

Onsite Cultural Exchange

1. Date and venue

Date: Monday, July 8, 2024
12:45 pm - 4:30 pm
Venue: Yashio High School

2. Participants

All 600 students and 30 teachers from Yashio High School

3. Counterpart

10 students studying Japanese, two chaperons from the Education Ministry, State of Qatar and one moderator from J-MENA Office, Kyushu University

4. Schedule

1. Opening remarks

- Commemorative photos
- Self-introductions

2. Welcome ceremony

- Greetings from the principal
- Speech by a student representative and introduction of Japan and Qatar, performance of Japanese drums

3. Tour of classes

4. Participation in extracurricular club activities

- Japanese drum club, Japanese archery club, and Japanese tea ceremony club

5. Closing ceremony

Tokyo Metropolitan Yashio High School Cultural exchange with Qatari friends



Welcome placard



Japanese drum performance at the welcome ceremony



Sado (Japanese tea ceremony)



Discussion about education

5. Additional information

- ◆ The student representatives welcomed their Qatari friends at the school's entrance gate with a large welcome placard.
- ◆ During a tour of the classes, one class was discussing the geography of Qatar and Qatari friends willingly participated in the question-and-answer sessions in English.
- ◆ At one point, teachers on both sides gathered to exchange opinions about education.
- ◆ The Qatari students also enjoyed experiencing *Bukatsu*, extracurricular club activities, such as Japanese drumming, Japanese archery, and Japanese tea ceremony.