



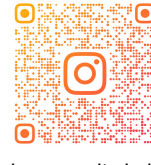
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Pick Up 01 Expansion of the Child-Rearing Allowance

Inquiries: Child and Family Division, ☎ 435-1219

Starting Nov 2024, updates to child-rearing allowances for single-parent households and similar families will take effect. First updated payment: **Jan 10, 2025** (for Nov-Dec).

Higher Allowances for 3rd+ Children

The allowance for the 3rd+ child will now match the 2nd child.

	Full Payment	Partial Payment
1 st Child	¥ 45,500	¥ 45,490 ~ ¥ 10,740
2 nd	¥ 10,750	¥ 10,740 ~ ¥ 5,380
3 rd +	Same as 2 nd child	

Increased Income Limits

Higher limits for full/partial eligibility:

Dependents	Full Payment	Partial Payment
0	<¥690,000	<¥2,080,000
1	<¥1,070,000	<¥2,460,000
2	<¥1,450,000	<¥2,840,000

※Increased by ¥ 380,000/dependent for the third dependent and above.

New Calculation Formula for Partial Payments

First Child: ¥45,490 - [Income - Income Limit] × 0.025

Second Child+: ¥10,740 - [Income - Income Limit] × 0.0038561

Pick Up 02 Enroll without changing your address! Enroll/Transfer to Specially Designated Small-Scale Schools (Kada Elem. & Mid. School)

Kada Elementary and Middle School (both specially designated small-scale schools) offer unique educational experiences in a nature-rich environment. Students from anywhere in Wakayama City can enroll without moving their residence to the catchment area.

- **Enrollment Period:** Apr 1, 2025
- **Grades:** Elem. Gr. 1 – Mid. Gr. 1

※Special needs classes are not accepting applications.
※Chosen by lottery if applications exceed capacity.

- **Application Period:** Feb 3 (Mon) – Feb 14 (Fri) on weekdays
- **Inquiries:** Education Support Division, ☎ 435-1139

Come visit and see for yourself!

- **School Tours:** Jan 20 (Mon) – Feb 7 (Fri) on weekdays
- ※ *Contact the appropriate school to arrange a tour:*
Kada Elementary School, ☎ 459-0049
Kada Junior High School, ☎ 459-0004

Celebrate Your Coming-of-Age Ceremony!

Jan 5, 2025 (Sun)!

- **Time:** 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM (Doors open at 1:00 PM; close at 3:00 PM)
- **Venue:** Wakayama Prefectural Culture Hall
- **Eligibility:** Individuals born between Apr 2, 2004, and Apr 1, 2005

※Registered Wakayama residents (as of Dec 1, 2024) will receive an invitation postcard in early Dec. If you have moved out of Wakayama City due to school or work and wish to attend, please fill out the 2025 Coming-of-Age Ceremony Participation Form available on the city website (ID: 1013274) and bring it with you on the day of the event.

- **Inquiries:** Lifelong Learning Division ☎ 435-1193



City Website

Health Tips: Prevent Norovirus Food Poisoning

Norovirus outbreaks are common in winter. Protect yourself by understanding the symptoms and following these prevention tips.

Symptoms:

Incubation period: 24–48 hours

Common symptoms: Vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain

Recovery: Usually within a few days

Prevention Tips:

Wash hands thoroughly and frequently.

Ensure foods are fully cooked to the center.

Sanitize cooking utensils with bleach or boiling water.

Inquiries: Healthy Lifestyle Division, ☎ 488-5111

Nutrition Class

Date & Time: Jan 17 (Fri), 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Theme: “Enjoying Winter Vegetables” (lecture and a simple cooking activity with tasting)

Capacity: Approx. 10 people (lottery, first-time participants prioritized)

Items to Bring: Apron, kerchief (cooking), mask, hand towel, pen, and water bottle (optional)

Application Deadline: Jan 7 (Tue) via phone

Venue & Contact: West Health Center, ☎ 455-4181

Tax & Insurance Payment Deadlines

Dec 25 (Wed)

Advanced Elderly Medical Insurance Premiums (6th installment): Insurance General Affairs Division, ☎ 435-1062

National Health Insurance Premiums (7th installment): National Health Insurance and Pension Division, ☎ 435-1214

Nursing Care Insurance Premiums (7th installment): Nursing Care Insurance Section, ☎ 435-1334

Jan 6 (Mon)

City/Prefectural Inhabitants Tax & Forest Environment Tax (4th installment) (general collection)

Please make payments by the due date. You can also pay via bank transfer.

Inquiries: Tax Payment Section, ☎ 435-1038

Public Housing Applications

Apply for public housing in Wakayama City! Check the details below for application forms, submission dates, and available properties.

Application Form Distribution Dates: Dec 2 (Mon) – Dec 10 (Tue)

Location: 30 Jusanbancho, Sakanao Building, 1F (Wakayama Prefecture Housing Supply Corp.)

Online: Download forms from the Wakayama Prefecture Housing Supply Corp. website.

Application Submission

Dates: Dec 9 (Mon) – Dec 10 (Tues)

Contact: Wakayama Prefecture Housing Supply Corp., ☎ 494-7471

Note: Housing availability may change. Refer to the recruitment brochure for final details.

BE:CYCLE Photo Contest

Take part in a photo contest celebrating the beauty of Wakayama by exploring the Kihoku area on bicycle.

Submission Deadline: Mar 16, 2025 (Sun)

Locations: As listed on the Wakayama City Cycling Map

How to Participate: Via Instagram

Inquiries: Shikinosato Food Hunter Park, ☎ 499-4370

Details available on the official website.



Wakayama UNESCO Association: New Year's Eve Bell-Ringing Ceremony

Date & Time: Dec 31 (Tue), from 11:30 PM

Venue: Bell Tower, Okayama (Fukiage 1-chome, 4-19)

Details: Ring the bell to welcome the New Year in a traditional and meaningful way.

Inquiries: UNESCO Association Office (Lifelong Learning Division), ☎ 435-1138 (*Weekdays only*)

First New Year's Climb to Wakayama Castle Keep

Be one of the first 1,000 visitors to receive a commemorative gift (clay pottery)!

Date & Time: Jan 1 (Wed), 6:00 AM–9:00 AM

Free admission during these hours. Regular operations (with admission fees) resume after 9:00 AM.

Inquiries: Wakayama Castle Maintenance & Planning Division, ☎ 435-1044

46th Annual New Year's Walk & Run Event

Date & Time: Jan 1 (Wed), Opening Ceremony at 7:00 AM (*Held in light rain, but cancelled in extreme weather; Free participation*)

Registration: Starting from 6:30 AM at Sunanomaru.

Medal exchange tickets will be distributed. The first 2,000 participants will receive a commemorative medal. **Routes:**

Family Course: Approx. 1.7 km

Fitness Course: Approx. 2.2 km

Inquiries: Sports Promotion Division, ☎ 435-1364 (*More details available on the city website, ID: 1018316*)

Property Name	Type	Layout	Units Available	Monthly Rent (¥)
Byutsutsujigaoka	General	3LDK	3	30,800–60,500
Raburi Matsue	Seniors	2DK	1	22,200–43,700
	General	3LDK	2	29,100–60,400
Fukiya-cho	General	2LDK	1	26,300–49,600
Yakushubata	General	2LDK	2	26,800–52,600
Kiwa Station	General	3DK	2	20,400–43,600
Horidome	General	3DK	1	23,500–46,100
Mukai	General (Singles OK) (out-of-city child-rearing households OK)	3DK	2	17,800–32,600
	For Physically Disabled	2DK	1	16,600–29,700
Shobugaoka	General (Singles OK) (out-of-city child-rearing households OK)	3DK	1	15,500–29,300

Holiday Notices

The city hall will be closed from Dec 30th (Mon) to Jan 3rd (Fri)

We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

Please note that some services may have different holiday schedules. Please check the city website (ID:1025900) for details. Inquiries: Wakayama City Hall ☎ 432-0001 (Main Line)

General City Hall Services (exceptions apply)

Year-End Open until Dec 27 (Fri)

New Year Resumes Jan 6 (Mon)

Document Issuance at Convenience Stores

Services include residence certificates, seal registration certificates, family registers, and tax certificates.

Year-End Open until Dec 27 (Fri)

New Year Resumes Jan 6 (Mon)

※ My Number Card and PIN are required for this service.

Funeral Services

Document Processing: Open as usual during holidays.

Crematorium/Funeral Hall: Closed Jan 1 (Wed).

Service Desks for Family Register, Seal Registration, and Resident Registration

Locations:

City Hall (Citizens Division, 1st Floor)

Service Centers: East, Kasei, Kanan, Kahoku, Chuo, Kita, Minami.

Year-End Open until Dec 27 (Fri).

Closed Dec 28 (Sat) and Dec 29 (Sun).

Open Dec 30 (Mon) until 12:00 PM.

New Year Regular operations resume Jan 6 (Mon).

Notes:

- Jan 5 (Sun): Only residence certificates and similar documents will be issued (no seal registration or address changes).
- My Number services unavailable Dec 28 (Sat) – Jan 5 (Sun).
- Memorial Photo Booth: Open daily 8:30 AM–5:15 PM during the holidays.
- Bereavement Corner: Closed Dec 28 (Sat) – Jan 5 (Sun).

Holiday Closures for City Facilities ※(For more details, visit the city website [ID: 1000070].)

Facility	Phone	Closure	Facility	Phone	Closure
Wakayama Castle Keep ※ Jan 1: Open 6:00 AM–5:30 PM (last entry 5:00 PM); regular hours resume Jan 2.	422-8979	Dec 29–31	Community Centers	—	Dec 29–Jan 3
Wakayama History Center (2F)	435-1044	Dec 29–31	Civic Library West Branch Note: The main library operates year-round.	455-3210	Dec 29–Jan 3
Nishinomaru Garden (Momijidani)	—	Dec 29–31	Shikinosato Park	499-4370	Dec 31–Jan 2
Ohashi-Roka	—	Dec 29–31	Nishinosho Fureai-no-Sato Herb Garden	456-3533	Dec 29–Jan 3
Koshoan Teahouse	—	Dec 29–Jan 3	Golf Course	456-3566	
Oka Park Teahouse	—	Dec 29–Jan 3	Kanan General Gym	477-4009	Dec 29–Jan 3
Children's Science Museum	432-0002	Dec 29–Jan 3	Civic Gym	453-2007	Dec 29–Jan 3
Municipal Museum	423-0003	Dec 29–Jan 3	Higashi Park Gym	474-3331	Dec 29–Jan 3
Ariyoshi Sawako Memorial Museum	488-9880	Dec 30–Jan 3	Matsushita Gym	444-8274	Dec 29–Jan 3
Hirai History Room	488-9111	Dec 29–Jan 3	Civic Heated Swimming Pool	455-8022	Dec 29–Jan 7
Wakayama-jo Hall	432-1212	Dec 29–Jan 3	Disaster Learning Center	423-0119	Dec 28–Jan 4
Wakanoura Ashibe-an	435-1048	Dec 29–31	Regional Frontier Center	402-1213	Dec 29–Jan 3
Wakanoura Art Cube	445-1188	Dec 29–Jan 3	Johoku Park Underground Parking Lot	433-8141	Jan 1–3
			Kiwa Station Front Bicycle Storage	422-4100	Dec 29–Jan 3

Waste Collection and Disposal Information

Inquiries: • **Waste Management Division:** ☎ 435-1352 • **Aogishi Energy Center:** ☎ 428-4153 • **Aogishi Stockyard:** ☎ 435-5560 • **North Office:** ☎ 471-1503 • **West Office:** ☎ 453-0253 • **Oversized Waste Collection Center:** ☎ 0570-666-202

No household or recyclable waste collection will occur from Jan 1 (Wed) to Jan 5 (Sun).

Tip: Register for the Wakayama City LINE Official Account to receive waste collection day notifications. Visit the city website (ID: 1028937) for more details.

General Household Waste Collection Schedule

Day of Course	Last Collection of 2024	First Collection of 2025
Mon/Thu	Dec 30 (Mon)	Jan 6 (Mon)
Tue/Fri	Dec 31 (Tue)	Jan 7 (Tue)



Place garbage at the collection point by **8:00 AM on the scheduled day.**

Recycle Collection (Cans & Bottles; Paper, Cloth & PET Bottles)

Course	Dec. 25 (Wed) (4 th Wed)	Dec. 28 (Sat) (advanced collection for 1 st Wed)	Jan. 8 (Wed) (2 nd Wed)
A	Paper, Cloth & PET Bottles	Cans & Bottles	Paper, Cloth & PET Bottles
B	Cans & Bottles	Paper, Cloth & PET Bottles	Cans & Bottles

A: Cans & Bottles on 1st & 3rd Weds; Paper, Cloth & PET Bottles on 2nd, 4th, & 5th Weds

B: Cans & Bottles: 2nd & 4th Weds; Paper, Cloth & PET Bottles on 1st, 3rd, & 5th Weds

Oversized Waste Collection Reservations (Oversized Waste Collection Center)

Reception Hours: Mon–Fri, 8:30 AM–4:00 PM (Excl. Hol.)

Year-End Until Dec 27 (Fri), 4:00 PM

※ Phone requests starting Dec 23 (Mon) will be scheduled for collection next year

New Year Resumes Jan 6 (Mon) as usual

※ For fee-based collection services by licensed general waste collection operators, please contact operator directly. Details can be found on the city website (ID: 1002053).

Collection of Small Animal Remains (Dogs, Cats, etc.)

【Telephone Collection Requests】

Reception Hours: Mon–Fri, 8:30 AM–4:00 PM (Excl. Hol.)

Year-End **Oversized Waste Collection Center:** Until Dec 27 (Fri)
Aogishi Energy Center: Dec 28, 30, 31 until 12:00 PM

New Year **Oversized Waste Collection Center:** Resumes from Jan 6
Aogishi Energy Center: Resumes Jan 4 as usual

【Direct Drop-Off of Small Animal Remains】

Reception Hours: Mon–Sat, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Year-End **Aogishi Energy Center:** Until Dec 31 (Tue), 5:00 PM

New Year **Aogishi Energy Center:** Resumes Jan 4 (Sat) as usual

Self-Disposal of Waste at Aogishi Stockyard (Next to Aogishi Clean Center)

Drop-Off Hours: Mon–Sat, 9:00 AM–3:30 PM

Year-End Until Dec 30 (Mon)

New Year Resumes Jan 4 (Sat) as usual

【Self-Disposal Guidelines】

※Refer to the city website (ID: 1019037) for waste acceptance criteria before disposal.

- ① Expect heavy traffic at the end of the year; early drop-offs are recommended.
- ② Separate combustible, non-combustible, and recyclable waste before bringing them to the facility.
- ③ Bring identification for both the waste generator and the transporter, as well as proof of the waste's origin.
- ④ Sunday Drop-Off Exception: Disposal is available on Dec 29 (Sun), 9:00 AM–3:30 PM (excluding business-related waste).

Holiday Emergency Medical Services

Wakayama City Nighttime and Holiday Emergency Medical Center

☎ 425-8181

Department	Service Period
Internal Medicine & Pediatrics	Dec 29 (Sun) – Jan 3 (Fri): 10:00 AM–12:00 PM, 1:00 PM–5:00 PM, 7:00 PM–6:00 AM
	Jan 4 (Sat): 7:00 PM–6:00 AM
Otolaryngology	Dec 29 (Sun) – Jan 3 (Fri): 1:00 PM–5:00 PM, 7:00 PM–6:00 AM
	Jan 4 (Sat): 7:00 PM–12:00 AM
Dentistry ☎428-3588	Dec 29 (Sun) – Jan 4 (Sat): 10:00 AM–12:00 PM, 1:00 PM–3:00 PM



(5-2-15 Fukiage, Wakayama City)

A helpful resource when you don't need an ambulance, but are unsure where to go for medical care.

Wakayama Prefecture Emergency Medical Information Center

☎ 426-1199

(Available 24/7, including weekends and holidays)

