

Onsite Cultural Exchange

Tokyo Metropolitan Shakujii High School Cultural exchange with American friends

1. Date and venue

Date: Thursday, November 7, 2024
10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Venue: Shakujii High School

2. Participants

280 second year students and about six teachers and others

3. Counterpart

Eight students and four teachers, Roosevelt High School, Hawaii, United States

4. Schedule

1. Welcome ceremony
2. Participation in assembly for second-year students
3. Participation in English class
4. Lunch with buddy
5. Kendo experience
6. Farewell party with traditional Japanese games



Hula dance by the students from Hawaii



Learning *kendo*

5. Additional information

- ◆ After playing a video showcasing Shakujii High School during the welcome ceremony, Japanese students appointed as “buddies” to take care of American friends introduced themselves.
- ◆ The grade assembly for the second-year students was held in the gymnasium where the Roosevelt students introduced themselves and performed a hula dance. All the Shakujii High School second year students also tried to do a hula dance.
- ◆ The Roosevelt students took part in a kendo lesson as a way of experiencing Japanese culture.
- ◆ During the farewell party, the students enjoyed playing traditional Japanese games such as *daruma-otoshi* (knocking over wooden blocks) and *bozu-mekuri* (card game).