, please visit the prefecture website or city website.

Kumagaya City website



Saitama Prefecture website



Japanese class and Homestay Program cancellation notice



As a precaution against the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), the 2020 KIFA general meeting's decisions will be made through written resolutions. In addition, the following events organized by the KIFA have been canceled or postponed.

Canceled:

- * Japanese class for 5th, 12th and 19th of April
- * The 28th Annual Junior High School/High School Homestay Program
- * The 2020 KIFA social event

Postponed:

- * "First time" English conversation lessons
- * Japanese volunteer training course

Please be aware that further events and classes for May and beyond, including Japanese classes, may also be canceled or postponed in order to ensure that everyone can attend our events safely. Please confirm whether events and classes are being held or canceled by visiting the following websites or by calling the KIFA office at the Public Relations Section of Kumagaya City Hall.

- * Kumagaya City website: <http://www.city.kumagaya.lg.jp/>
- * KIFA website: <http://www.k-ifa.jp>
- * KIFA office phone number: 048-524-1111 (extension 220)

City population (as of 1st April 2020): 196,223
Foreign resident population: 3,622

