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Skill Development Conference

Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th January

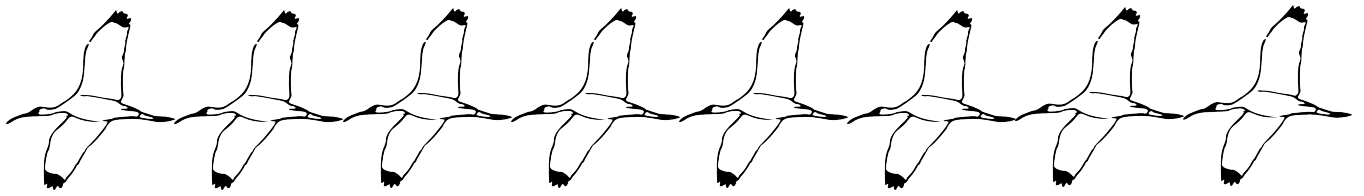
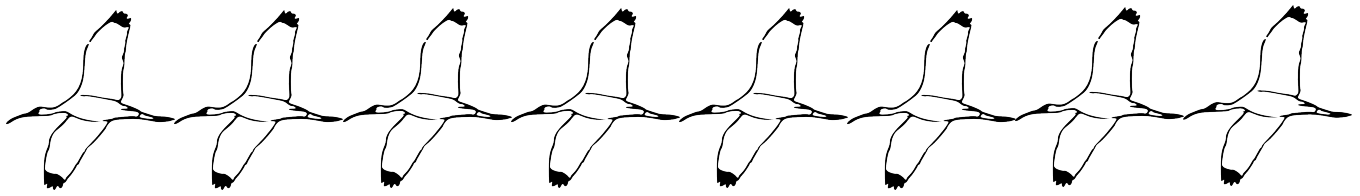


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Introduction

Purpose

Welcome to the annual Skill Development Conference. The purpose of this conference is to bring ALTs and JTEs together to share experiences in working on the JET Program, to discuss team-teaching and other related matters in order to find ways to enhance foreign language education, and to further develop the JET program in Niigata prefecture.

Objectives

- To discuss effective team teaching methods
- To discuss all other matters related to foreign language education in Elementary, Junior High and Senior High Schools in Niigata
- To discuss general issues related to living in Niigata

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The Niigata Prefectural Board of Education

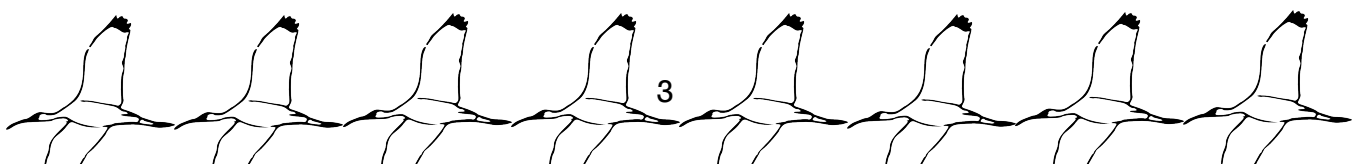
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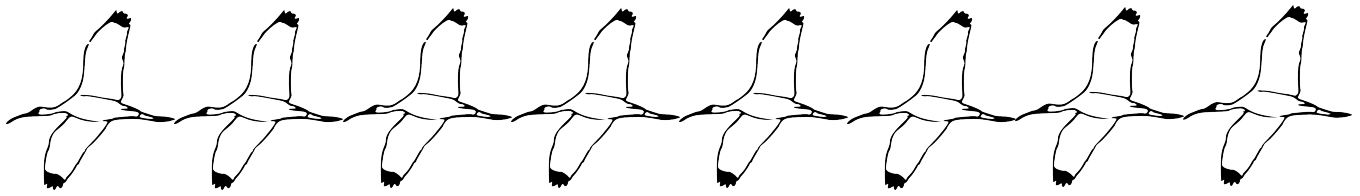
The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
The Council of Local Authorities for International Relations (CLAIR)

Important note for JETs: *Beginning this year, participation in the Niigata Prefecture Skill Development Conference is limited to JET participants in the Niigata Prefecture JET Program. *The Niigata City JET Program is separate from the Niigata Prefecture JET Program.*

Venue

Niigata Prefectural Education Center
Sowa 100-1, Nishi-ku, Niigata City, 950-2144
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Participants

- All the prefectural and municipal Japan Exchange and Teaching Program participants engaged in English language instructions as Assistant Language Teachers.
- Elementary School, Junior High School, and Senior High School Japanese Teachers of English.
- English Teaching Consultants (ETCs) from the Prefectural Board of Education, Municipal Boards of Education, Regional Education offices and the Prefectural Education Center.
- Niigata JET Program Prefectural Advisors

Workshop

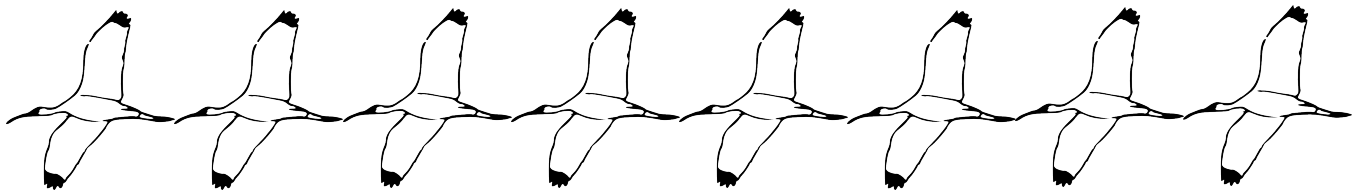
All workshops, with the exception of the Activity Exchange workshop are elective, but space is limited by room size. It's recommended you use the short break between each workshop to arrive to your desired workshop early to avoid disappointment. Please remember that workshops are your opportunity to share your thoughts and ideas as well as learn and discuss with friends and colleagues. Please participate actively and give support to the presenters. They have worked very hard and prepared for the benefit of all of us.

Attendance Policy and Behavior

Attendance at all Skill Development Conference workshops, lectures, and assemblies is mandatory for JET ALTs. Please be aware of the policy regards absence from such events. ALTs absent from such events will have their vacation time reduced to reflect the working time missed. In case of illness or other emergencies that prevent your attendance, be sure to contact Ms.Yokobori or Janice Laureano before the event is scheduled to begin. Your BOEs will be notified of any unexpected absences.

As with other meetings and workshops, we ask that throughout the Skill Development Conference you dress and act in a professional manner. Please enjoy your Tuesday evening in Niigata city, but remember that your behavior reflects upon your schools, the Boards of Education, and the JET Program as a whole. Please behave according to your status as role models, teachers, and ambassadors of your home countries.



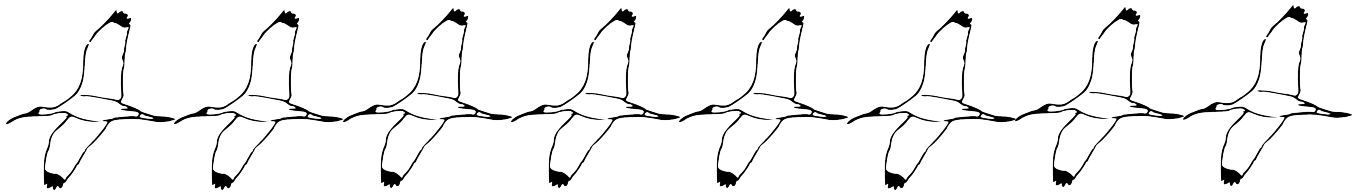


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- MEXT
- CLAIR
- The English teaching consultants for their efforts in assisting with the conference logistics and execution
- The guest lecturers for their insightful lectures
- The presenters, facilitators, and all other volunteers, for creating varied interesting content for this year's conference
- The cultural display volunteers for all the time and effort they put into their wonderful displays.
- The attendees for their active participation and cooperation throughout the two-day event.

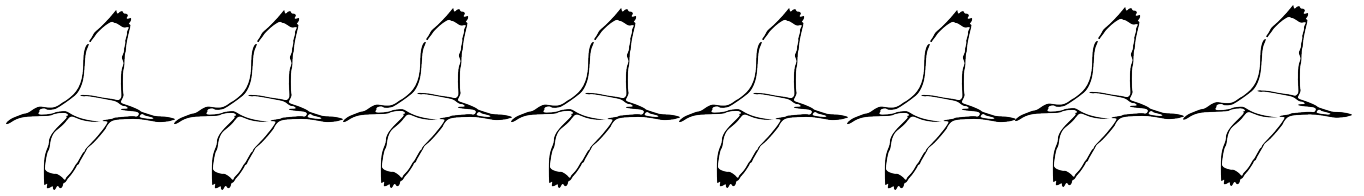




Schedule - Day 1

Tuesday	Event	Location
10:00 – 10:25	Registration	Seminar Hall
10:25 – 10:30	Announcements	Seminar Hall
10:30 – 10:45	Opening Ceremony	Seminar Hall
10:55 – 11:45	Workshop A	See page 8
11:45 – 12:40	Lunch	
12:45 – 13:35	Workshop B	See page 9
13:45 – 14:35	Workshop C	See page 9
14:45 – 15:45	Guest Lecture	Seminar Hall
15:45 – 16:00	Closing Announcement	Seminar Hall

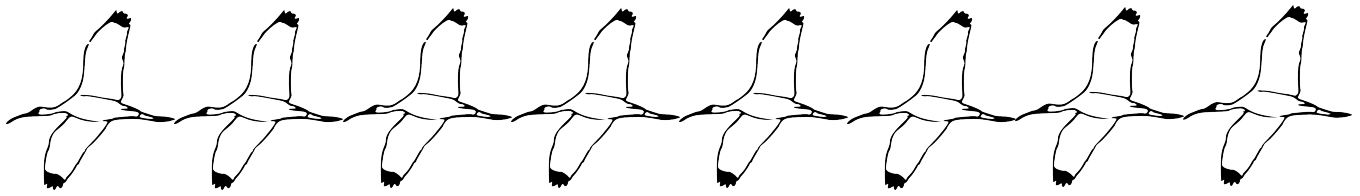




Schedule - Day 2

Wednesday	Event	Location
9:00 – 9:30	Registration	Seminar Hall
9:30 – 9:45	Announcements	Seminar Hall
9:45 – 10:45	Guest Lecture	Seminar Hall
11:00 – 11:50	Workshop D	See page 10
11:50 – 12:45	Lunch	
12:50 – 13:40	Workshop E	See page 10
13:50 – 14:40	Workshop F	See page 11
14:50 – 15:40	Workshop G	See page 11
15:50 – 16:00	Closing Announcement	Seminar Hall





Workshops – Day 1

Tuesday, 17th January

Workshop A 10:55 – 11:45

Title	Presenters	Room	Max Capacity
Traveling Efficiently & Effectively	Nicki Gentile Nick Benson	101	40
Making English Real: An ESL Techniques Toolkit	Sean Callahan	201	40
Debate for All Students	Matt Klein	202	60
Motivating Ourselves to Motivate Students	Anne Marie Hart	203	40



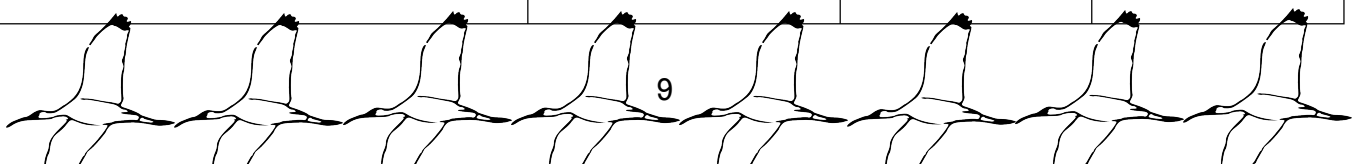


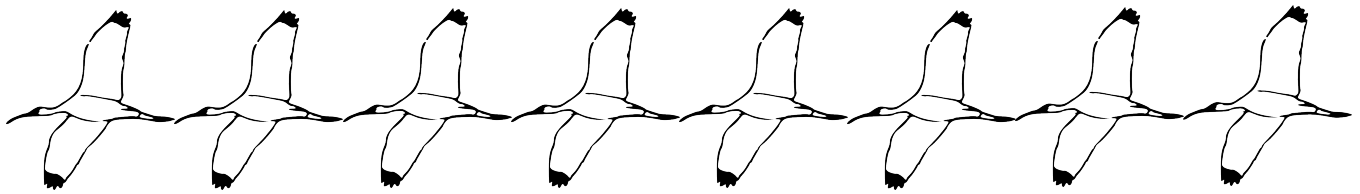
Workshop B 12:45 – 13:35

Title	Presenters	Room	Max Capacity
Phonics 101	Chris Linder	101	40
No book, No Directions, too much freedom	Courtenay Nimmo	201	40
Working with your JTE: ALT and JTE relationships	Kellie Crook Miranda Ferguson	202	60
JHS ALT & JTE Panel Discussion	Kyle Sponenberg Disante Johnson Jimmy Wilson Ayako Sasaki Masaru Yoshizawa	Seminar hall	-

Workshop C 13:45 – 14:35

Title	Presenters	Room	Max Capacity
Before the Textbook: EMS 1 st – 4 th grade	Richard Thornton	101	40
Challenging your English Ability	Janice Laureano	201	40
Being the Center of Attention	Nick Benson	202	60
SHS ALT & JTE Panel Discussion	Brandon Howard Matt Klein Samantha Wolfe Ikeda Haruka Nagumo Yurie	Seminar Hall	-





Workshops - Day 2

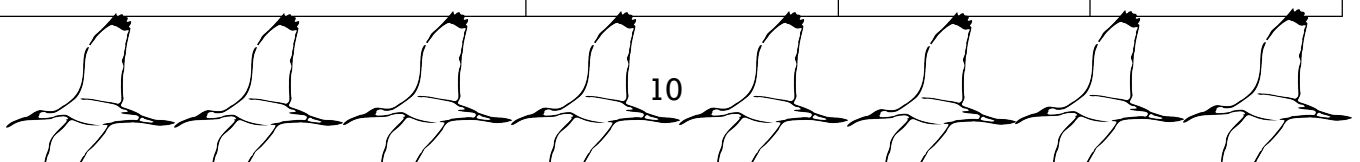
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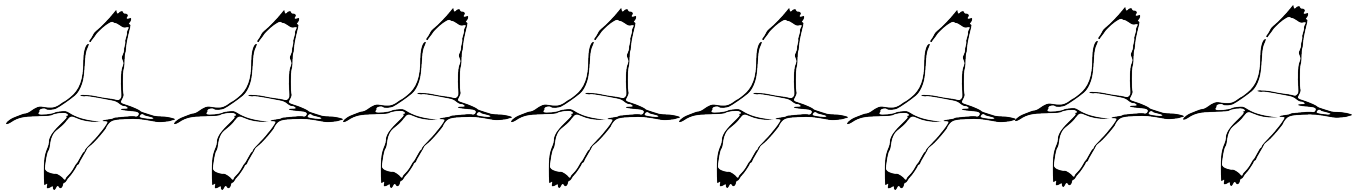
Workshop D 11:00 – 11:50

Title	Presenters	Room	Max Capacity
Basic Collaborative Lesson Planning	Bazyl Nettles Hayato Muromoto	102	40
Disaster Preparedness	Brandon Howard Sean Callahan	201	40
Phonics 101	Chris Linder	203	40
Interact with students outside the Classroom	Melusine Perrier Ariana Marson Disante Johnson Jenny Stein	Seminar hall	-

Workshop E 12:50 – 13:40

Title	Presenters	Room	Max Capacity
Activity Exchange ES	Tiffany Sheen Jimmy Wilson	101	40
Activity Exchange JHS	Kyle Sponenberg	102	60
	Daniel Taylor Protopapa	103	40
Activity Exchange SHS	Courtenay Nimmo	201	40
Activity Exchange SHS	Bazyl Nettles	202	60



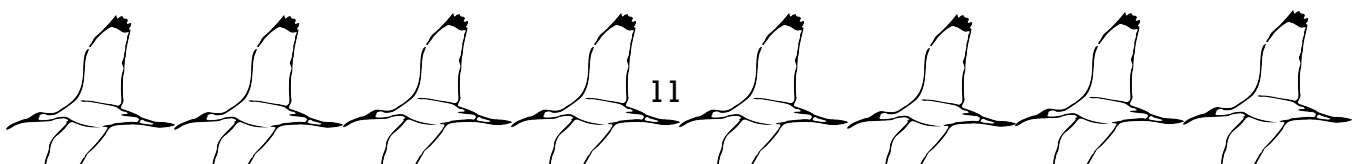


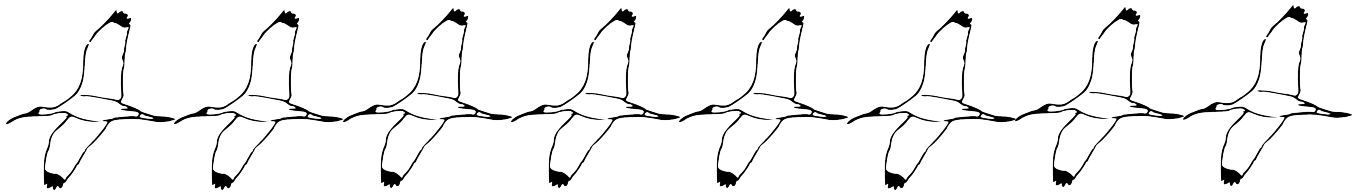
Workshop F 13:50 – 14:40

Title	Presenters	Room	Max Capacity
Connecting, Immersing, Volunteering	Tathia MomPremier	101	40
New Year, New You!	Jess Mancoo	102	60
Japanese Cooking Survival Guide	Sam Wolfe Nick Benson	201	40
Working with your JTE: ALT & JTE relationships	Kellie Crook Miranda Ferguson	202	60

Workshop G 14:50 – 15:40

Title	Presenters	Room	Max Capacity
Life After JET	Janice Laureano Brandon Howard	Seminar Hall	-
No book, No Directions Too much freedom	Courtenay Nimmo	102	60
Useful Methods for Improving your Japanese	Tiffany Sheen Nick Filipkowski	201	40
Debate for All Students	Matt Klein	202	60





Workshop Description –Day 1

Workshop A
10:55 – 11:45

Title: Traveling Efficiently & Effectively

Description:

Happy to be in Japan, but not sure about the ins and outs of traveling in a foreign country? Fearful of taking a night bus? Have no idea what tatami time-share is? Come get some pro travel tips and helpful resources from people who have done it before. Whether you're looking to travel on a dime or treat yo' self, we'll cover what you need to know for making the most of your ability to travel, safely and efficiently. You might only be here once, so why not make the most of it?!

Presenter: Nicki Gentile – 3rd year ALT
Nick Benson – 2nd year ALT

Applicable to: Only ALTs

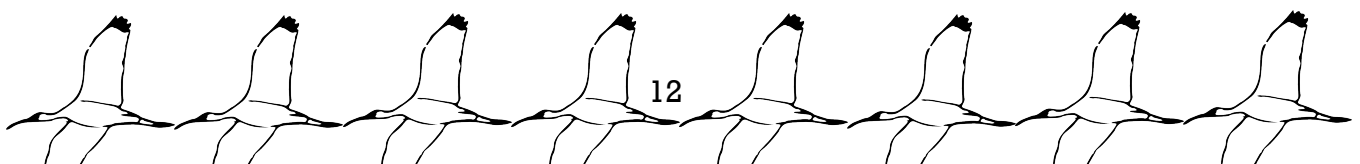
Title: Making English Real: An ESL Techniques Toolkit

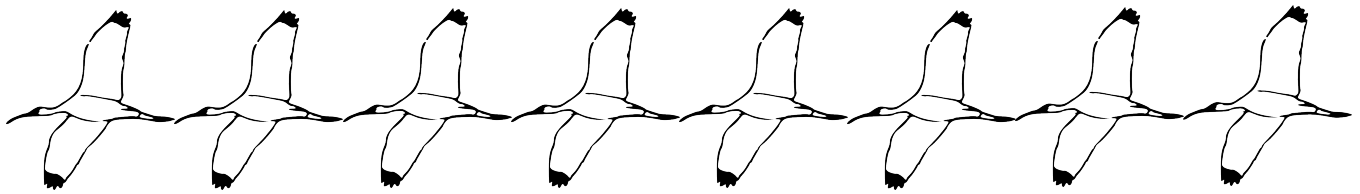
Description:

Have you ever wanted to make English more real to students? Teach them about history, but knew they had to learn complex terms? Or maybe teach an odd science class...in English? This workshop focuses on techniques, which are used in the United States for immigrant students who don't necessarily speak English. Useful to newcomers and as a review!

Presenter: Sean Callahan – 3rd year ALT. Works in 4 SHS.

Applicable to: ALL JTEs & ALTs





Title: Debate for All Students

Description:

We will not focus on debate as a formal sport for competitive, academic students.

The basis of this workshop is the ideas that (1) debate skills are used in all communication, (2) all learners can and should develop these skills and (3) focusing on these skills can enhance the English classroom.

There will be a brief introduction to debate and debate skills, followed by sample activities for varying student levels. Most of the time will be spent in group activities and discussions.

Presenter: Matt Klein – 3rd year ALT. Worked in 8 SHS.

Applicable to: All ALTs, JHS JTEs & SHS JTEs

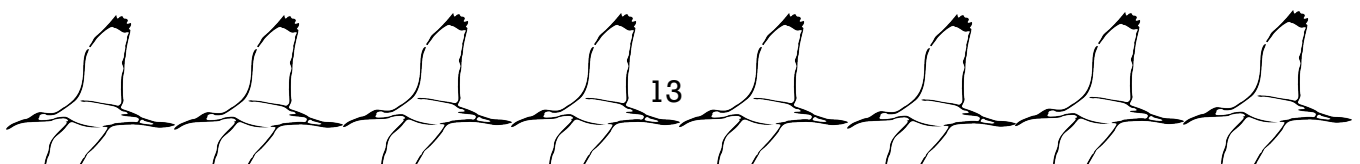
Title: Motivating Ourselves to Motivate our Students

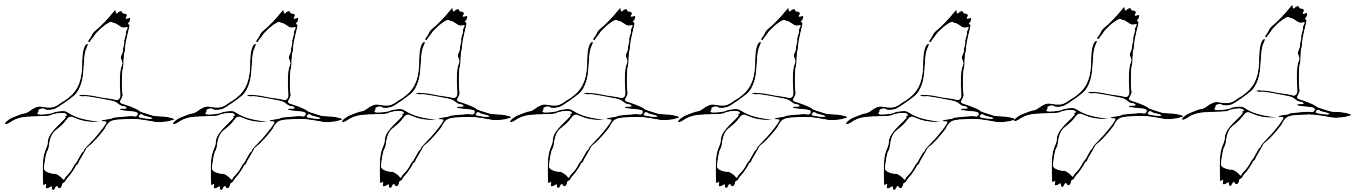
Description:

It's no secret that English education has the tendency to be incredibly dull and boring. While I don't have the perfect solution to all of our problems, I do have some ideas and suggestions that (I hope) will help make English education more enjoyable and engaging, for all English learners! I hope that this workshop will help to motivate all of us, ALTs and JTEs alike, to think more about our students' needs and wants, which will help encourage them to continue learning and studying English. I look forward to collaborating with you, and hearing about your experiences. Let's continue to strive to be the strongest English educators we can be!

Presenter: Anne Marie Hart – 2nd year ALT. Works in 4 SHS.

Applicable to: ALL JTEs & ALTs





Workshop B

12:45 – 13:35

Title: Phonics 101

Description:

In this workshop we will cover what phonics is and why it's important, as well as tips and strategies you can use for introducing it in your classroom.

Presenter: Chris Linder – 3rd year ALT. Works in 3 High Schools

Applicable to: All JTEs & ALTs

Title: No book, No Directions, Too much freedom

Description:

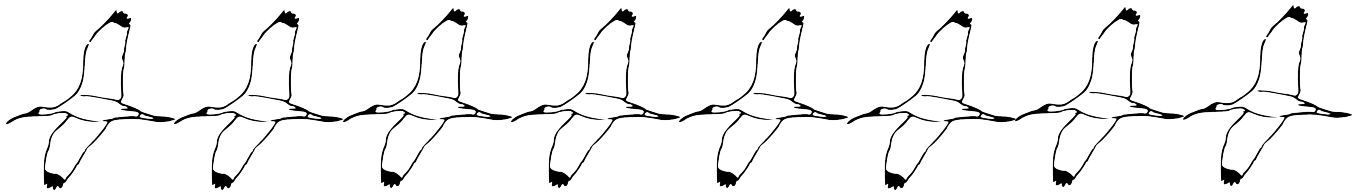
Ever been told "Just do what you want" when planning a class? Or been given an Eikaiwa class with no book and no directions? Then this workshop is for you!

This workshop aims to give you some ideas around how to deal with these situations and some activities that you could try when you are stuck.

Presenter: Courtenay Nimmo – 4th year ALT. Works in 4 SHS.

Applicable to: Only ALTs





Title: Working with your JTE: ALT and JTE relationships

Description:

Do you have a JTE that you just don't click with? Do you have a JTE that is difficult to work with? Join us as we talk about tips and tricks on how to work with all sorts of JTE's. There will be group discussions so please come ready to share your experiences. If you have wonderful JTE stories please come by as well and share them!

Presenter: Kellie Crook – 5th year ALT.
Miranda Ferguson – 2nd year ALT

Applicable to: All JTEs & ALTs

Title: JHS ALT & JTE Panel Discussion ★★★

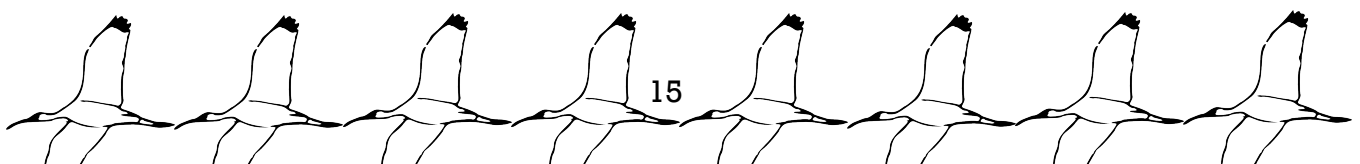
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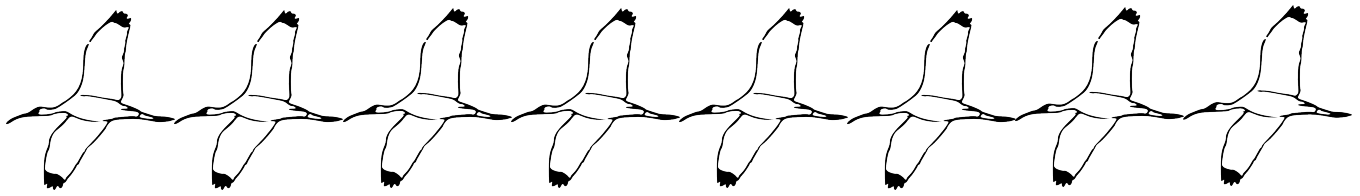
Come participate in the open panel discussion featuring interesting and dynamic views from our ALTs and JTEs. The purpose of this workshop is to deepen mutual understanding and share ways to improve the team teaching process in Junior High Schools.

Moderator: Kyle Sponenberg – 3rd year ALT

Panelists: Disante Johnson – 2nd year ALT
Jimmy Wilson – 3rd year ALT
Ayako Sasaki – Shibata Municipal Saruhashi JHS
Masaru Yoshizawa – Tsubame Municipal Yoshida JHS

Applicable to: ALL JTEs & ALTs





Workshop C

13:45 – 14:35

Title: Before the Textbook: EMS 1st – 4th grade

Description:

Have you ever been handed a lesson plan like this?

1st Grade

Numbers

Some game

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If so, this talk is for you. We will look first at how to structure lower grade lessons, then give you some quick and easy games to fill them with. We will also touch upon creating a 1st-4th curriculum outline for the year, as well as how to communicate more effectively with HRTs.

Presenter: Richard Thornton – 3rd year ALT. Works in 2 JHS & 4 EMS

Applicable to: All JTEs & ALTs

Title: Challenging your English Ability

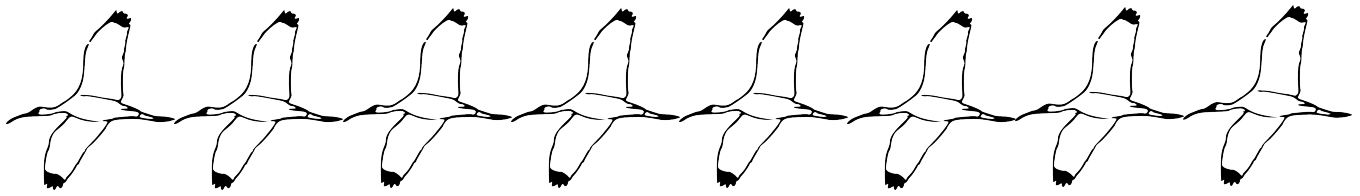
Description:

This is mainly a discussion workshop for JTEs to share their knowledgeable skills on how they maintain and challenge their English listening and speaking ability. This workshop will provide useful resources and ways to level up your abilities.

Presenter: Janice Laureano
Rachel Stivers-Bender

Applicable to: Only JTEs





Title: Being the Center of Attention

Description:

Being a foreigner in Japan always attracts attention, whether wanted or not. We, as ALT's, have the power to either fight or embrace the common stereotypes facing us, and in this workshop, I hope to convince you to be the crazy foreigner your students all believe you can be! Bringing energy, weirdness, and eccentricity into the classroom is a great way to not only engage kids who otherwise wouldn't be paying attention, but also to keep those hyperactive students from creating distractions of their own! In this workshop, I will give teaching tips and tricks on how to manage a classroom without killing the wanpaku/fun spirit.

Presenter: Nick Benson

Applicable to: All JTEs & ALTs

Title: SHS ALT & JTE Panel Discussion ★★★

Description:

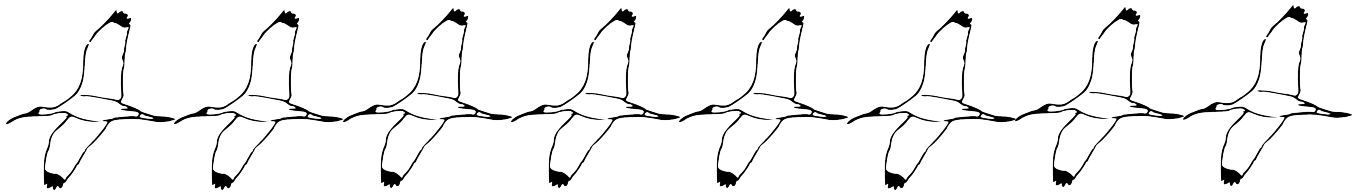
Come participate in the open panel discussion featuring interesting and dynamic views from our ALTs and JTEs. The purpose of this workshop is to deepen mutual understanding and share ways to improve the team teaching process in Senior High Schools.

Moderator: Brandon Howard – 2nd year CIR/CIR PA

Panelists: Matt Klein – 3rd year ALT
Samantha Wolfe – 2nd year ALT
Nagumo Yurie – Niigata Minami SHS
Ikeda Haruka – Nagaoka SHS

Applicable to: ALL JTEs & ALTs





Workshop Description – Day 2

Workshop D
11:00 – 11:50

Title: Basic Collaborative Lesson Planning

Description:

At Murakami SHS, the ALT and JTEs collaboratively plan lessons every week. Both sides provide advice and ideas, and the lesson that results takes advantage of the strengths of both parties. Using a basic framework, the ALT and JTE construct and organize activities that try to reach all four key skills in foreign language acquisition: reading, writing, speaking, and listening. This workshop consists of a short recreation of the collaborative lesson planning process and a presentation on how to approach a more equal planning process for both ALTs and JTEs.

Presenters: Bazyl Nettles – 3rd year ALT. Works in 4 SHS.
Hayato Muromoto – Murakami SHS

Applicable to: Prefectural ALTs, JHS JTEs & SHS JTEs

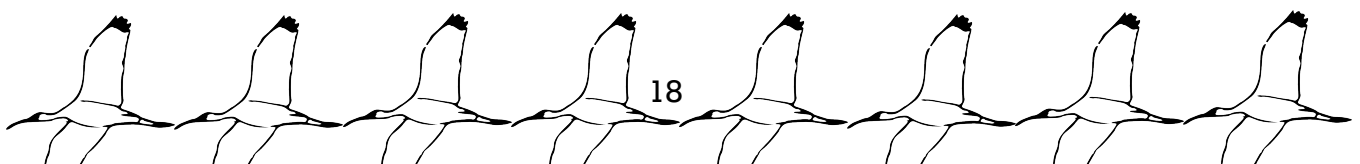
Title: Disaster Preparedness

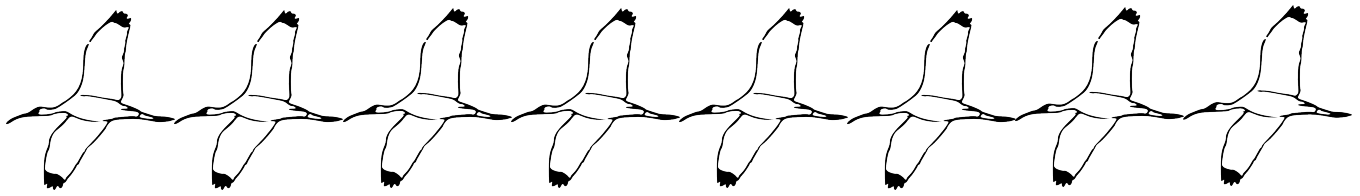
Description:

Niigata Prefecture experiences natural disasters, just like every other part of Japan, and it is never too early to get prepared. This means knowing what to do in the event of a natural disaster and what materials to prepare right now. This is what we will teach you in this workshop as we cover earthquakes, tsunamis, and nuclear disasters.

Presenter: Brandon Howard – 2nd year CIR. Works in Niigata Prefectural Office
Sean Callahan – 3rd year ALT. Works in 4 SHS.

Applicable to: ALL JTEs & ALTs





Title: Phonics 101

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Presenter: Chris Linder – 3rd year ALT. Works in 3 High Schools

Applicable to: All JTEs & ALTs

Title: Interact with students outside the classroom

Description:

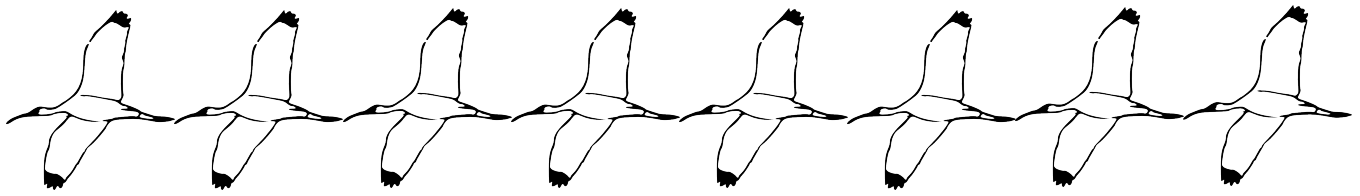
This panel discussion will cover various ways ALTs have found to interact with students outside of the classroom. There will be ALTs from ES to SHS sharing their experience. Come and learn and don't hesitate to tell us about your own ways to create unique connections with your students.

Moderator: Melusine Perrier – 3rd year ALT. Works in 1 JHS & 2 EMS

Panelists: Ariana Marson – 3rd year ALT. Works in 2 JHS, 1 EMS & 1 Pre-school
Disante Johnson – 2nd year ALT. Works in 1 JHS & 2 EMS
Jenny Stein – 1st year ALT. Works in 4 SHS.

Applicable to: ALL JTEs & ALTs





Workshop E

12:50 – 13:40

Title: Activity Exchange

Description:

In the activity exchange, participants will have the opportunity to share, discuss, and critically evaluate successful lesson plans and/or activities, as well as gain new ideas for future lessons.

NOTE: Attendance to the Activity Exchange is mandatory

Facilitators: ES – Tiffany Sheen & Jimmy Willson
JHS – Kyle Sponenberg & Daniel Taylor-Protopapa
SHS – Courtenay Nimmo & Bazyl Nettles

Workshop F

13:50 – 14:40

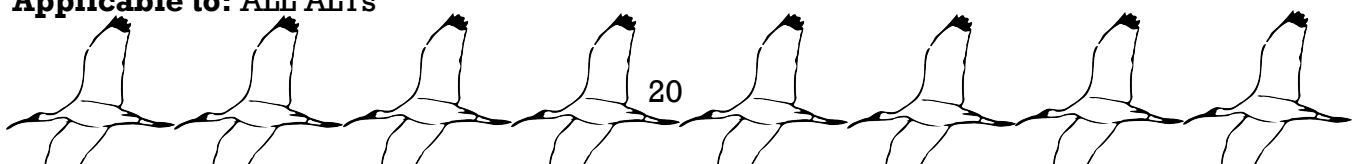
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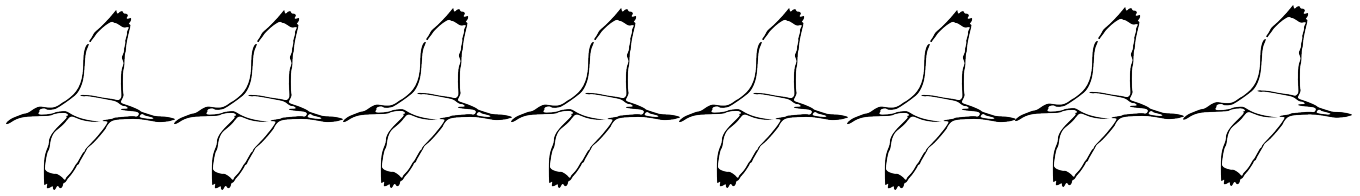
Description:

You have heard it a thousand times, your experience in Japan is what you make it. If you are like me, you came here with a desire to serve the community you have joined and to leave a meaningful impact on at least one generation. In this workshop we will exchange ideas on how to connect with the people whom you wish to serve while immersing in the grandeur of Japanese culture. Whether you are young and hip or old and need a new hip, whatever your gifts and abilities are, we aim to help you discover your unique way of serving your community and we hope to embolden you to get off the sidelines and jump in.

Presenter: Tathia MomPremier

Applicable to: ALL ALTs





Title: New Year, New You!

Description:

Do you want to be more productive this year? Do you need to get your life in order? This presentation will deal with becoming more productive and the organization needed to achieve your goals!

Presenters: Jess Mancoo – 3rd year ALT. Works in 2 JHS & 3 EMS

Applicable to: All JTEs & ALTs

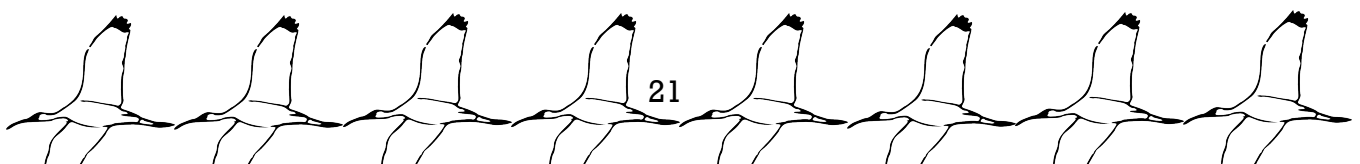
Title: Japanese Cooking Survival Guide

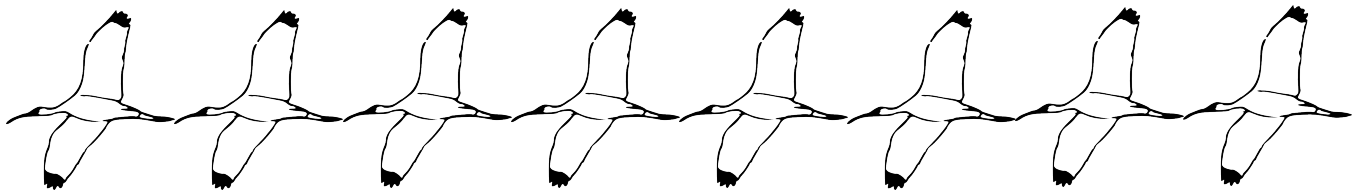
Description:

Having trouble figuring out what to cook? Don't have time to cook? Don't know what the ingredients are? Want to know the seasonal foods of Japan? Want to know what to buy at the grocery store? Don't know how to cook in general? Wonder why there are so many questions? Well come to Japanese Cooking Survival Guide and find out. We will give you some cooking advice and recipes you can use at home and get you started on your own cooking adventures in Japan!

Presenter: Sam Wolfe – 2nd year ALT.
Nick Benson – 2nd year ALT.

Applicable to: ALL JTEs & ALTs





Title: Working with your JTE: ALT and JTE relationships

Description:

Do you have a JTE that you just don't click with? Do you have a JTE that is difficult to work with? Join us as we talk about tips and tricks on how to work with all sorts of JTE's. There will be group discussions so please come ready to share your experiences. If you have wonderful JTE stories please come by as well and share them!

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Miranda Ferguson – 2nd year ALT

Applicable to: All JTEs & ALTs

Workshop G
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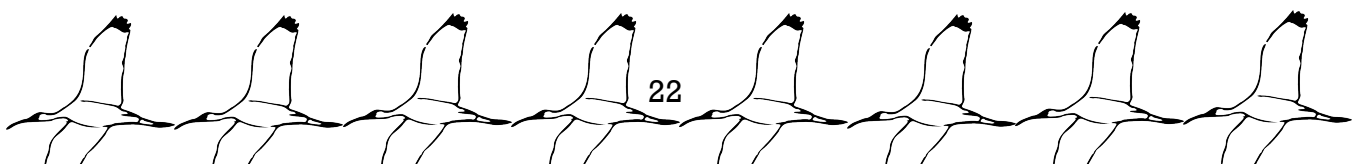
Title: Life After JET

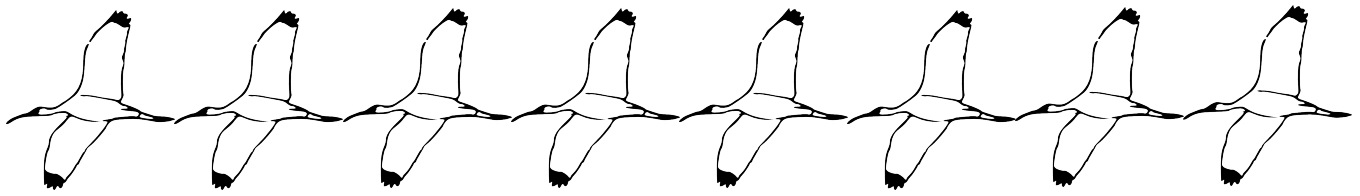
Description:

Preparing to leave but not prepared at all? Want to stay in Japan but don't know how to go about doing it? Worried about Residency Tax, VISA extension, Lump Sum Pension & Pension Tax Refund? In this workshop we'll go over how to best prepare for finishing your time on JET and give you a few ideas for taking the next step and how to make the best use of your JET experience.

Presenter: Janice Laureano – 4th year ALT/ 1st year ALT PA. Works in 3 SHS
Brandon Howard – 2nd year CIR/ 2nd year CIR PA.
Works in Niigata Prefectural Office

Applicable to: Non re-contracting ALTs





Title: No book, No Directions, Too much freedom

Description:

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Presenter: Courtenay Nimmo –4th year ALT. Works in 4 SHS.

Applicable to: Only ALTs

Title: Useful Methods for Improving your Japanese

Description:

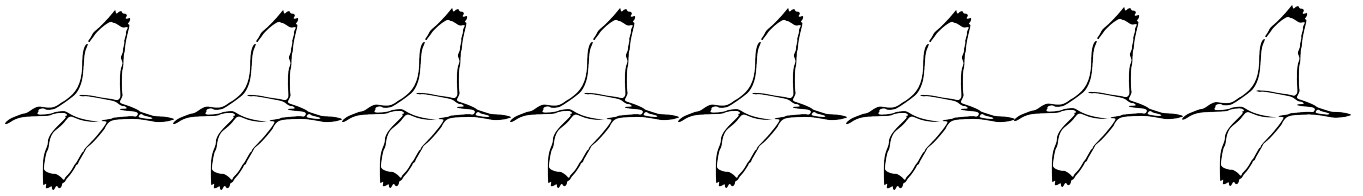
As most of us have learned, studying and mastering the beautiful language of Japanese is no easy task. As such, people go about many different ways of improving this skill, to varying results. This workshop is designed to introduce and discuss various techniques and methods for studying Japanese that have proven effective for language learners.

Having recently taken the JLPT N2 and N4 tests respectively, Tiffany and Nick's Japanese abilities span a wide range. Therefore, they'd like to invite and welcome people of all levels! Whether you're just getting started or trying your best to work out tiny nuances, you'll be able to find something helpful for your language journey!

Presenter: Tiffany Sheen – 2nd year ALT
Nick Filipkowski – 2nd year ALT

Applicable to: Only ALTs





Title: Debate for All Students

Description:

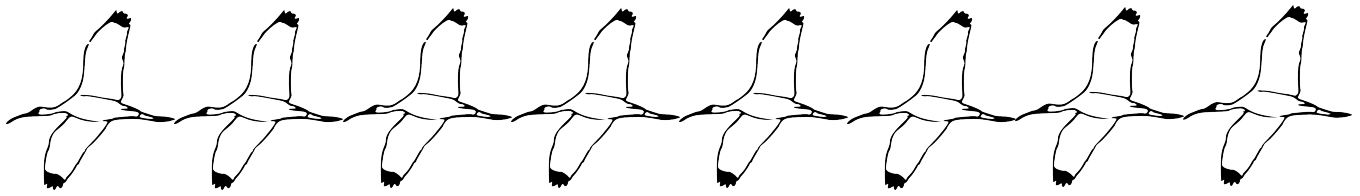
We will not focus on debate as a formal sport for competitive, academic students.

The basis of this workshop is the ideas that (1) debate skills are used in all communication, (2) all learners can and should develop these skills and (3) focusing on these skills can enhance the English classroom. There will be a brief introduction to debate and debate skills, followed by sample activities for varying student levels. Most of the time will be spent in group activities and discussions.

Presenter: Matt Klein – 3rd year ALT. Worked in 8 SHS.

Applicable to: All ALTs, JHS JTEs & SHS JTEs





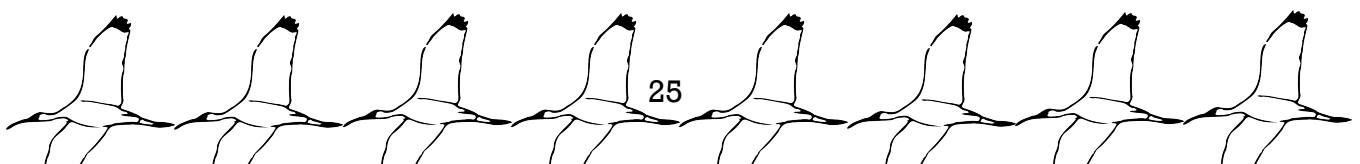
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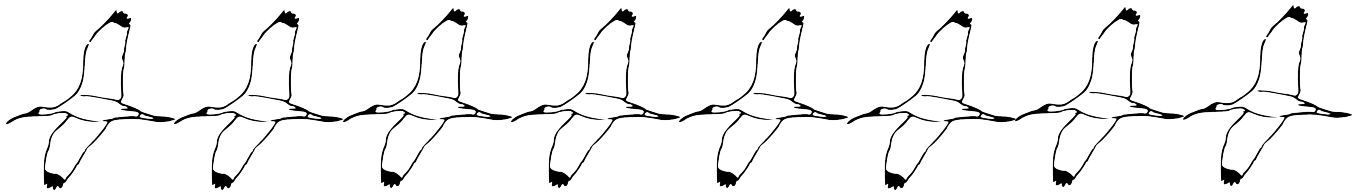
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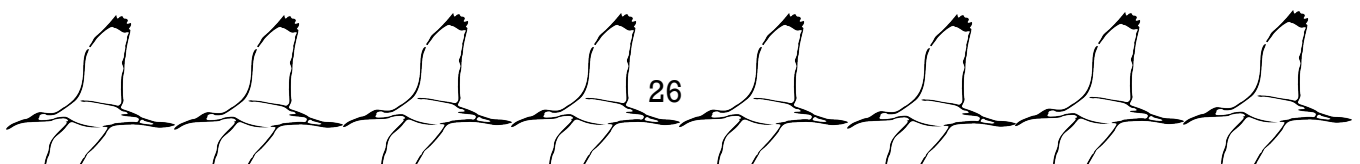


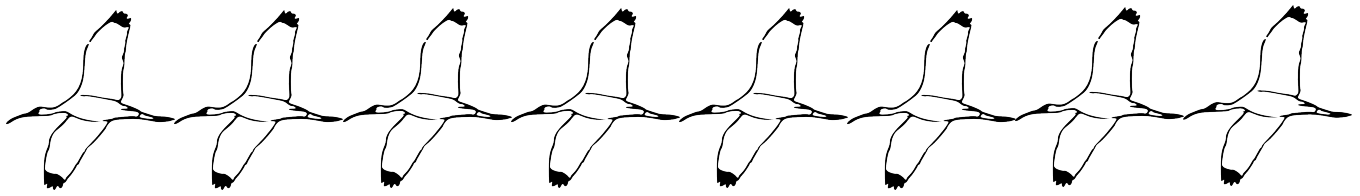


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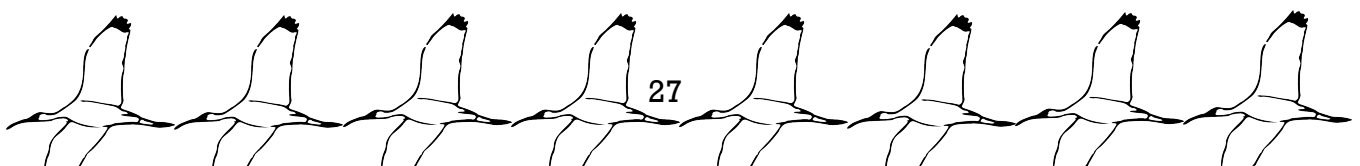
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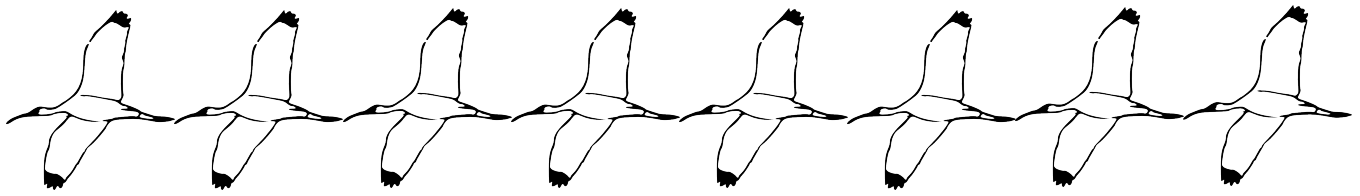
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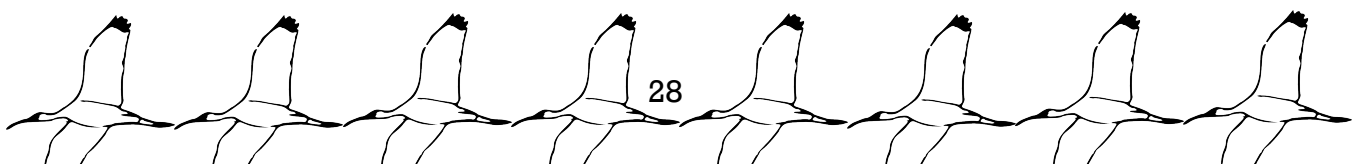


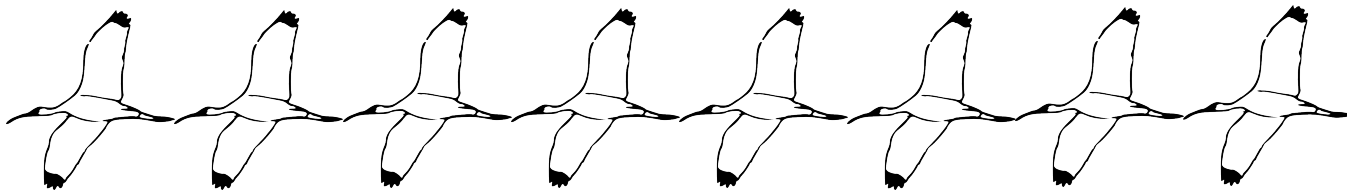
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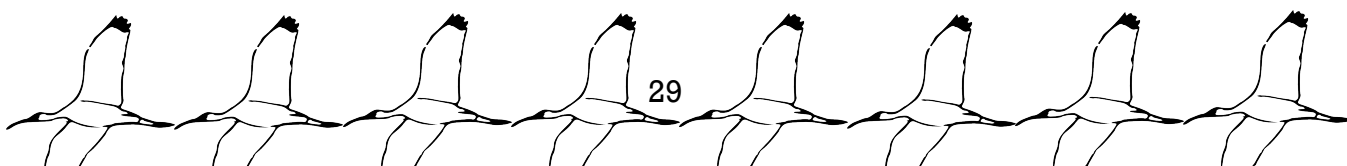


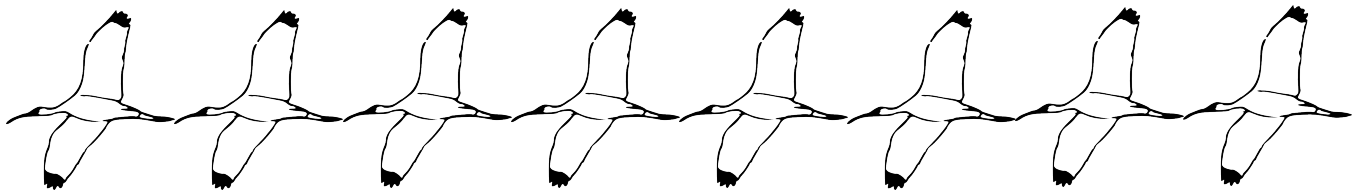
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5.	Suda Yuichi	Compulsory Ed. Division, Niigata Prefectural Office
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2.	Muromoto Hayato	Murakami SHS





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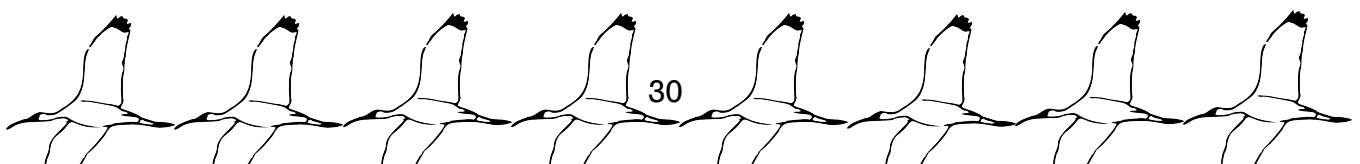
Education Center Rules

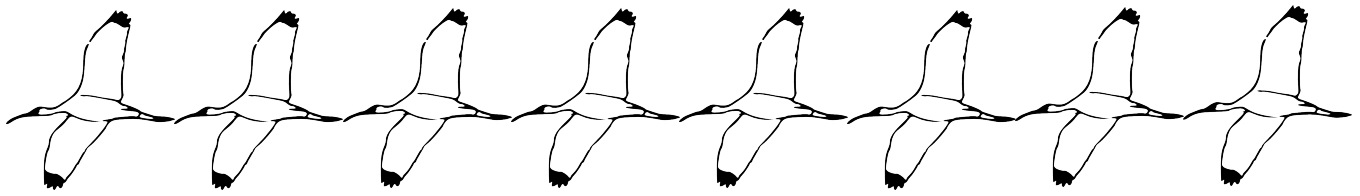
- Please dispose of your garbage in the appropriate trash bins.
- No eating allowed in any of the workshop rooms, i.e. no food during workshops.
- Drinks are allowed as long as they can be sealed with a cap.
- Please turn off your mobile phones while you're in a workshop
- The counseling division on the 1st floor is strictly off limits.
- Please respect the signs posted in the corridors
- Smoking allowed only in designated smokes areas.
- Please be considerate of others working in the Education Center and walk quietly along the hallways.

Cafeteria and Meal options

English menu options are posted on the ticket vending machine in front of the cafeteria. To avoid long queues during lunch please try to buy a lunch ticket after 10am during breaks but make sure not to be late to the workshops.

Warning: *Vegetarian options not available. Soba and udon dishes contain fish or pork soup stocks.*





Lunch Events – Room 105

Cultural Display

The aim of the cultural display is to show the varied and unique backgrounds of the JET community to further enhance and encourage cultural understanding. This year we have two countries on display:

1. (French) Canada:

Showcased by: Vanessa Preddie & Francesca Abbondanza-Bergeron

2. Switzerland:

Showcased by: Melusine Perrier

Raffles

To raise awareness about the importance of being prepared for natural disasters the Prefectural Advisors will be raffling out a Disaster Survival Kit. Leftover proceeds will be donated to the AJET Charity.

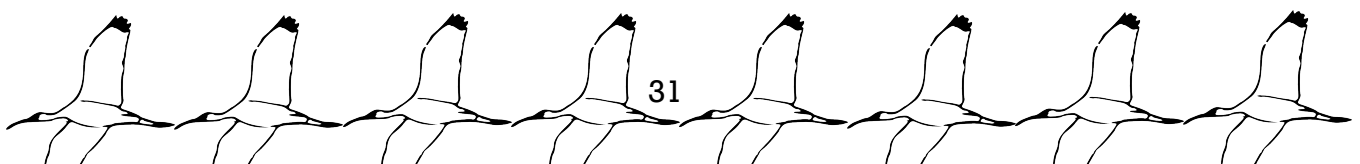
In the fun spirit of raffling your ALT PA has added a rare T-shirt raffle for your enjoyment. Leftover proceeds will also be donated to the AJET Charity.

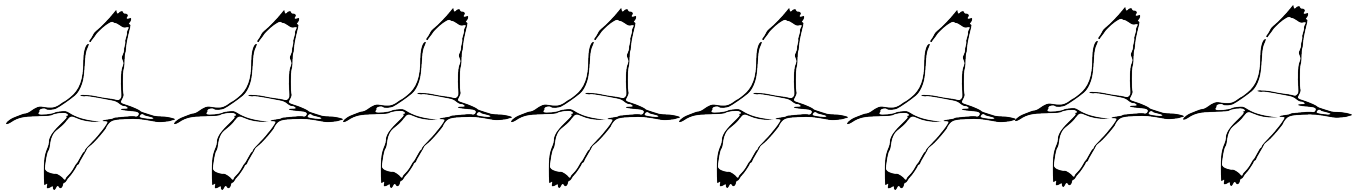
1. Disaster Survival Kit

- ¥100 per raffle ticket
- 1 winner

2. Custom made Niigata T-Shirt

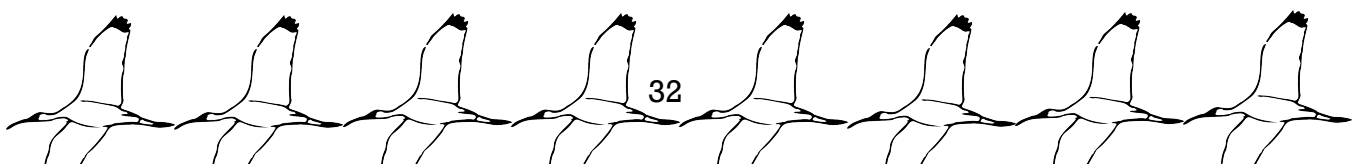
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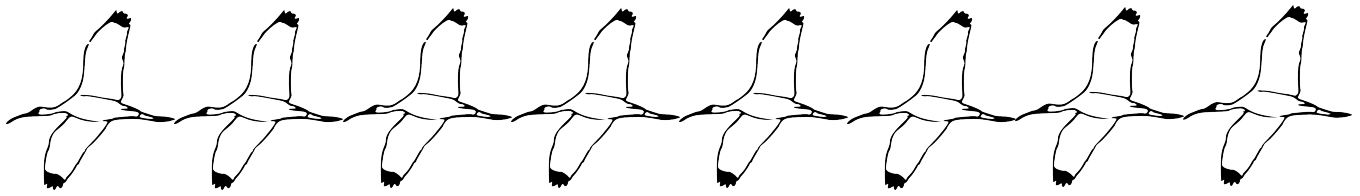




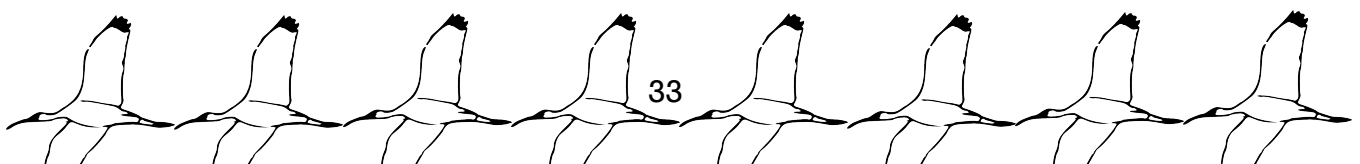
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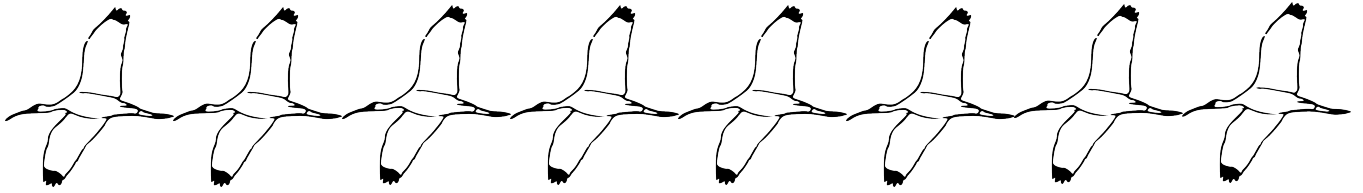
1. A door links the Education Center to the dormitory. This door is locked at 5:00 PM, so if you leave anything in the Education Center, please be sure to retrieve it before this time. After 5:00 PM, you **cannot** go to the computer building. The computer building is located near the lounge and has a motion sensor alarm.
2. Meals
 - a. Dinner
 - i. Please buy dinner tickets **before 3:00pm** on the same day.
 - ii. Dinner will be served from 5 PM to 7:30 PM (Last Orders at 7:15).
 - b. Breakfast
 - i. Please buy breakfast tickets **before 6:00pm** on the day before.
 - ii. Breakfast will be served from 7:30am – 8:30am
3. Sheets, pillow cases, and blanket covers should be collected from **the linen closets**. Please take only what you need as the dormitory is used by many people and supplies are limited. Towels are **NOT** provided.
4. If you leave the dormitory in the evening, you must sign the **OUT** box on the room list and give your key to the dormitory superintendent. (**DON'T** leave the key on the counter of the dorm entrance.) When returning, pick up your key from the superintendent and sign the **IN** box.
5. **The curfew for the dormitory is 10:00 PM.** Therefore, you must return to the dormitory by **10:00 PM**—NO EXCEPTIONS. Those found in violation of curfew may face disciplinary action. If some emergency prevents you from meeting the curfew, please call the front desk (263-1094). Inform them of your approximate time of arrival, so they will not lock you out of the dorm. There are very few circumstances when this is acceptable.
6. The baths are on the first floor; they are open from 5:30 PM to 10:30 PM. The bath is NOT open in the morning.
7. You may talk or watch TV in the lounges or the conversation room until 10:30 PM. These rooms will be closed at 10:30 PM, and **lights out** is at 11:00 PM. Please remember that there are other teachers (and fire fighters) staying at the dormitory. Be courteous and quiet at all times, especially during the evening hours.





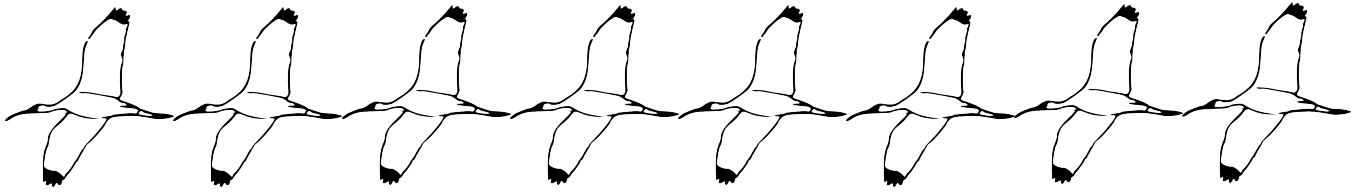
8. There is a designated smoking area on the 2nd floor (beside the cafeteria) —keep the remaining areas smoke-free.
9. There is no food, drinks, or smoking allowed in the dorm rooms. Do not bring cups into your room.
10. Please wear shoes or slippers in the hallways. Please keep your valuables with you at all times. Lock the door for security reasons when you leave your room.
11. In the morning, please
 - (1) fold up your futon and blanket, (follow the directions in your rooms)
 - (2) return your linen to the linen closet by 8:50,
 - (3) clean the floor with the cleaning wiper, and empty the garbage bins, (put into the bins in the lounge according to the material specified.)
 - (4) don't remove the plastic bag inside the bin, nor the cloth on the cleaning wipers,
 - (4) shut the curtains,
 - (5) turn off the heater.Your room should be left exactly as you found it. **Please do not lock the door**, as the ETCs will have to check each room later. **Return your key to the key box** on the counter of the dorm entrance. You can leave your bags in the Seminar Hall for the remainder of the day.
12. **PLEASE NOTE:** The heater turns off at 11:00 PM.





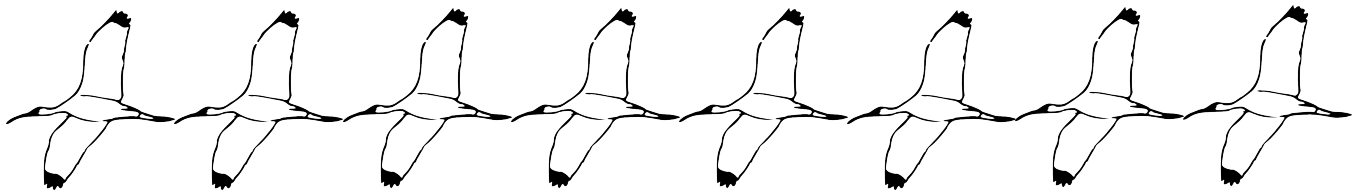
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