

High schools

A high school is a school for students who have graduated from junior high school or compulsory education school.

In Japan, more than 98% of the population advance to high school.

To enter a high school, a person must take an examination. There are also schools which have a recommendation entrance system.

Even if a person has not graduated from a Japanese junior high school or a compulsory education school, if the person obtained an education that is recognized as being equal to a junior high school education, the person can take an entrance examination.

There are 3 kinds of high schools in Japan. One is a national high school which is installed by the state. The second is a public high school which is installed by a prefecture, city, ward, town or village. The third is a private high school which is installed by an educational corporation.

There are many kinds of public high schools. Classes are divided according to content; schools can offer regular courses, specialist courses (technical, business, agricultural and international courses, etc.) and general studies courses.

Schools are also classified according to the hours classes are held; daytime (zennichi sei), part-time (teiji sei), and correspondence (tsushin sei) schools.

Besides these, there are new types of high schools.

Some schools have special systems for foreigners.

Note For details, ask a person who understands Japanese to enquire to high schools.