

SADO

~An Island with unique history and culture~



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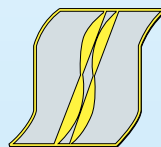
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Introduction of Sado

Sado Island, blessed with unspoiled nature, is located in the Sea of Japan, about 45 km west of Niigata City. It is very famous for its unique history, traditions, and culture.



Photo credit: the Sado Japanese Crested Ibis Conservation Center

1 Toki

Toki, the Japanese crested ibis, is a symbol of Sado. They became extinct in Japan in 2003 but were artificially bred and released into the wild. In 2012, some Toki chicks were born in Japan for the first time in 36 years.

2 Performing Arts

There are many different types of traditional performing arts on Sado. Ondeko Drums, Noh, and traditional folk dances such as Sado Okesa are very popular.



3 Earth Celebration

An international music and arts festival held in August. A lot of people enjoy a variety of music, arts, workshops during the three-day festival.



Cultural and Historic Places

1 Sado Taiko Center (Ogi)

Run by a famous drum group, Kodo. Some of the members kindly teach visitors how to play the drums. It was an enjoyable experience for us.



2 Hakusan-maru (Ogi)

A replica of one of the Kitamae-bune, a north-bound wooden ship used in the Edo Era. We learned this ship was made based on the design preserved in Shukunegi.



3 Shukunegi (Ogi)

A small area designated as a national historic site. Many skillful shipwrights and craftsmen lived here when Ogi was a main port of Sado.



The streets and some of the houses have been preserved for a long time. It seems as if you were walking the streets in the Edo Era.

4 Sado Kinzan (Aikawa)

Formerly, one of the biggest gold mines in the world. They produced 70 tons of gold and 2,330 tons of silver for about 400 years. Together with other sites it entered the tentative list of World Heritage Sites in 2010. We hope it will be designated as a World Heritage Site in the near future.



Toki



Okesa Gaki



Yellowtail Burikatsudon



Ondeko Drums



Sado-Okesa



Tarai Bune



SADO SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

校訓 School Values

- 自主自律 Self-Determination
- 求真窮理 The Pursuit of Truth
- 協調責任 Cooperative Responsibility
- 誠実感謝 Sincere Gratitude



There are about 581 students and five classes in each grade. Sado Senior High School is the highest level senior high school on Sado, so many students study hard in order to take advantage for the future.

Daily schedule

We have six classes Mondays through to Wednesdays and seven classes on Thursdays and Fridays. Each period lasts for 55 minutes:

Periods Time	Time	Examples of schedule (2nd grade)	
Short Home Room	8:25 ~ 8:35	Liberal arts program	Science program
1st	8:40 ~ 9:35	Social history or Geography	Geography
2nd	9:45 ~ 10:40	Mathematics	ENGLISH
3rd	10:50 ~ 11:45	ENGLISH	Classical Japanese
Lunch	11:45 ~ 12:30		
4th	12:30 ~ 13:25	Mathematics	Mathematics
5th	13:35 ~ 14:30	Classical Japanese	Science
6th	14:40 ~ 15:35	ENGLISH	Japanese
(7th)	(15:45 ~ 16:35)		
Cleaning	15:35 ~ 15:55 (16:35 ~ 16:55)		

Activities

Club Activities

There are 26 clubs for the students to join, such as track and field, tea ceremony, karate, etc. The clubs are high achieving and many students compete on a national level. It seems that we all participate in our clubs with enthusiasm, though we study equally hard. When each activity finishes, we clean the place together. A small thing like that is called 'NINGENRYOKU' (social skills power). The accumulation of small things makes us strong so we take it very seriously. We are proud of being a part of Sado High School's clubs.

Sado Senior High School was founded on October 21, 1896. The school is located on the site of an old Samurai castle on a hill. Because of that, our school is surrounded by nature. The upper floors of the buildings command a panoramic view of our main region. We can see both the beautiful sea and the fresh greenery at once. These wonderful sights are one of the features of our school.



Many students go to the school store, which is open for only thirty minutes, to buy some bread, rice balls etc. During lunch time, many kinds of meals are sold at low prices. Among these, the most popular meal is the "shrimp cutlet burger". They are so delicious that they're sold out in a minute.



Karate



Tea Ceremony



Track and Field





HAMOCHI SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

FOUNDED : Aug 30, 1934 COURSE : Full-time, General NUMBER OF STUDENTS : 221 (May 1, 2012)



<SCHOOL MOTTO>

Easy and fun learning in classes To keep students motivated.

<STUDENT VOICE>

Hello everybody. I am the president of the student council of Hamochi Senior High School. I will explain our school. The greeting of the students is very good. In addition, we are active in the club activity, and practice hard day after day. We have succeeded in the field of many presentations. Hamochi Senior High School has a lot of good points. School life has been enhanced, so much fun.



<SCHOOL EVENTS>



Marathon



School festival



Sports festival

<CLUB ACTIVITIES>

SPORTS: Track and Field, Baseball, Basketball, Badminton, Soft Tennis

CULTURAL: Fine Arts, Photograph, Local Folk Performance, Literature

Local Folk Performance



Minami Kazama (The first-year student)

I'm a member of the local folk performance club. It's a club that performs folk song of Sado.

I've ever stood the stage as a dancer many times since I belonged to this club. We express the beauty of nature and history of Sado through dancing and singing. All we performed is a happy memory. I think I want to make many people smile through this activity.



AIKAWA SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



The Seasons: From the hill of Aikawa Senior High School, you can see four beautiful seasons.

In spring many cherry trees are in full bloom.

In summer the sea is shining and in fall various trees are autumn colored.

In winter, the mountains nearby have cherry trees without leaves. You can even see the rough waves of the Sea of Japan. The quick changes of the seasons can truly be felt.



Club Activities: In Aikawa Senior High School we put in effort not only in studying, but also in club activities. We have baseball club, track and field club, basketball club, badminton club and volleyball club. We also have cultural clubs, such as brass band, animated cartoon, natural science, photography, and tea ceremony and flower arrangement.

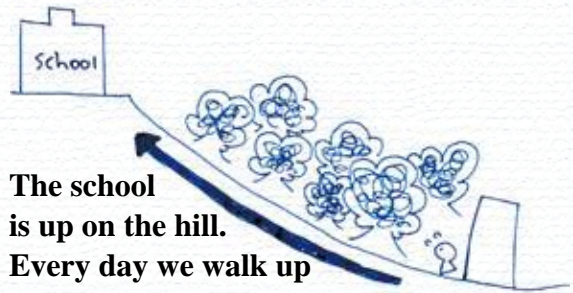
Although the number of students in club activities is small we don't lose against other schools.



CLUB ACTIVITIES

Sports Club	Ⓚ Baseball	Ⓛ Volleyball	Ⓛ Basketball
	Ⓛ Track and field	Ⓛ Badminton	Ⓛ Swimming
Culture Club	🎵 Brass band	🎨 Animated cartoon	
	🍵 Tea ceremony	📷 Photo graph	🌟 Natural science

The School Emblem: The golden character "高", which stands for "senior high school", is at the center, embraced by three "A"s, the initial of "Aikawa Senior High School." The three pen points which imply culture, extend radiately, each representing "Truth," "Virtue," and "Beauty."



The school is up on the hill. Every day we walk up the steep slope toward our school and that already is a life lesson.

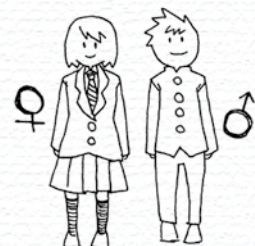


About the School: Our school is a traditional school which reaches its 90th anniversary this year.

Our school is a small scale school where each grade has two classes, a total of six classes, but taking that as an educational advantage, we have a characteristic educational system.

In addition, in school events such as the Sports Festival, the Culture Festival and the Ball Game Competition, the student council takes responsibility and plans and organizes the events. Our school is small, thus the distance between the students and teachers is close and family like. The atmosphere is full of smiles and laughters.

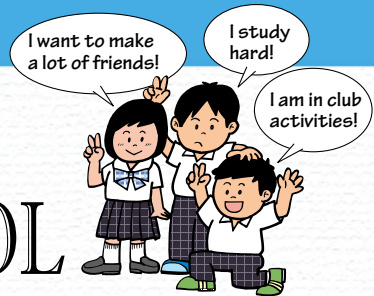
Aiko-hatsu Friendship Project: The student council has been taking the initiative to give support to the people in Tohoku. Fund-raising on the street or at school and donating money using vending machines are examples of this project.



Written by 3rd grade students



SADOSOUGOU SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



School Mottos

Sincerity, Steadiness, Working, Discipline, Improvement



Course Characters



Distinctive features of our school

1 Liberal Arts Course

Students learn Japanese, geography and history, English, mathematics and science to broaden their knowledge and cultivate the power of understanding.



2 Agricultural Product Processing Course

Students learn agricultural subjects such as flowering plants, food production and comprehensive practice to play an active role in the agricultural field.



3 Environmental Engineering Course

Students learn electrical technology, mathematics and science for industry, civil engineering work and so on to acquire the skills to work in the industrial society.



4 Business & Information Course

Students learn bookkeeping and accounting, information processing, business laws and regulations, etc. to obtain qualifications and acquire knowledge and techniques for the business world.



5 Life & Welfare Course

Students learn clothes manufacturing, development and child care, nursing at home, welfare, daily life as a consumer, and so on to work in the fields of the improvement for living conditions or social welfare.



6 Regional Study Course

Students learn about the abundant and rich natural environment, traditional crafts, history, and the culture of Sado Island.



School Events

April Opening Ceremony, Entrance Ceremony, Welcome Ceremony Orientation

May Student Council Assembly, Emergency Drill, High School Sports Tournaments

June Sports festivals, Midterm Examinations

July Ball Games Guidance for Integrated Studies Working Experience (2nd Graders)

August Certifying Examinations, Trial Experience for Junior High School Students

September Term Examinations, Closing Ceremony

October Opening Ceremony, School Excursion (2nd Graders)

November School Festival, Election of the Student Council Staff

December Midterm Examinations, Ball Games

January Certifying Examinations

February Final Examinations

March Graduation Ceremony, High School Entrance Examination, Closing Ceremony, Farewell Ceremony



Sports Festival [Angry Waves of Sado]



School Festival [Jyouzuka Festival]



SADO SECONDARY SCHOOL



This school was founded as the seventh secondary school in Niigata prefecture in the spring of 2008. It has been five years since its establishment.

The emblem of our school shown above represents our school slogan, "Catch the WAVES!" Based on the slogan, we aim to nurture students with pride in the history and culture of Sado Island, deep humanity, accumulated knowledge and global perspective through our six-year curriculum. As action worthy of special mention, Sado Secondary School has set unique subjects such as "Noh Play", which is classical Japanese musical drama originated in the 14th century.

1. To build high academic competence in order to achieve self-fulfillment



In-school lessons



Study camp



Study camp is a precious experience because we can study with friends. We studied whole two days to learn how to prepare for the next year. We found that studying is very important and even fun. It's the good opportunity to improve ourselves.

2. Career education



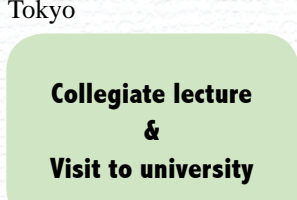
Visit to Kyoto University



Visit to The University of Tokyo



Collegiate lecture



The University of Tokyo was so beautiful that we couldn't believe we were in a university. We asked the university students what we wanted to know. We had valuable experience.

3. To foster deep humanity and global perspective



Study Trip to Australia



Orientation camp



We went on a study trip to Australia. We enjoyed staying with our host family, swimming in the beautiful sea and so on. We all spent the wonderful time.

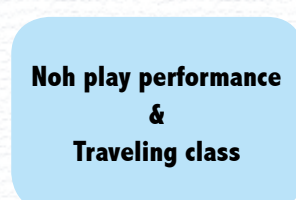
4. To foster cooperative attitude toward communal activities and affection for their hometowns



Noh play performance

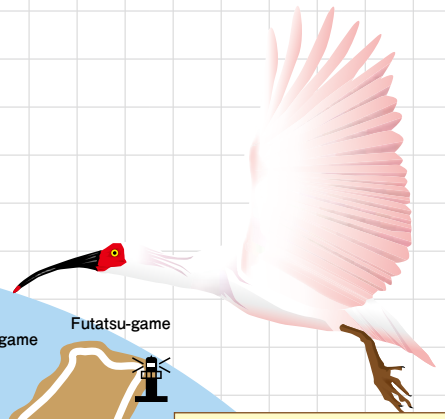


Traveling class



Since we have to sit on our heels during the noh play practice, our legs fall asleep. But learning noh play with classmates is a lot of fun. We can learn about Japanese culture through it.

Map of Sado



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