

## Announcement of EIKEN Test Dates: 2022-2023 Academic Year

Thank you for your continued patronage of Eiken Foundation products and services. We are pleased to announce that the EIKEN Test in Practical English Proficiency (EIKEN) examination schedule for the 2022-2023 academic year has been decided. Please refer to the table below.

### EIKEN Test Dates: 2022-2023 Academic Year

		Summer Session	Fall Session	Winter Session	
Application period		4/1 (Fri) ~ 5/6 (Fri)	8/1 (Mon) ~ 9/8 (Thu)	11/1 (Tue) ~ 12/15 (Thu)	
Test dates	First stage	Public sites	6/5 (Sun) ※ Overseas: 6/4 (Sat)	10/9 (Sun) ※ Overseas: 10/8 (Sat)	(2023) 1/22 (Sun) ※ Overseas: 1/21 (Sat)
		Group sites ※1	A: 5/27 (Fri) B: 5/28 (Sat) C: 5/29 (Sun) D: 6/3 (Fri) ※2 E: 6/4 (Sat) ※2 F: 6/5 (Sun) ※2 G: 6/18 (Sat) Grades 4/5 only	A: 9/30 (Fri) B: 10/1 (Sat) C: 10/2 (Sun) D: 10/7 (Fri) ※2 E: 10/8 (Sat) ※2 F: 10/9 (Sun) ※2 G: 10/22 (Sat) Grades 4/5 only	A: 1/13 (Fri) B: 1/14 (Sat) C: 1/15 (Sun) D: 1/20 (Fri) ※2 E: 1/21 (Sat) ※2 F: 1/22 (Sun) ※2 G: 2/4 (Sat) Grades 4/5 only
			※1: For group sites, <u>select one date only from A to G.</u> ※2: Dates D,E,F include overseas sites and accommodations for persons with disabilities.		
	Second stage	Public sites ※3	A: 7/3 (Sun) All grades (worldwide) B: 7/10 (Sun) Grades 2/3 C: 7/17 (Sun) Grades 1/Pre-1	A: 11/6 (Sun) All grades (worldwide) B: 11/13 (Sun) Grades 2/3 C: 11/23 (public holiday) Grades 1/Pre-1	A: 2/19 (Sun) All grades (worldwide) B: 2/26 (Sun) Grades 2/3 C: 3/5 (Sun) Grades 1/Pre-1
		Group sites	A: 7/3 (Sun) B: 7/10 (Sun) } Select 1 date: either A or B	A: 11/6 (Sun) B: 11/13 (Sun) } Select 1 date: either A or B	A: 2/19 (Sun) B: 2/26 (Sun) } Select 1 date: either A or B
Pass/fail notification (online)	First stage	6/20 (Mon) ※Group sites (G date) only: 7/5 (Tue)	10/24 (Mon) ※Group sites (G date) only: 11/8 (Tue)	2/6 (Mon) ※Group sites (G date) only: 2/21 (Tue)	
	Second stage	A: 7/12 (Tue) B: 7/19 (Tue) C: 7/26 (Tue)	A: 11/15 (Tue) B: 11/22 (Tue) C: 12/2 (Fri)	A: 2/28 (Tue) B: 3/7 (Tue) C: 3/14 (Tue)	
Pass/fail notification (by post)	First stage	6/28 (Tue) ※Group sites (G date) only: 7/12 (Tue)	11/1 (Tue) ※Group sites (G date) only: 11/15 (Tue)	2/14 (Tue) ※Group sites (G date) only: 2/28 (Tue)	
	Second stage	A: 7/19 (Tue) B: 7/26 (Tue) C: 8/2 (Tue)	A: 11/22 (Tue) B: 11/29 (Tue) C: 12/9 (Fri)	A: 3/7 (Tue) B: 3/14 (Tue) C: 3/22 (Wed)	

#### [Regarding the schedule]

In response to the spread of COVID-19 that began last year, Eiken has throughout this year continued to conduct testing at our public and group test sites nationwide under guidelines to help prevent the spread of the virus.

Although the emergency declarations that had been issued in various parts of the country have

recently been lifted and vaccinations are underway in each municipality, according to the views of experts, there are concerns about a new coronavirus strain, and it will be necessary to continue to wear masks and thoroughly disinfect hands in the coming year. Judging from the fact that a certain degree of impact from COVID remains possible, and that the situation still does not allow for optimism, we have set this examination schedule based on the assumption that the impact of the pandemic will continue into the new academic year, with the primary concern being the safety of examinees.

Accordingly, in order to prevent the loss of test-taking opportunities in rare cases that we are unable to administer the test at public sites in some areas due to the COVID situation, we have allocated seven test dates per session for group test sites and will continue to request the cooperation of the institutions that administer the approximately 20,000 group sites nationwide to open their sites to individual applicants.

#### **Summary of test-administration policies for the 2022-2023 Academic Year**

- **Seven dates for the first stage at group test sites (select one date from A to G)**

Due to the effects of the pandemic, some organizations (schools, cram schools, companies, etc.) may need to change their originally scheduled events, and cases will likely arise where test dates overlap with events. Therefore, in order to minimize the loss of test-taking opportunities for examinees, we have allocated seven dates for group test sites, as in the 2021-22 academic year, from which organizations can choose one date that best suits their schedule.

- **Notification regarding group test sites that accept individual applicants**

We will post a list on our website of organizations nationwide that accept individual applicants at group test sites. Even in the unlikely event that the organization to which you belong (school, cram school, company, etc.) does not offer the EIKEN tests, you may select another nearby site and take the test there.

Finally, as it is difficult to predict what the situation will be like next year, in the event that unforeseen circumstances such as the COVID pandemic necessitate changes in the above information, we will post the details on our website as soon as possible.