



NIKKO CITY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARCH 2026

Free Japanese Class! (MARCH~JULY)

Nikko City International Association (NCIA)

The NCIA holds a free Japanese language class taught by volunteers! Make sure to bring a pen/pencil and notebook! Come whenever you are able, even if it is not every time!



TIME/DATE: 19:00~20:30 Every 1st, 2nd, and 4th Thursday

LOCATION: NIKKO Civic Activities Support Center (304-1 Imaichi, Nikko)

CONTACT: Nikko City International Association

※If you are participating for the first time, please call us!

☎TEL: 0288-21-5112 (WEEKDAYS 9:00~17:00) Nikko City Hall

NOTE: Our number will change on April 1st! See below for details.

Nikko City International Association LOCATION CHANGE!

Nikko City International Association (NCIA)

Starting on Wednesday, April 1st, the NCIA's desk will be located in the Lifelong Learning Division (*shougaiagakushuuka*). You can find us on the 2nd floor of the East Nikko City Hall building (next to the main city hall building). Our new phone number will be: ☎ **0288-21-5182.**



Insurance Cards Out, My Number Cards In!

Ministry of Health, Labor, and Welfare (MHLW)

My Number cards have been merged with insurance cards! After March 31st, the old insurance cards will no longer be accepted.



What should I do?

- Make sure that your **My Number card** is linked with your insurance OR use a **certificate of eligibility** (健康保険資格確認書) instead. (If you do not have a My Number card, you should have received a certificate of eligibility via mail. This document is free and should have been sent automatically by your insurer.)
- You can link your My Number card and insurance information by using the Mynportal app. (Available for children 15+)
- Children also must have their health insurance linked to their My Number cards!



https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/newpage_51604.html

For detailed information in 15 languages, scan the QR!



Yami-baito Beware!

Community Safety Division ☎: 0288-21-5112

What is a *yami-baito* (闇バイト)?

Translated literally, *yami-baito* means “dark part-time job” and refers to illegal work which typically recruits unsuspecting workers under false pretenses.



Warning Signs

- *Yami-baito* often recruit via social media or LINE. They may ask that you use specific apps to have secret communications or request your personal information.
- Offers that seem “too good to be true” – high paying, yet the work seems too simple or vague in nature.
- If you are offered a job without an interview and they request your personal information (IDs, My Number cards, driver’s license, photos of you, etc.)

Once you start these jobs, it can be very difficult to leave, and you or your loved ones may be threatened. For any concerns, please contact the police!
Police Consultation Hotline: #9110

Minimum Wage Increase

Tochigi Labor Bureau ☎: 028-634-9109

Are you being paid properly? On October 10, 2025, the minimum hourly wage for Tochigi prefecture increased from ¥1,004 to **¥1,068**. This applies to all workers.



However, for those working in fields such as electronics, manufacturing, automobiles, etc., the minimum wages are slightly higher, vary by industry, and took effect on December 31st, 2025. Those under 18 years old and over 65 years old are all subject to the Tochigi prefecture minimum hourly wage.

Daily Life Orientation Videos

Immigration Services Agency (ISA)

Japan’s Immigration Services Agency (ISA) has prepared videos to help foreign nationals learn about living and working in Japan! There are videos about traffic rules, healthcare, natural disasters, immigration procedures, learning Japanese, and more! For details, please see the ISA’s website.



<https://www.moj.go.jp/isa/content/001422843.pdf>

Available languages: Japanese, English, Chinese (simplified AND traditional), Korean, Vietnamese, Nepali, Indonesian, Filipino, Thai, Portuguese, Spanish, Khmer (Cambodian), Burmese, Mongolian, Ukrainian, Russian

