

Kakamigahara English News

Spring has come and the Sakura Matsuri and Food Battle Festival may be over, but there are still so many things in store to come before summer!

We hope you take advantage of the weather and the vacation days to explore and enjoy what Kakamigahara has to offer! From shopping to parks, museums and outdoor activities, there's a lot for everyone to enjoy. We will also be welcoming the high school students from our sister city in Cerritos, California in June. They will be staying for about a week to sample Japanese school and daily life.

The Fire Department and all of us at the city hall would also like to remind everyone to **be careful when having barbecues or other fires outside, as the spring season includes strong and sometimes sudden gusts of wind, and can easily cause wildfires-** especially in the forests and mountains. Follow the rules posted and never leave any fire unattended. We all hope everyone can enjoy the nature and sites around the city safely and respectfully of both the wildlife and the people around us. Thank you!

The Kakamigahara International Association (KIA)

You can find us on the 6th floor of the Sangyou Bunka Center in the Brand Creation Division, our hours are 8:30 AM-5:15 PM.

Telephone: 058-383-1426

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Website: www.kia1986.org

Please feel free to contact us if you have questions, comments, or for more information.

Children's Health Services For June:

Times for children health checks are from 13:00~13:30.

Please use the designated location for the area you live in. The areas are:

Sogo Fukushi Kaikan: For those living in the **Naka, Kawashima, Sohara, and Inaba Nishi Elementary School** areas.

Asahi Kodomokan: For those living in the **Unuma and Inaba Higashi Elementary** areas.

4 months

Day	Location	For Children Born
June 1 (Wed)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	Jan 1~ 15 2016
June 2 (Thurs)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	Jan16~ 31 2016
June 3 (Fri)	Asahi Kodomokan	Jan 2016

Includes physical

11 months

Date	Location	For Children Born
June 27 (Mon)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	July 2015
June 28 (Tues)	Asahi Kodomokan	July 2015

Physical and dental inspection

1 year 6 months (18 months)

Date	Location	For Children Born
June 6 (Mon)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	November 1~15 2014
June 7 (Tues)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	November 16~30 2014
June 8 (Wed)	Asahi Kodomokan	November 2014

Includes physical and dental check

3 years

Date	Location	For Children Born
June 21 (Mon)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	May 1~15 2013
June 22 (Tues)	Sogo Fukushi Kaikan	May 15~31 2013
June 23 (Wed)	Asahi Kodomokan	May 2013

Includes physical, vision and hearing check, urine exam.

For more information contact the Kakamigahara Kenko Kanrikan TEL 058-383-1116

Blood Drive in June

There will be an opportunity to donate blood in June!

Saturday, June 11th at the Apita Kakamigahara Store

Morning: 9:30 AM~ 12 Noon / Afternoon: 1:30 PM~ 4:00 PM

City Hall Holiday / After Hours and Services for May:

The Kakamigahara City Hall will have the following irregular hours for the following services in May. Please use the basement entrance located on the North Side of the Main building.

City Tax:

Holiday hours: May 15th (Sun) 10 AM~5 PM

TEL: 058-383-4773

Consultations:

May 10~13 5:15 PM~8 PM (First floor of City Hall, Tax Division)

National Health Insurance Premiums:

Holiday-May 15 (Sun) 1 PM~5 PM

After Hours-May 10~13, May 16th 5:15 PM~ 8 PM (First floor, Citizen's Health Division)

TEL: 058-383-1112

Our Favorite Things Music Festival

July 10th, at the Kakamigahara Kasen Kankyo Rakuen!

This year's summer music festival includes the awesome power of DeadBundy, Ryhmester, Ogre You Asshole, Yogee New Waves and many more! Take a break, come and enjoy some live bands and have a great time in Kawashima!

Advance Tickets go on sale May 1st at the Brand Souzouka office (6th Floor of the Sangyou Bunka Center), and tickets are also available through Family Mart convenience stores and e+ ticket sales.

For more information, please call 058-383-9925

Concerning the Zika Virus

The weather is warming up and that means the mosquitoes are on the way. And certainly, the mosquito-borne Zika virus is the subject of a lot of concern and false information lately. The US Consulate has released an up-to-date list of countries where travelers should avoid or to at least take serious precautions to avoid contracting this virus. Please visit <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/go/Zika.html#larding> for information.

The CDC has more information regarding the current knowledge and ongoing studies of this problem. You can learn more about this virus and its known and suspected links to genetic damage and diseases the virus causes (or is suspected of causing) in adults as well as the unborn and children. Check their website on the Zika virus at: <http://www.cdc.gov/zika/index.html>

Kakamigahara Aerospace and Science Museum

Have you visited since the reopening? You should, and here's another reason:

Lego Robot Workshop!

Build a robot with Legos and use a pc to program it! Try out in Gifu, try and challenge the JAPAN tournament!

June 5th, 12th, 19th (3 times)

Cost is 2,000 yen plus 800 for adults, 300 for elementary or junior high students, 500 yen for seniors.

* **NOTE:** The children who participate must be between elementary 4th grade and junior high 3rd grade, and **MUST** have some computer skills.

Do you have what it takes? There is only room for 20 participants, so act fast!

Registration begins May 5th, call in to sign up or ask questions to the museum, 9:30 AM~ 3 PM, TEL: 058-386-8500 Feel free to inquire about upcoming activities as well!

Citizen's Pool Classes

The Kakamigahara Citizen's Pool will be accepting applicants for pool classes from infants to seniors, beginners to masters and even aqua aerobics-- from April 15~May 13th.

Classes will run from June 11th~ August 9th, and cost 5,700 yen (except for the parent and child class which will be 6000 yen). For more information on times and days, the classes being offered or to register, please feel free to contact the Citizen's Pool at TEL 058-370-6506, FAX 058-370-6507, or of course, at the front desk of the Citizen's Pool directly.

Attention Single Parents

The deadline to sign up for the child care subsidy of 6,000 yen is May, between 5th and the 20th. This subsidy is available to all single parents (mothers, fathers, guardians) who have children up to middle school. Please be sure to bring all necessary documents including evidence of no other sources of income /assistance and your residence in the city. For more information and a list of possible required documentation please call TEL 058-383-1131