

Asia-Kakehashi Project + (Plus)

- Building Bridges between High School Students in Japan and Asia -

AFS Intercultural Programs, Japan is appointed to implement the Asia Kakehashi Project + by the Japanese Government in collaboration with AFS Partner organizations and NGOs in Asia and G7 member countries for five years from 2023 to 2027.

- Content:
 - ✓ Invite high school students in Asia and G7 member countries to study in Japan for 5 months
 - ✓ Attend Japanese high school while staying in dormitory or with host family
 - ✓ Exposure to Japanese culture, local communities and industries
 - ✓ Attend international camps (twice: together with arrival/end of stay orientations) with Japanese high school students

ASIA KAKEHASHI Project + 2026

- **Duration:** August 2026 - December 2026 Note: The schedule is subject to change.
- **Content:** Japanese high school experiences with dormitory-stay or homestay
- **Fee:** Full scholarship sponsored by the Japanese Government
- **Prospective Number of Participants:** 100
- **Support:** All participants will be supported by AFS Japan's experienced local volunteers and professional staff during the program in Japan. Pre-program support will be provided by AFS/NGO under the AFS policies and guidelines.
- **Application:** Application dates depend on the country the applicant is coming from. For details, please contact the organization listed below.
- **Eligibility criteria:** Applicants to the program in 2026 must meet the following criteria:
 - A) Between 15 and 18 years of age, born after April 2, 2008 and before April 1, 2011;
 - B) Citizen of one of the countries/regions listed below at the time of application;
 - C) Obtained minimum of 60% marks in principle in all subjects in the latest examination at school and overall minimum average of 60% marks in all subjects for the past two years;
 - D) Learners of Japanese. (For example, those who hold JLPT N5, can read hiragana and katakana, or can introduce themselves in Japanese at the time of application.)

Participants for the Japanese speech contests are encouraged to apply and have priority for the selection.

 - E) Demonstrate strong potential of leadership to act as a bridge between the home country and Japan during and after the program; and
 - F) Not have participated in the ASIA KAKEHASHI program before.
 - G) Priority will be given to students of families with low incomes in case there are difficulties to select from the above A-F.

■ **Contact Organization**

| Country & Region | Responsible Organization |
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