

## Expansion of Child Allowance System

The child allowance system will partially change following the Oct 2024 installment. **Inquiries:** Child and Family Division ☎435-1219

### Expanded Applicability

The allowance will now apply to children up to the end of the fiscal year in which they turn 18.

### No more income limits

Income limits and special allowances will be removed, making everyone applicable.

### Payment Increase

From 0-2 years old (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> child) ¥ 15,000/month

From 3 - high school (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> child) ¥ 10,000/month

From 0 - high school (3<sup>rd</sup> child & above) ¥ 30,000/month

※Children of university age (up to the FY in which they turn 22) can count as the 1<sup>st</sup> child in calculations, making you applicable for the multi-child allowance.

### New Payment Schedule

Payments will now be made 6 times (formerly 3) a year. The amount for each period will be distributed on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of even numbered months. Starting from Oct 2024 (the installment for Jun to Sep), notifications of payment will no longer be sent by mail.

### Please apply if:

You have not been receiving the child allowance due to income limitations.

You are not receiving the child allowance, but have dependent children under 18 (the FY in which they turn 18).

You are currently receiving the allowance, but have a total of 3 or more children, with some being of university age (the fiscal years in which they turn 18-22).

Find more details on how to apply from the city website (ID : 1058444)



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## J-Alert Test Broadcast

**Date:** Aug 28 (Wed), 1100~

**Info:** "Koreha J-arato no tesuto desu" (this is a J-Alert test) will be broadcasted simultaneously over the Disaster Management Communication Network.

J-alert is an early warning system that uses satellites to convey information about emergencies, including earthquakes, tsunamis, and ballistic missiles. ※Any cancellations will be announced on the city website.

**Inquiries:** Disaster Prevention Division ☎435-1199

## Tax and Insurance Premium Deadlines

### Sep 2 (Mon)

#### Advanced Elderly Medical Insurance (period 2)

**Inquiries** Insurance General Affairs Division ☎ 435-1062

#### National Health Insurance (Period 3)

**Inquiries** National Health Insurance and Pension Division ☎ 435-1214

#### Nursing Care Insurance (period 3)

**Inquiries** Nursing Care Insurance Division ☎ 435-1334

#### Municipal/Prefectural Inhabitants Tax & Forest Environment Tax (regular collection - period 2)

Ensure timely payments to avoid penalties. Consider using bank account transfers for payments. Apply at financial institutions or online (select institutions only).

**Inquiries** General Affairs Division ☎ 435-1038

## Employment Support Seminar for Women

### ① Excel (beginner)

**Date:** From 1000-1500 on Sep 1 (Sun), 7 (Sat), 8 (Sun) **Location:** Aiai Center (29 Kobitomachi)

**Details:** Excel (beginner)

**Apply:** from Aug 11 (Sun) – 18 (Sun) via QR code.



### ② Word & PowerPoint

**Date:** From 1000-1500 on Sep 29 (Sun), Oct 5 (Sat), 6 (Sun) **Location:** Aiai Center (29

Kobitomachi) **Details:** Word (beginner, 2 days), PowerPoint (basics, 1 day)

**Apply:** from Aug 11 (Sun) – 18 (Sun) via QR code.



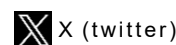
### Both ① & ②

**Applicability:** Females who are seeking work, can participate in all three sessions, and have basic computer skills (know how to type etc.) **Capacity:** first 10 people to apply. **Fee:** ¥ 2000 (for teaching materials) **Inquiries:** Gender Equality Promotion Division ☎436-8704

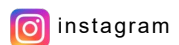
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# The 32<sup>nd</sup> Japanese Speech Contest



Sponsored by the Kokusai Volunteer Network of Wakayama (KNOW)

Date and Time: Oct 5 (Sat), 2024 from 13:00

Location: 14<sup>th</sup> floor, Wakayama City Hall, Large Meeting Hall

(大会議室)

Requirements: Must not be a native Japanese speaker

Participation Cost: Free

The contest is divided into recitation and speech categories. Please choose the category you will compete in at the time of application. An award certificate and prize will be presented to winners of the competition. There is also a participation prize!

## Recitation Category

\*Choose one of four designated texts to recite. Recitation requires contestants to perform a text from memory.

\*Before applying, please come to the KNOW Office (Wakayama City Hall, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, International Affairs Office) to receive the designated texts.

## Speech Category

\*Write and perform your own speech. There is no particular theme.

\*Please make your speech 3-5 minutes long.

\*When you present your speech, please avoid looking at your script.

## Application Process

Please fill out the application form and submit it by Sep 20 (Fri). For those competing in the speech division, please submit a copy of your speech at the time of application.

Applications can be submitted in person, or via mail, fax & e-mail.

No entries will be accepted on the day of the event.



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