

## **NIHONGO Video Contest 2021**

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### **1. About the Contest**

**i) Is this a new contest?**

No. This is a redesigned competition from our annual Skit Contest. Some of the components are the same such as the video entry submission, which features Japanese language learners using their conversational skills in Japanese.

**ii) Will there be a Skit Contest as well this year?**

No. The NIHONGO Video Contest is replacing Skit Contest until further notice.

**iii) What is the difference between the Skit Contest and the NIHONGO Video Contest?**

The NIHONGO Video Contest does not limit the participants to only acting in skits. Participants are allowed to create different styles of video presentation such as documentaries, promotional videos and others as long as it adheres to all the content requirements.

#### **2. Participation**

**i) Who can join the NIHONGO Video Contest?**

The Nihongo Video Contest is open to all Malaysian Japanese language learners who are over the age of 17 and no longer a student at any secondary schools (or equivalent). All participants must be currently undergoing a Japanese language lesson/course/class at any learning institutions such as university, language centres, Japanese language society and so on.

**ii) Can people who is learning from private tutors/self-study participate?**

No. Participants must be affiliated with an established institution.

**iii) Can people from different institutions form a team?**

Yes. A team can be formed even if the members are not affiliated with the same institution. However, the team members need to fill in separate entry forms and get validations from the respective institutions they are affiliated with.

**iv) I lived in Japan when I was young, but my parents and myself are Malaysian. Can I still join?**

Yes. As long as Japanese is not your native language and you fulfil the eligibility criteria listed for this contest.

#### **3. Video Entries**

**i) I'm too shy to show my face in the video. Can I just do voice-over throughout the video or produce an animation video?**

No. You have to feature yourself using your Japanese conversational skill. Slight voice-over or some animation are permissible, but must not be the majority of the entire video length.

**ii) I don't like the theme. Can I do something else?**

No. All video submissions must follow the theme of the year. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.

**4. Submission**

**i) Do I have to upload my video entry on Youtube/ I don't have a Gmail account, can I submit my entry using another method?**

No. All entries must be uploaded to Google drive and the videos must be set to "everyone with the link can view/download". The link to the video must be included in the submission form and submitted by 11.59PM on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022.

**ii) Do I need to submit the video hardcopy/ Can I submit my entry by post?**

No. The NIHONGO Video Contest registration and submission are all done online.

For more information about the contest, please visit our website at <https://www.jfkl.org.my/events/2021-nihongo-video-contest/> or scan the QR code

