



Dear Arlington friends,

School	Grade	Class	Name	Message
Nagaoka Junioir High School	2	2	Kotaro Sato	Nagaokakyo city has many traditional buildings. For example, Nagaoka Tenmagu, which enshrines the God of learning, is famouse in our city.
Nagaoka Junioir High School	2	3	Haruka Arika	There are many special product in Nagaokakyo-city. For example, there are bamboo shoot and Kirishima azalea. Kirishima azalea is beautiful flower. I hope that arlington's students come Nagaokakyo-city.
Nagaoka Junioir High School	2	2	Yuuka Dei	Many people work hard at club activities after school. At the event, sports festival is the enjoyest event. I think club activity counter relay is everyone can enjoy.
Nagaoka Junioir High School	2	1	Yuri Harada	Hello! We are going to go Shizuoka, Mt. Fuji for the school trip in May. I'm looking forward to my school trip.
Nagaoka Junioir High School	2	3	Monami Nishikawa	I love Nagaokakyo city. Because there is a deep connection with local people here. I will show you around when you come to this town.
Nagaoka Junioir High School	2	2	Yuka Shirai	Nagaoka Tenmangu shrine is the god of learning is enshrined at Nagaokakyo-city. When you come to Japan visit there.
Nagaoka Junioir High School	2	5	Ririko Umay	Hello! I ama very happy to write a message to you. I hope I can go to your city someday. As you know, we are restricted because of Corona virus but just hang in there!



Hello!

I' m Otama-chan, the mascot character of Nagaokakyo City!

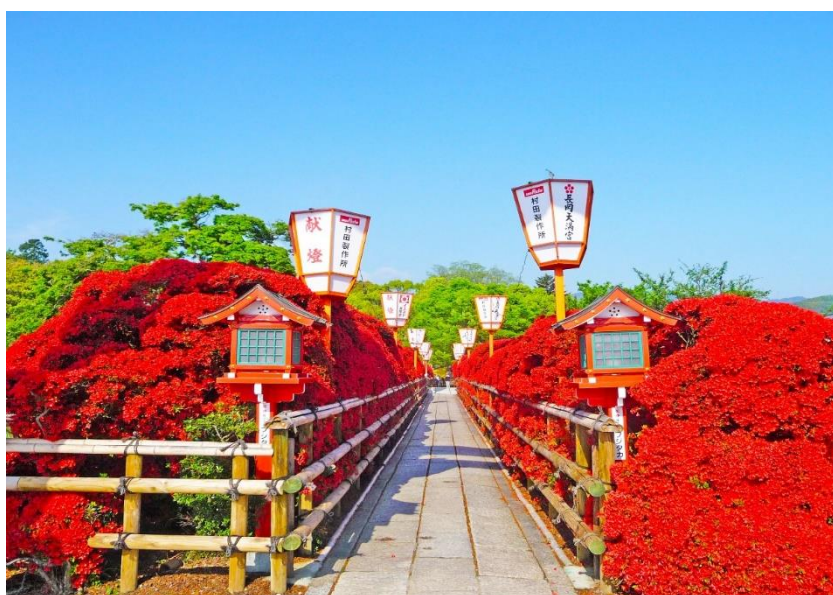
Nagaoka Junioir High School	2	5	Miyu Nakano	Nagaokakyo-city is a historic city with a lot of nature. Above all, the Krishima azalea that blooms at Nagaoka Tenmangu in May is very beautiful. If you have a chane to come to Japan, please come viit us.
Nagaoka Junioir High School	2	5	Koharu Noguchi	Nagaokakyo City has various history and there are many temples. There are also famous foods such as bamboo shoots. It is rich in nature and has many charm.
Nagaoka Junioir High School	2	4	Noa Araga	Many students are kind and cheerful. We have good teamwork and friendship. Nagaokakyo city have many nature. It's very beautiful and makes you calm. We want to meet you. We looking for meet you someday.
Nagaoka Second Junioir High School	1	5	Ryota Aoyama	We have Kyushoku(lunch)time in our school. We all have same lunch in the classroom. Kyushoku is very good, and the time is interesting.
Nagaoka Second Junioir High School	1	5	Kan Ikegami	Nagaokakyo City has many temples. Because It was once the capital of Japan and has a long history. Please come to Nagaokakyo City!
Nagaoka Second Junioir High School	1	3	Sae Shimizu	Our school has many friendly students! They are interesting and kind. So, please come to schools in Nagaokakyo city!
Nagaoka Second Junioir High School	1	5	Junsei Ono	Hello. My name is Junsei. Do you know takenoko? It is bamboo shoot. It is one of the specialties in Nagaokakyo. Please come to Nagaokakyo and eat it. It is very delicious.



This little bird is called a *mejiro*, which literally means “the white color around the eyes” in Japanese.

Nagaokakyo City is famous for its delicious bamboo shoots, or *takenoko* in Japanese. They are grown from the roots of these beautiful green bamboo trees.

Nagaoka Third Junior High School	2	4	Suzuha Ueda	Hello everyone. Do you know Nagaokakyo City? Nagaokakyo City is in Nagaoka Tenmangu Shrine. It is a shrine to a god of learning and flowers of the season. it is very beautiful. Everyone should go there.
Nagaoka Third Junior High School	2	4	Shoji Kugai	Hello everyone at Arlington. How about your junior high school? My class is always liely and fun. Nagaokakyo was once the capital. Please come when the coronavirus has settled down.
Nagaoka Third Junior High School	2	1	Suzuna Kitagawa	What is the most fun thing about your school life? I enjoy club activities the most. Club activities with friends are the best memories. Always smile and have a good school life!
Nagaoka Third Junior High School	1	1	Kanon Doi	The four junior high school brass bands in Nagaokakyo are very strong. Nagaokakyo City was the capital for ten years in the Heian period. Junior high school in Nagaokakyo work on by iPads.
Nagaoka Third Junior High School	2	1	Fuminori Morishima	Hello. Do you know the word Bunbu ryodo? This word means that I will do my best in club activities and study. Nagaoka third Junior High School is able to carry out these words. Also, bamboo shoots are famous in Nagaokakyo City! Thank you for watching!
Nagaoka Third Junior High School	2	4	Otohiko Uji	Nagaokakyo-city is an area where you can enjoy the nature of the four seasons, and you can see the beautiful nature. Nagaokakyo-city has a lot of history, and the castle in Nagaokakyo-city has a history full of romance. Please come visit us.
Nagaoka Third Junior High School	2	4	Nichika Sato	Hello everyone! Have you ever been to Nagaokakyo-city? In Nagaokakyo-city, there is a place called Syoryujijo. You can enjoy the autumn colors there. By all means, everyone please try and go.



These beautiful red flowers are a special variety of azaleas called *Kirishima tsutsuji*. They are in full bloom during the spring season.



Nagaoka Third Junior High School	1	1 Yume Nishida	The Nagaokakyo is famous for "Garasya festival." Some street the people do traditional dance. Others we can buy delicious food at open space. Some ather time, please come to here.
Nagaoka Third Junior High School	2	1 Koharu Uchihira	I enjoy every day at a very energetic school even in the COVID 19. How about there? I'm sorry I can't meet you in COVID 19. There are many wonderful places in Japan. I'll show you someday!
Nagaoka Third Junior High School	2	1 Riko Nakagawa	Nice to meet you! Nagaokakyo is a wonderful city with abundant nature. And, There was a capital of Japan many years ago. Please come to Nagaokakyo city. And I want to go to your city. Let's do our best to hope for the end of the Covit-19.
Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	1	4 Suzue Mori	Hello. I live in Nagaokakyo City is famous for bamboo shoot. For example, you can buy bamboo shoot macarons. Also you can eat bamboo shoot dishes in spring. They are very delicious! What is famous in you town?
Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	1	4 Yuzuki Nakazawa	Do you know Japanese famous snaks? For example, Takenokonosato, kitkat and Happy tarn. Because sprinkle delisious solt it. People call majick powder. It's solty. Let's try!
Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	1	1 Saya Makimura	Hello!! I write about Nagaoka Daiyon Junior high school uniform. We always wear school uniform at school. It's very cute. Let's warm Nagaoka Daiyon Junior high school uniform.
Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	1	1 Hinata Tokuzumi	Nagaokakyo city is very good place. You can see kirishima azalea whe spring comes. It is very beautifull flower. Please come visit Nagaokakyo city.
Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	1	3 Wakana Hazui	Hellow. We are junior high school student of Nagaokakyo City. We enjoy junior high school student life very much. Some belong to sport club others belong to cultural club. Our school has school lunch. Does you school have school lunch?



In December and January, we have a winter light festival in front of Nagaokakyo Station. Many people come and enjoy this beautiful illumination.



Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	1	3	Mao Omori	My junior high school has 6 hours. One hour is 45 minutes. And, vacation time is 10 minutes. We eat lunch after four hours. We have 20 minutes vacation after lunch. Please come to my junior high school!
Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	1	1	Mitsuki Kita	Hello! I am a student of Nagaoka Daiyon Junior High School. I am very sad that it is difficult to interact with you now because of the coronavirus. We are cheerful and happy everyday! :-) How are you spending your time in Arlington? :o Nagaokakyo City is famous for bamboo shoots. ^^^ I wish everyone in Arlington would try it! :3 The people are also very friendly! I hope one day we can interact as soon as the situation calms down. *<<< We will wait until that day! ^-^ ♪
Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	1	3	Yurine Matsuura	Nagaokakyo has a long history. So, there are a lot of temples. In summer, there is summer in many temples. People wear Yukata. It is a traditional Japanese culture. What is Arlington's traditional culture? Please tell me.
Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	2	3	Hikaru Ueshima	Nagaokakyo city's charm: -Bamboo shoots are famous. -There are big companies. -It was the capital of Japan for 10 years in the 8th century.
Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	2	4	Hayato Matsui	Nagaokakyo city is rich in nature. Our school is on the hill. So you can see the greatest view. When we take a class, we can here bird singing.
Nagaoka Fourth Junior High School	2	2	Shoko Nakamura	The special product of Nagaokakyo City is bamboo shoots. You can eat bamboo shoots at the junior high school lunch. It has a good texture and is delicious with little habit. It is recommended to boil and eat with kelp. Bamboo shoots in Kyoto are white and beautiful. I definitely want you to try it.



This is Shoryuji Castle. We have the *Garasha Matsuri*, or Hosokawa Garasha Festival, in the surrounding neighborhood. Some enthusiastic people wear traditional Japanese dress and walk in a parade around Nagaokakyo City.

