

The 14th Japanese Speech Contest for Secondary Schools (2017)

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. General

- 1.1 The speech theme is “If Things Could Talk...” but students are to create their own appropriate title. The speech must be within 5 minutes' length.
- 1.2 The contest is divided into 2 categories, namely:-
 - (a) Public School Learners (for students studying Japanese in a Residential or Day school); and
 - (b) Private Learners (for self-study or students studying Japanese in a private secondary school or a language center).
- 1.3 Each application must be endorsed by:-
 - (a) the school's principal; **AND**
 - (b) the student's legal guardian.
- 1.4 Only **ONE** application from each school will be accepted.
- 1.5 Students must submit their manuscript together with a completed application form and a passport-sized photo before the stipulated dates to the Secretariat in-charge. The manuscript submitted must be an original work of the student and it must not have previously been presented in other contest or event. Manuscript may be handwritten or typewritten using the Japanese style manuscript paper (20x20 characters).
- 1.6 The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur reserves the right to publish or display any student's manuscripts, names and pictures for publicity purposes.

2. Contestant's Eligibility

- 2.1 Open to Malaysian students who meet all the following criteria:-
- 2.2 They are between the age of 15 and 18 as of 15th June 2017.
- 2.3 They are not planning to visit Japan between April 2017 and March 2018 as well as NOT have stayed in Japan more than 7 days between the duration from 16th June 2012 until 15th June 2017.
- 2.4 Did not receive compulsory education in Japan for more than 3 years.
- 2.5 Whose mother tongue is not Japanese.

3. Transportation & Accommodation

- 3.1 Contest finalists (and one accompanying teacher or legal guardian) will be given travelling allowances and one night hotel accommodation (twin sharing), if they are **NOT** from:-

- Kuala Lumpur
- Selangor (except Sabak Bernam)
- Putrajaya
- Seremban/ Labu

3.2 The accompanying teacher or legal guardian is required to accompany the contest finalist throughout the contest (inclusive of the orientation) as well as the journey to and from Kuala Lumpur.

4 Prizes & Result

4.2 Top winners from each category will be awarded with a Study Tour Program to Japan.

4.3 Selected winners **MUST** be available to participate in the scheduled Study Tour Programs.

4.4 The result decided by the judges is final.

5 Closing Date

5.2 Completed **Application Form**, together with the **original Manuscript** either handwritten or typewritten using the Japanese style manuscript paper (20x20 characters), must be submitted to the following secretariats by its stipulated closing date:-

5.3 *Secretariat for Public School Learners*

Address: Co-Curricular & Arts Division
 Ministry of Education Malaysia
 Level 3, Block E9, Parcel E
 Federal Government Administrative Centre
 62604 Wilayah Persekutuan Putrajaya

Closing date: **Please refer to the Secretariat**

5.4 *Secretariat for Private Learners*

Address: The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur
 Japanese Language Department
 18th Floor, Northpoint, Block B
 Mid-Valley City, No. 1, Medan Syed Putra
 59200 Kuala Lumpur

Closing date: **6th March 2017**