

Pan-Pacific High School Leaders Meeting for Sustainable Friendship 2024

(1) Hosted by

The Educational Foundation of Osaka Medical and Pharmaceutical University
Takatsuki Junior and Senior High School

(2) Name of the Event

Japanese name: 環太平洋高校生友好会議 2024

English name : Pan-Pacific High School Leaders Meeting for Sustainable Friendship 2024

Abbreviated name: Hi! PALM2024 [High School Pacific Leaders Meeting 2024].

(3) Date and Time

10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Sunday, December 1, 2024

(4) Main Theme

To create a global community where people can enjoy good health and peace of mind

(5) Purpose of the Event

Considering the serious problems facing the world and the global environment, the possibility of resolving these issues lies in building sustainable and friendly relationships across national borders among high school students who will be the leaders of the next generation. Takatsuki High School, as part of the Super Global High School Network designated by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, will utilize the results of the global education it has cultivated over the past decade to host this meeting as an opportunity for high school students to gather across borders and explore approaches to "building a global community where people can enjoy good health and peace of mind" from the perspective of high school students.

The meeting will also serve as a commemorative event for high school students to mark the 30th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Japan and Palau.

(6) Event Summary

The high school students invited from Super Global High School Network (SGHN) schools, high schools in the Kansai region, the Republic of Palau, and Taiwan will assemble at Takatsuki High School and hold workshops in a breakout session format for each registered global social issue, develop plans to solve the issues or create a sustainable society, and present them in the form of a proposal of action plans.

(7) Number of high school students participating in the Meeting

¶ Total number: about 100 students

(1) Takatsuki High School: 40 students

(2) Overseas high schools: 12 students

(3) SGHN high schools / Schools in the Kansai area: 50 students

¶ If international students enrolled in the SGHN Schools or in the Kansai regional high schools wish to participate in this meeting, there will be an additional quota as registered participants.

¶ Visitors from other schools are welcome.

(8) The Breakout Sessions

- The following five themes (A-D) connected to the main theme will be discussed in the following 10 breakouts.
- Advisors (external experts) will provide advice to each breakout.

A. Global Health

- [A-1] How will humanity deal with infectious diseases in the future?
(How can we utilize what we have learned from the COVID-19 pandemic?)
- [A-2] How can we achieve a long and healthy life?
(NCD prevention, obesity prevention, stress prevention, etc.)

B. Education

- [B-1] What kind of education is necessary to increase cross-cultural understanding and tolerance?
- [B-2] How can we foster moral and ethical views in primary and secondary education?
(What is your relationship with religion?)

C. Social Affairs

- [C-1] How should human society deal with advances in science and technology? (Problems brought about by AI, nuclear power issues, smartphone addiction)
- [C-2] The need to recognize the benefits and risks of an advanced information society
(Useful information and manipulated information, avoidance of personal isolation)

D. Environment

- [D-1] Sharing the current state of global warming (including environmental pollution) and what can be done at the citizen level to combat it?
- [D-2] What is the action plan for "coexistence with nature" that can be done at the citizen level?

E. Disaster prevention/mitigation

- [E-1] How can we improve disaster prevention awareness in daily life?
- [E-2] What should support organizations and supporters keep in mind during disasters?

(9) Schedule for the day of the Meeting

Sunday, December 1, 2024, 10:00-16:30

- 10:00 Opening Ceremony
- 10:30 Keynote Speech I (40 min)
- 11:15 [Explanation of the proceedings] by the Student Steering Committee
- 11:20 Breakout Session I (70 min)
- 12:30 Lunch
- 13:00 Lunchtime Presentation (30 min)
- 13:30 Breakout Session II (70 min)
- 14:45 {Breakout Session's representatives meeting (30 min.)}
- 14:45 {Keynote Speech II (30 min.)}
- 15:20 Closing Ceremony (until 16:20)
 - "Our Proposal of Action Plans"
presented by the Breakout Session's representatives (5 min.)
 - Presenting Certificate of Participation
 - Taking Commemorative photos

(10) External supporting agencies/organizations

- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan
- The Embassy of Japan in the Republic of Palau
- Takatsuki International Association
- Osaka Medical and Pharmaceutical University