

## **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**

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