

To parents/guardians due to enter elementary school

Youth Development Division
Lifelong Learning Department
Higashihiroshima City Office

Information about applying for membership of Iki-Iki Kodomo Clubs
(after-school clubs for children) for the 2026 school year

Thank you for your understanding of and cooperation with the services for after-school child sound upbringing promoted by Higashihiroshima City.

Higashihiroshima City operates a system of after-school clubs for children (known as Iki-Iki Kodomo Clubs). If you fulfill the conditions for eligibility as shown below, and you want your child to join one of the Clubs, please check the details on the application form, etc., and submit the application for membership before the submission deadline. When applying, you will need to submit documents such as a Certificate of Employment, so please prepare these as early as possible.

1 Eligibility

- Eligible children: Those in grades 1 to 6 of elementary school.
- Conditions for membership: Children who cannot spend time with parents or guardians after school because all parents or guardians are working, have a long-term illness, etc. (Details regarding conditions such as working hours will be published sequentially on the website).

2 Application Period (Planned) : Sunday, November 30, 2025 (applications must be received by this date)

※Please be sure to apply before the deadline even if you are unable to get together all the necessary documents.

3 How to apply

Starting with applications for the 2026 school year, submissions will be accepted via online application.

The link for the online application will be posted on the website, so please wait a little longer.

Required documents such as the Certificate of Employment can be attached as electronic data. Please scan or photograph them and attach them to your application.

4 Points to note

- Every year we receive enquiries about it taking time to issue a Certificate of Employment. Please allow plenty of time when asking your workplace to prepare a certificate for you.
- You can make use of a Certificate of Employment you get when applying for nursery school entrance. Please enclose a copy of this with your application. However, Certificates of Employment are only valid if issued within the past three months.
- If you are still looking for work, but you want your child to join a Club from April, please submit the application documents before the application deadline. As soon as you submit your Certificate of Employment, your application will be assessed. Please be aware that depending on vacancies, your child may not be able to be accepted.

Introduction to the Iki-Iki Kodomo Clubs

1 Club opening times and holidays

- Club opening times

On days where there are school lessons	From the end of school lessons until 7 pm	Until the provision of school lunch begins, the child should bring a boxed lunch and a drink
On Saturdays, during long vacations, and on substitute days off	From 8 am to 7 pm	No school lunch is provided, so the child should bring a boxed lunch and a drink

- Membership commencement: New first-grade students can also use the club from April 1st.
- Holidays: Saturdays, Sundays and National Holidays, O-Bon (August 13th to August 15th), Year-end (December 29th to January 3rd)

(At least one club in the catchment area of each junior high school is open on Saturdays. If your child's normal club is closed on Saturdays, as a rule the child can use one of the clubs in the same junior high school catchment area. Please see the list of clubs for details.)

- ※ If you want your child to use the Club on Saturdays, the condition of usage is that parents/guardians are at work on Saturdays on a continuous basis.

2 Usage fees and other necessary expenses

The following usage fees and fees for snacks and materials are payable for each month in which your child is a member of an Iki-Iki Kodomo Club.

	Usage fees	Fees for snacks and materials
Fees	Mon-Fri until 6 p.m.: 3,000 yen per month	Mon-Fri (1 month): 1,500 yen
	Mon-Fri until 7 p.m.: 3,700 yen per month	
	Mon-Sat until 6 p.m.: 4,500 yen per month	Mon-Sat (1 month): 1,800 yen
	Mon-Sat until 7 p.m.: 5,400 yen per month	

Other than the fees above, an annual insurance fee of 800 yen is also payable.

There is a fee exemption system available for households such as those exempt from the municipal resident tax (income-based portion).

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