

Online Cultural Exchange

Tokyo Metropolitan Hachioji School for the Blind Online cultural exchange with Taiwanese friends

1. Date and venue

Date: Friday, November 8, 2024

11:00 am to 11:40 am

Venue: Hachioji School for the Blind

2. Participants

7 students in third to sixth grade

3. Counterpart

6 second to sixth grade students from
Taichung School for the Visually Impaired
Taichung, Taiwan

4. Schedule

1. Opening remarks by the principal of Taichung School
2. Quiz on Japan and Hachioji
 - Japanese food, events, famous places
 - Hachioji and school activities
3. Taichung students' presentation on Taiwanese food, famous places, Taiwanese events, and lifestyle
4. Singing
5. Rock-paper-scissors tournament
6. Farewell



Quiz given by Hachioji students
to Taichung students



Hachioji students (top) and
Taichung students (bottom)

5. Additional information

- ◆ This was an exchange between students with visual impairments. The teachers on both sides facilitated in English and the students gave their presentations in English.
- ◆ The Taiwanese students enthusiastically answered the quiz questions and cheered when they got a correct answer. The abundance of their knowledge of Japan was impressive.
- ◆ Students from both schools sang songs. The Taichung students sang an anime song in Japanese that they had practiced in their school's karaoke room.
- ◆ The students became even closer once they knew they both enjoyed singing.
- ◆ The rock-paper-scissors tournament was held by having the students call out their hands in English. The students jumped for joy when they won.