

## The Lee Soo Hyun Youth Exchange Program

Under this program, Korean high school students who are studying Japanese in Korea or those with an interest in Japanese society and culture are invited to Japan. The participants obtain a deeper understanding of Japanese language, society, and culture. The program also provides Korean students with the opportunity to interact with young Japanese students of the same generation. The program was established to honor the actions of Lee Soo Hyun, a Korean exchange student who died in 2001 as he attempted to save the life of a passenger who had fallen onto the tracks at JR Shin-Okubo Station in Tokyo.

### ◆ Program Duration

2 weeks (2021 Academic Year: January)

### ◆ Eligible Participants

Groups of high school students from Korea studying the Japanese language during the current academic year.

※Based on recommendations by each school principal, participants for this program are selected by the Japan Foundation (Seoul Institute), the Consulate-General of Japan in Jeju, the Korean Japanese Association, the Korea-Japan Cultural Exchange Association in Busan, and the Korea University Sejong Campus and Department of Japanese Language and Literature.

They were moved online in 2020 Academic Year and 2021 Academic year.

### ◆ Program Content

#### 1. Japanese-Language Class

To deepen students' understanding of Japanese language, society, and culture and help them acquire useful Japanese-language skills for exchange by using the Japanese they have learned so far, classes such as the following will be offered:

Japanese Geography and Kyoto Guide, Kansai Dialect Guide, Japanese-High-School Life, Home-Visit Guide, Japanese Onomatopoeia, Japanese Experience Presentation and its Preparation.

#### 2. Exchange Program

(1) To visit a Japanese high school and interaction with Japanese students to learn the values of Japanese people of the same generation.

(2) To have exchange events with Japanese and Korean university students, and to learn tips on how to become a bridge between Japan and Korea.

#### 3. Cultural and Social Experience Program

- (1) Home Visit: to have a brief home-stay with the family of a student from a Japanese high-school so that the participants experience daily life in Japan.
- (2) Cultural Experience: to experience several aspects of traditional Japanese culture.
- (3) Study Trips: to learn about the diversity of Japan through study trips to Tokyo and Kyoto.