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# Has your child's school enrollment notification arrived?

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At the end of January 2025, the City sent school enrollment notifications (入学通知書 *nyūgaku tsūchi-sho*) to parents and guardians of children with Japanese citizenship who will begin elementary or junior high school this April.

The notification tells you which school your child will attend and when. Keep it in a safe place and submit it to your child's designated school on April 1 (enrollment day, not entrance ceremony day).

If you have not received your notification or have lost it, please contact the School Affairs Division of the Municipal Board of Education (see below).

# children with non-Japanese citizenship

If you would like to have your child attend a municipal elementary or junior high school beginning April 2025, please contact the School Affairs Division of the Municipal Board of Education (see below). You do not need to do this if you have already applied.

#### If you have moved

- If you have moved to a different place in Hiroshima City
  - If you register your change of address no later than March 14 (Friday), the City will send a school enrollment notification to your new address.
  - If you register on or after March 17 (Monday), you must go to the Citizens' Affairs Division (Shimin Ka) of your local ward office or branch office to receive your notification.
- If you have moved outside Hiroshima City

Contact the board of education for your new neighborhood.

## Enrolling your child in a national, prefectural, or private school

You will need a **letter of acceptance** (入学承諾書 *nyūgaku shōdaku-sho*) issued by the school your child will attend. Submit this and the enrollment notification (入学通知書 *nyūgaku tsūchi-sho*) to the

School Affairs Division of the Municipal Board of Education (see below) or the Citizens' Affairs Division (*Shimin Ka*) of your ward or branch office. You can also submit these to the elementary school written on the enrollment notification, or to your child's current elementary school.

#### Children with disabilities

If your child has special educational needs due to disability, please consult with one of the following:

♣ Counseling Center for Youth (Seishōnen Sōgō Sōdan Sentā)

Address: 1-4-15 Kokutaiji-mach, Naka-ku Tel. 082-504-2197 // Fax 082-504-2142 Hours: Monday to Friday 9 am-5 pm

♣ Counseling Center for Youth (Branch Office) (Seishonen Sogo Sodan Sentā Bunshitsu)

Address: 2-15-55 Hikari-machi, Higashi-ku Tel. 082-264-0422 // Fax 082-264-0436 Hours: Monday to Friday 9 am-5pm

#### Changing schools

If you have a valid reason why your child cannot attend their designated school (e.g., your family is moving within Hiroshima City after April), please consult the School Affairs Division of the Municipal Board of Education (Tel 082-504-2975).

### Financial assistance for schooling

The City can provide financial assistance for schooling, such as for the cost of school supplies, school lunch, school excursions, etc. In order to receive this assistance, there are certain criteria you must fulfil and there is an income cap. For more information, including requirements, please consult the School Affairs Division of the Municipal Board of Education or the school where your child attends.

#### Who can apply for this financial assistance?

- ① Parents and guardians of children who are in a municipal elementary school, junior high school, secondary school (former curriculum), or school for special needs education (elementary and junior high school departments) in Hiroshima City
- 2 Parents and guardians who reside in Hiroshima City and their children attend:
  - ②-A
    A municipal elementary school, junior high school, or secondary school (former curriculum) outside of Hiroshima city
  - ②-B
    A national, prefectural or private elementary school, junior high school, or secondary school (former curriculum)

The category of financial assistance that parents and guardians can receive depends on the following conditions. For further information, please consult your child's school.

#### Conditions:

- Whether you are receiving public welfare (seikatsu hogo)
- Whether your child is in a school for special needs education
- Whether you fall under category ① and live in outside of Hiroshima city
- Whether you fall under category ② (②-A or ②-B)

## Inquiries:

- Municipal schools
- School Affairs Division, Municipal Board of Education (Kyōiku linkai Gakuji Ka)

Tel. 082-504-2469 Fax 082-504-2328