

# Basic Policies for Promoting Japanese Language Education for Foreign Residents in Shizuoka Prefecture (● . 2025)

The number of foreign residents has been increasing not only in Shizuoka but across Japan. In response, the Japanese government has been developing policies and programs to address the needs of these residents. With this growing population in mind, promoting Japanese language education for foreign residents has become more important than ever. Recognizing this, Shizuoka Prefecture has developed the 'Basic Policy for Promoting Japanese Language Education'.

Basic Plans for the Promotion of Japanese Language Education		Prefectural Measures for the Promotion of Japanese Language Education	
G o a l	Promoting Japanese language education in order to create a thriving society that respects diverse cultures	<b>For Children</b> Ensure adequate educational opportunities to equip them with the tools to shape their future <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facilitate student enrollment</li> <li>Provide support for educational institutes and staff</li> <li>Disseminate information in multiple languages</li> <li>Disseminate school information to guardians</li> </ul>	<b>For International Students</b> Help support international students so they can thrive within Shizuoka Prefecture long term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide Japanese Language education opportunities to facilitate working and living in Japan</li> <li>Employment matching with companies in the prefecture</li> </ul>
	<b>&lt;Plan of Action by the Prefecture&gt;</b> Develop a Japanese language education system across the entire prefecture  <b>&lt;Expected Roles of Each Sector&gt;</b> <b>Municipalities:</b> Promote Japanese language learning within the region  <b>Companies:</b> Provide opportunities for foreign employees to learn Japanese  <b>Organizations:</b> Work together with municipalities and the prefecture to promote Japanese Language Education  <b>Universities and Language Schools:</b> Provide Japanese language education that leads to employment or higher education  <b>Residents of the Prefecture:</b> Participate in creating a multicultural community where everyone can live together in harmony Foreign Residents ▶ Learn Japanese and get involved in the community Japanese Citizens ▶ Participate in local Japanese Classes Use Easy Japanese (Yasashi Nihongo)	<b>For Workers</b> Provide support for foreign workers so they, in turn, can contribute to corporate revitalization and growth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Providing information on Japanese language instructors, learning materials, and other resources</li> <li>Informing employees about the Worker's Charter and their rights in the workplace</li> </ul>	<b>Japanese Education in the Region</b> Promote Japanese language education in communities to create a society where everyone can understand one another and live together as an inclusive community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide support for Japanese language education in municipalities</li> <li>Reduce the amount of areas lacking Japanese language education</li> <li>Increase the number of Japanese language teachers</li> </ul>
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