

16. Tenryu High School, Hamamatsu Kohoku High School Sakuma Branch

Rediscovering the Charm of Tenryu and Efforts to Revitalize the Region

Working in partnership with the local community: Tenryu Lab's efforts

[Tenryu High School Futamata Campus]

Tenryu Lab was established by four volunteer students in February 2021 as a base for thinking about local people and the region away from school. The aim is for high school students to take on the local community's issues as their own, rediscover the appeal of Tenryu, and have fun solving social challenges in Tenryu.

Since its establishment, we have asked Tetsuya Tsuchida of Tenryu Design Office to cooperate with Tenryu Lab's activities as our school's regional collaboration coordinator. In the future, we would like to think about the future of the region together with the people living in the Tenryu area.

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The school-designed 'Local Community Studies' class working in collaboration with local residents, government, and universities.

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At our school, 2nd and 3rd year students in the Regional Comprehensive Type Course study the school-designated subject, 'Local Community Studies'. In 2022, in the 'Local Community Studies' class 3rd year students put the following into practice.

-Interacting with a local kindergarten by developing and maintaining abandoned forests and utilizing scrap materials

-Developing and selling products with local businesses as a practice of sixth-sector industrialization (joint project with main school)

-Creating pamphlets for local shops to build a connected community (created in collaboration with Tenryu High School's 'Tenryu Lab')

The students also reported on their activities at the Hamamatsu City 'City Relations Citizen Exchange Conference,' which considered the potential of mountainous and hilly areas.



Students making Gohei mochi



Students playing with toys made from scrap material