

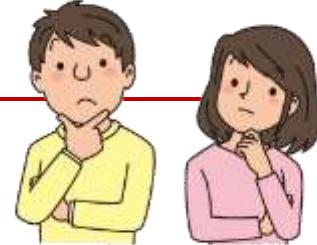


Car tax should be paid until the deadline

When payment is delayed it will be severely punished

There are about 50 types of tax such as income tax and resident tax. Each tax is paid to your local tax office or prefectures and cities where you live.

Among the tax you should pay to the prefecture, there is a car tax, which you should pay when you have a car. When you own a car, you should pay car tax every May, using a tax-paper which is sent to the person who owns a car.



►What is car tax?

Person who owns a car should pay car tax every year.

Car tax is paid to maintain roads. Roads are maintained by tax you paid.

►Who pays the tax?

Person who owns a car on April 1 should pay the car tax. You should pay the tax when you buy a car and then a tax-paper is sent to you next year. Amount of car tax differ according to the type of the vehicle such as passenger vehicles or trucks, usage of the vehicle and cubic capacity of the vehicle (inhaled air of the vehicle and amount of gasoline), and age of service. You should check it once.

►Method and date to pay the tax

Pay the car tax using “tax paper” sent every May until the noted limit (May 31 in this year). You can pay the car tax at convenience stores or windows of financial institutions (banks).

►When you do not pay car tax

When you do not pay tax until the deadline, you should pay arrears in addition to the amount of ordinary tax.

If you keep your tax unpaid, a reminder (letter to remind you to pay tax) is sent to you. If you don't pay the tax yet, the country, prefecture or the municipality will pay from your bank accounts forcibly. This is the procedure called seizure, decided by law. If you don't pay the tax, such strict punishment is proceeded in some cases.

►For details refer to “Prefectural tax in Saitama (about car tax)”

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※ If you have a bike or a light automobile, you should pay light automobile tax to your municipality. For the light weight automobile tax, contact your local municipality office.

Let's take Japanese Language Proficiency Test



Have you ever thought how good your Japanese language is?

In FICEC there are some people who are learning Japanese and passed N2 or N3 test and there are also learners who passed even N1 test.

■ Date of test: **July 7 (Sun.)**



■ Application:

- Internet (March 22 to April 22 (until 5:00)

<http://info.jees-jlpt.jp/application/>

- Mail (March 22 to April 22)

■ Contact

Japanese Language Proficiency Test Application Center 03-6686-2974

■ Test application also received at FICEC Japanese learning class

Entering junior high school in Japan

A night junior high school, which opens lesson at night starts in Kawaguchi-shi from April 2019. If you want to study at school in Japan, if you want graduation certificate of junior high school to enter high school, or if you want to study in Japan, you can study in this junior high school.

Person who has status of residence, lives in Saitama, and is 16 years or more, can enter. You can study the same course as the ordinary public junior high school.

Explanatory meeting will be held but the schedule is not yet settled.

<https://www.pref.saitama.lg.jp/f2213/yakanchugakusetumeikai.htm>



Experience of the first writing of the New Year

In the Japanese language class of FICEC, we experience the first writing of the New Year with an ink brush every January. It is an artistic experience.



FICEC International Children's Club



◆ Japanese language lesson and support study for children who have root in foreign countries by volunteer staffs at the International Children's Club

◆ If there are children who do not understand Japanese or cannot understand learning at school and who needs support, contact us.

○ Studying time: Every Saturday 9:00 to 12:00

○ Place: Fujimino International Cultural Exchange Center
(5 minute-walk from west exit of Kamifukuoka Station)

○ Contact: **049-256-4290**, Yamahata
(10:00 to 16:00 Mon. to Fri.)

Can you read letters from schools or city hall?

New fiscal year starts from this April. When new school year starts various letters come from school for example "notice of class observation day", "notice of health checkup" and "notice of collecting of money" in Japanese. If you leave it as it is because you don't understand it, your children will be confused.

If you cannot read letters, don't understand the contents, or don't know what to do, come to Japanese language class of FICEC. Let's study Japanese and think what to do together.



In Japanese language class, you can learn what you want to learn. You can read the letters from the city and schools by yourself if you keep studying Japanese.

New "Immigration Control and Refugee Recognition Act" starts from this April

Detail of the contents will be explained in next Information Fujimino published in May.