

# 日本語スピーチコンテスト 2019

# JAPANESE SPEECH CONTEST 2019

**APPLY  
NOW!**

Deadline:  
7 June 2019  
12PM

## CATEGORIES & PRIZES for 1<sup>st</sup> place of each category

### Secondary School

- Japanese Chamber of Commerce & Industry President's Cup
- Attractive Prizes

### Junior College

- The Japanese Association, Singapore President's Cup
- Invitation to Japanese Speech Award Contest in Ehime, Japan with return tickets on 21 July\*

\*Participant must not have stayed in Japan for more than 6 months.

### Tertiary School

- Japanese Cultural Society President's Cup
- Invitation to homestay programme in Japan with return tickets

### Open

- The Japanese Ambassador's Cup
- Invitation to Japanese Speech Presentation Event in Tokyo, Japan with return tickets

**All finalists stand to win attractive prizes!**

## IMPORTANT DATES

- 7 JUNE (FRI) 12:00PM** Deadline for submission of speech script
- 14 JUNE (FRI)** Notification to semi-finalists
- 21 JUNE (FRI) 12:00PM** For semi-finalists: Deadline for submission of audio recording
- 28 JUNE (FRI)** Notification to finalists
- 6 JULY (SAT)** For finalists: Rehearsal and briefing
- 14 JULY (SUN) 10:00AM** **Japanese Speech Contest Finals at The Japanese Association**

## HOW TO APPLY

### STEP 1: Write an original speech script on a topic of your choice\*

- The script should be about equivalent to a 5-min speech (4 min for Secondary Category).
- Your script file should be name "**Category\_Name**" (e.g. "Secondary\_Elaine Lee") for submission.

*\*In the event that a speech shortlisted for the Final Round includes content of a sensitive nature, the Speech Contest Committee reserves the right to request the finalist to make necessary amendments to their speech.*

### STEP 2: Submit your application via email **OR** apply online

#### ❖ Submission via email

Download the application form from the website. Email the (1) completed application form and your (2) speech script to [jsc@jas.org.sg](mailto:jsc@jas.org.sg) with the email subject "**JSC Application**".

#### ❖ Online Application

Go to <https://goo.gl/L5vtvG>. Fill in the form and submit.

For **those below 18**: You are also required to upload signed permission by a parent/guardian. The permission form can be downloaded from the website.

Applications not following the requirements will be asked to resubmit their application.

**Deadline for submission of speech script is 7 June 2019, 12:00PM.**

**Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted.**

## Background of Contest

This contest aims to encourage Japanese language learners to strive for greater excellence as well as deepen understanding and relationships between Singapore and Japan. It was initially developed by the Japanese Cultural Society in 1968 with only the Adult Category. The increase in popularity of studying Japanese as a third language prompted the Japanese Association to organize a Students' Eloquence Contest in 1955. These two contests were then combined in 1996 to form the Japanese Speech Contest and the format has been retained to date.

## Eligibility

Applicants must satisfy the following requirement:

1. Contestant's parents must not be native Japanese.
2. Contestant's first language or mother tongue must not be Japanese.
3. Contestants must be Singaporean, Permanent Resident (PR), or student pass holders in Singapore.
4. For Secondary, Junior College and Tertiary categories, contestants must not have resided in Japan for more than **12** months, and for Open category, contests must not have resided in Japan for more than **24** months (excluding stay in Japan before primary school).
5. Contestants who have previously won first prize in any category in this contest are not eligible to enter the contest in the same category again.
6. Contestants under the age of 18 must obtain parental/guardian's prior consent.

## Tuition

The organising committee offers **FREE** tuition to finalists from all categories. Participants must indicate their request for a tutor in their application. All requests are subject to tutor availability.

## Japan Programme/Homestay

Winners of the Junior College, Tertiary and Open categories may be invited to participate in Japan programmes (including homestay) but are subject to terms and conditions. More details will be provided at a later time.

Website: <http://www.jas.org.sg/event/speechcontest/jsc.html> | Email: [jsc@jas.org.sg](mailto:jsc@jas.org.sg)

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