

2022 Academic Year EIKEN, EIKEN S-SBT, EIKEN S-Interview Test Fees (Price Reduction)

The Eiken Foundation of Japan (Eiken) (Chairman: Koichi Matsukawa, Address: 55 Yokodera-machi, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, hereinafter "Eiken") is pleased to announce that the examination fees for the EIKEN Test in Practical English Proficiency ("EIKEN", "EIKEN S-CBT" and "EIKEN S-Interview") have been determined for the 2022 academic year.

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Application type		First stage	Second stage	1	Pre-1	2	Pre-2	3	4 *2	5 *2	
Individual/ group		Public	Public	Public	11,800円	9,800 円	8,400 円 (2021: 9,700円)	7,900 円 (2021: 9,200円)	6,400 円 (2021: 7,900円)	,	3,900 円 (2021: 4,500円)
EIKEN	Group	Group ①	Group	Public	_		6,400円	5,700円	4,700 円 (2021: 4,800円)	2,900 円 (2021: 2,900円)	2,500 円 (2021: 2,500円)
		Group ②	Group	Group*1		ĺ	6,000円	5,300 円 (2021: 5,400円)	4,300 円 (2021: 4,400円)	2,900 円 (2021: 2,900円)	2,500 円 (2021: 2,500円)
		Group ③	Public	Group*1	_	_	8,000円	7,500 円 (2021: 8,800円)	6,000円	,	,
[EIKEN S-CBT]			Test (Center	_	9,900円	9,000円	8,500 円 (2021: 8,700円)	7,200 円 (2021: 7,400円)	_	_
「EIKEN S-Interview」			accommodation	ing testing ons for persons abilities	11,900 円 (2021: 12,100円)	9,900 円 (2021: 10,200円)	9,000 円 (2021: 9,200円)	8,500 円 (2021: 8,700円)	7,200 円 (2021: 7,400円)	_	_

 ${\sf Group} \ {\small \textcircled{1}} \ {\sf Candidates} \ {\sf take} \ {\sf the} \ {\sf first} \ {\sf stage} \ {\sf at} \ {\sf a} \ {\sf group} \ {\sf test} \ {\sf site} \ {\sf and} \ {\sf the} \ {\sf second} \ {\sf stage} \ {\sf at} \ {\sf a} \ {\sf public} \ {\sf test} \ {\sf site}.$

Group②: Candidates take both stages at a group test site.

Group③: Candidates take the first stage at a public test site and the second stage at a group test site.

*1: Group test sites must meet a specified minimum number of applicants.

*2: The second stage is not administered for Grades 4 and 5.

Please refer to the Appendix for the background of the decision.

The effects of the COVID-19 pandemic are expected to continue into 2022. Eiken will continue to make every effort to ensure the safety of examinees and staff at each test site in the coming academic year, and we will take careful measures to prevent the spread of infection based on the foundation's own guidelines for preventing the spread of infection, which are in line with the industry guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare; the Ministry of Education, Culture,

Sports, Science and Technology; and the National Organization for the Promotion of Certified Examinations.

For individuals planning to take the EIKEN tests in the coming year, we ask for your continued cooperation in following the infection prevention measures designated by Eiken.

Appendix

Background

Due to the impact of the COVID pandemic, the cost of administering the EIKEN tests has risen, and we regretfully informed test takers that examination fees would be increased for the 2021 academic year.

* Refer to the press release below for details (requires Japanese):
EIKEN, EIKEN S-SBT, EIKEN S-Interview Test Fees for 2021 Academic Year (February 5, 2021)
https://www.eiken.or.jp/association/info/2021/pdf/20210205_info_eikenfees2021_1.pdf

However, in order to remedy this situation, Eiken began implementing new measures early in the year, including business innovations to reduce operating costs and safety accommodations to enable us to continue providing the same opportunities to take the EIKEN tests as were available before the pandemic.

Furthermore, regarding the EIKEN S-CBT, in addition to integrating it with the EIKEN CBT, and taking into account test-taker feedback and other factors, we have adopted new measures this year with the aim of reducing costs and further improving operational quality.

Examples of these measures are detailed below:

[Measures introduced in the 2021 academic year]

● EIKEN

- ·Substantial increase in test dates for each testing session
- ·Expanding the number and quality of test sites
- Opening group test sites to individual applicants
 (→Made possible by the cooperation and understanding of group test sites nationwide)

● EIKEN S-CBT

- •Achieving higher test-center utilization rates through careful supply-and-demand adjustments
- Process-improvement initiatives

As a result, during the 2021 academic year, despite the COVID situation, we were able to offer the EIKEN tests to every candidate who applied, without needing to restrict the number of test takers that could be accommodated.

With the emergence of new strains, the impact of COVID in the future is still uncertain, and the costs of providing the tests remain high. On the other hand, based on the success of various measures this year, and with the completion of the 2021 fall testing session, the prospects for future income and expenditure are roughly clear.

In light of the above, and taking into account the potential impact of the COVID situation, we have calculated the cost of administering the test and set the examination fees for the next academic year as detailed above.