

FY2025 NEWDOOR Higher Education Prep Program Outline

NEWDOOR Higher Education Prep Program is a two-year program aimed at supporting students who are motivated to work hard toward their future and wish to pursue higher education. The program is designed for high school students who hold a residence status such as “dependent” or “official” and face financial difficulties. Since the high school students with those residence status are often excluded from scholarship eligibility, it makes it harder for them to pursue higher education.

In this program, during the second year of high school, students will: (1) reflect on their career and future paths through one-year Career Workshops, and (2) strengthen their Japanese language skills and thinking ability through Japanese Language and Essay Classes. In the third year of high school, students will be able to: (3) receive interview practice and essay editing in preparation for entrance exams if desired, and (4) be able to challenge entrance exams for higher education institutions with the Education Support Fund.

This program is completely free of charge; however, students will need to cover their own transportation expenses to the venue.

【Who glolab look for】

- Students who have a strong desire to pursue higher education
- Students who are thoughtful, take the time to reflect, and have a proactive attitude toward learning.
- Students who can communicate in everyday Japanese

【Qualifications】

- Students with a “dependent” residence status who arrived in Japan after or during junior high school.
- Students with an “official” residence status (for “official”, the timing of their arrival in Japan does not matter).
- Students who face difficulties in receiving scholarships due to their “dependent” or “official” residence status.
- Second-year high school students, or those in a similar educational situation, who wish to take entrance exams for higher education institutions.
- Household income should meet the eligibility criteria for Categories 1 to 3 of JASSO’s pre-admission need-based grant program.

【Details of the program】

The program is consists of four parts

(1) Career Workshops (during the 2nd year of high school)

- The workshops will be held once every two months.
- There will be both in-person and online sessions.
- For in-person sessions:

Students in the Greater Tokyo Area will gather at venues in Tokyo or nearby. Students in the Kansai Area will gather at venues in Osaka.

Students are responsible for covering their own transportation expenses for in-person sessions.

- Attendance at all sessions is mandatory. (*Only the students with an attendance rate of 80% or higher will receive the Education Support Fund.*)
- Below is the tentative schedule for the career workshops. We will notify you of the exact date as soon as it is confirmed.
- We will share the details of the career workshop guest speakers once they are confirmed.

Date	Content	Format
The 3rd weekend of May, 2025	Kick-off. Set and share your ambitions for the year	In person at each location
The 3rd weekend of July, 2025	Understand the expenses associated with entrance exams and pursuing higher education	Online
August, 2025	A hands-on two-day camp where you visit a university and talk to university students and professors	In person *Overnight stay in Tokyo
The 4th weekend of September, 2025	A networking event with a senior guest who has an international background ①	Online
Late October, 2025	Information Session for Parents on residence status and education costs	Online *For parents
The 3rd weekend of November, 2025	A networking event with a senior guest who has an international background ②	Online
The 4th weekend of January, 2026	A networking event with a senior guest who has an international background ③	Online
The 2nd weekend of March, 2026	Reflect on a year of learning	In person at each location
The 2nd weekend of April, 2026	Plan and clarify your vision for how to spend the third year of high school	In person at each location

(2) Japanese language and essay class (during the 2nd year of high school)

- The classes are held online once a month. Aside from the classes, there will be homework assignments.
- The dates for the classes will be decided in consultation with the teacher.
- Attendance at all sessions is mandatory. (*Students with an attendance rate of 80% or higher will be eligible for the Education Support Fund.*)
- Classes will begin in June 2025.
- The content of the lessons will be tailored to the student's Japanese language ability and writing skills.
- Communication with the teacher will take place via LINE.
- A tablet or PC, along with an internet connection, is required (smartphones are not sufficient). If securing a tablet or PC is difficult, please consult with us.
- If desired, students can continue attending the Japanese and writing classes in their 3rd year of high school.

(3) Interview Practice and Essay Editing (during the 3rd year of high school)

- The sessions will be held online approximately once every 2 to 3 months.
- Corporate volunteers will be responsible for the sessions.
- A tablet or PC, along with an internet connection, is required (smartphones are not sufficient). If securing a tablet or PC is difficult, please consult with us.

(4) Education Support Fund

- Students who have an attendance rate of 80% or higher in both the Career Workshops and Japanese/Writing Classes will be eligible for the following three types of financial support:
 1. Entrance exam fees for higher education institutions
 2. Transportation and accommodation fees related to the entrance exams
 3. Other education-related expenses (e.g., part of the admission fee)
- The fund will cover actual costs for the above three items, up to a maximum of 100,000 yen.
- Submission of receipts is required for reimbursement.

【Selection Process】

① Individual Information Session (February to March)

- For both parents and students.
- We will explain the program details.

② Document Submission (February to March)

- Please submit documents showing the parent's salary.

③ Oral Interview (April)

- The interview will be conducted by the organization's board members, coordinators, and relevant staff.
- The interview will be held in person with the student (unless otherwise arranged).

【Program Capacity】

- Total: 6 students (3 from the Greater Tokyo Area and 3 from the Kansai Area)
- Greater Tokyo Area: 3 students (those able to attend the venue in Shinjuku, Tokyo)
- Kansai Area: 3 students (those able to attend the venue in Osaka city)