

Koedo Kawagoe News



Kawagoe City, International Relations Division

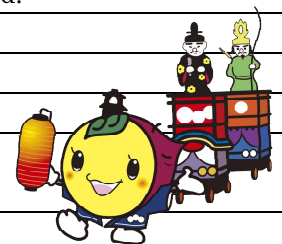
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Main Events of Kawagoe for 2016

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Jan. 10	The 1st Coming-of-Age Day celebration at Westa Kawagoe was held.
31	The “Let’s enjoy foods produced in Kawagoe and cooked by chef, Mr. Kawagoe” event was held.
Feb. 20	The West Gate of Hon-Kawagoe Station opened.
March 7	New names of machi, “Fujikura 1-chome” and “Fujikura 2-chome” started.
26	Ko-Edo Kawagoe Spring Festival started (Ended on May 5)
Apr. 1	The 4th Kawagoe City Comprehensive Plan started. Yamazaki House was opened to the public.
12	The 90th Anniversary of the Foundation of Kawagoe City High School was celebrated.
24	A Fund-raising campaign for the earthquake stricken area of Kumamoto was conducted at Kawagoe Station and other places.
May 5	The 2016 Exciting Festa of Kawagoe was held.
22	The winner of Nobel Prize of Physics, Mr. Takaaki Kajita, was made an honorary citizen of Kawagoe.
July 30 & 31	Kawagoe One Million Lanterns Summer Festival was held.
Aug. 27	Ko-Edo Kawagoe fireworks display held at Aina Shinsui Park.
Sep. 22	Ko-Edo Kawagoe Hatsukari Festival held.
Oct. 1	Kawagoe Sports Award granted to Ryunosuke Haga, the winner of the bronze medal for the 100kg division of the male Judo match, at Rio des Janeiro Olympic Games.
4	Happy Vouchers Kawagoe brought into use.
10	Kawagoe's symbol, the Time Bell Tower, reveals its original color, reddish brown, with the upper covers removed.
15 & 16	Kawagoe Festival held.
29	Kawagoe Sports Awards granted to Mr. Yoshihide Kiryu, the winner of the silver medal for 4 X 100 meter relay race of the male track and field events, and to Mr. Daisuke Matsunaga, the winner of the 7th place for the 20 km walking race of male track and field events, both at Rio des Janeiro Olympic Games.
Nov. 5 & 6	“KAWAGOE REMIX—Happy Infusion of Food, Sound and Light—” held.
12	Kawagoe Horseback Archery exhibition held. Kawagoe Olympic Concert 2016 held.
19 & 20	Kawagoe Industrial Festival held.
24	Snowfall in November recorded for the first time in 66 years at Kumagaya Meterological Observatory.
27	Ko-Edo Kawagoe Half Marathon Race held.
Dec. 1	The Float Festival of Hikawa, Kawagoe placed on the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage List. Kawagoe Citizens' Day and Award Ceremony held.
4	The “All the Foods in Kawagoe Assembled” event was held.
17	Event held to celebrate the inscription of Kawagoe festival floats on the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage List.



The Main Points of Taxation System Reform of Individual Inhabitant Tax (City and Prefectural Resident Tax)

Shiminzei-ka (Resident Tax Division) Tel. 049-224-5640

To ease the attachment, etc. of documents for tax deduction for dependents concerning relative living abroad

In the tax system reform in 2015, in regard to the calculation of tax deductions for dependents concerning relatives who live abroad (relatives living abroad), it has become necessary for those who receive the application for tax deductions for dependents, tax deductions for a spouse, special tax deductions for a spouse, tax deductions for handicapped persons, etc.(including dependent family members under 16 years of age) in the final income tax return for 2016, the declaration of an individual's residence tax for the fiscal year 2017, etc. to attach or present the documents mentioned below to the declaration form. In addition, when the document concerned is written in a foreign (non-Japanese) language, a translation must also be attached.

- **Documents relating to relatives (documents to certify relationship to the tax payer)**

If the relative living abroad is Japanese: (either of ① or ②) ...

① A copy of a supplementary family register, ② Some form of identification issued by a national or local public entity and a copy of the passport of the relative living abroad.

If relative living abroad is foreigner: ... Some form of identification issued by a foreign nation or its local public entity.

- **Documents relating to remittance (documents to certify that the tax payer has paid the money appropriated for the living expenses of the relative. A copy is acceptable):**

A statement from a financial institution or a statement from a credit card issuing company.

Revision of earned income deduction (reduction of upper limit amount)

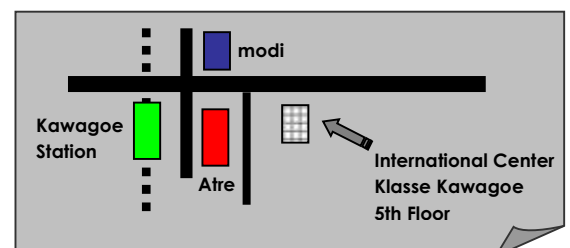
According to the revision of earned income deduction in the tax system reform in 2014, both the upper limit of earned income deductions and the upper limit amount of the deductions from salary income were both reduced as shown in the table listed:

	Upper limit of salary income amount: (amounts in yen)	Upper limit of earned income deduction: (amounts in yen)
Individual inhabitant tax Current (from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2016)	15,000,000	2,450,000
Individual inhabitant tax Starting in fiscal year 2017	12,000,000	2,300,000
Individual inhabitant tax Starting in fiscal year 2018	10,000,000	2,200,000

International Center Information

Closed: Tuesdays and New Year Holidays (Dec. 29th to Jan. 3rd)
23-10 Sugawara-cho Tel: 228-7723 (Only in Japanese Language)

Inquiries: Kokusai Bunka Koryu-ka, Tel: 224-5506



Klasse de Nihongo Date: Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays.

Time: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, 2:00-5:00 p.m., 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Free Japanese language classes for foreign citizens are provided. No prior registration is needed.