

# 2020 NATIONAL JAPAN BOWL® REGISTRATION GUIDE



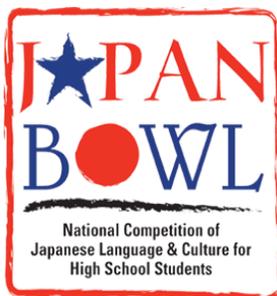
**The National 4-H Conference Center  
Site of the 2020 National Japan Bowl**

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# Planning for the 2020 National Japan Bowl A Quick Guide

## Important Dates and Deadlines

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| Friday, December 6, 2019               | Deadline for Early Registration*                 |
| Friday, January 10, 2020               | Deadline for Receipt of All Applications         |
| Friday, January 17, 2020               | Responses to JASWDC questions are due            |
| Friday, January 24, 2020               | Notification of Approval by JASWDC               |
| Friday, January 31, 2020               | Deadline for Student Observer Applications       |
| Friday, February 7, 2020               | Deadline for hotel reservation request           |
| Friday, February 7, 2020               | Deadline for Submitting Friends & Family Forms   |
| Friday, February 21, 2020              | Deadline for hotel reservation payment           |
| Friday, March 13, 2020                 | Deadline for Chaperone and Student Substitutions |
| <b>Thursday/Friday April 2-3, 2020</b> | <b>National Japan Bowl Competition</b>           |

*\* If a team applies before the early bird registration date of December 6, 2019, the \$65 fee for ONE teacher per school (but not for a non-teacher chaperone) will be waived.*

## Participation, Lodging, and Meal Prices

### Participation fees:

Participation fees are as follows:

- Student registration fee - \$65 (per person)
- Chaperone registration fee - \$65 (per person)
- Observer registration fee - \$65 (per person)
- Friends/family registration fee - \$65 (per person)
- Team registration fee - \$65 (per team)

### Lodging fees for one night:

- Single - \$145
- Double - \$76 (per person)
- Triple/Quad - \$58 (per person)

### Meal Prices:

Dinner on Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> and breakfast and lunch on April 3<sup>rd</sup> are included in your registration fee. Additional meals are as follows:

- Breakfast: \$ 14
- Lunch: \$19
- Dinner: \$21

## **1.0 Participation in the Japan Bowl - Who is Eligible?**

**The National Japan Bowl is open to full-time students who are currently enrolled in Levels II, III, and IV Japanese language classes at a high school in the United States, whether in regular or block schedule classes.**

**The national championship teams from Mexico and Canada also may join the National Japan Bowl, provided they meet the same eligibility criteria as US teams and students.**

### **1.1 Levels**

**The three levels at the National Japan Bowl are:**

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| Level II  | Students enrolled in second year high school-level Japanese language study                   |
| Level III | Students enrolled in third year high school-level Japanese language study                    |
| Level IV  | Students enrolled in fourth year high school-level Japanese language study or in AP Japanese |

These levels are based on the course level, and not the number of years that a student has studied Japanese in high school. For example, a high school sophomore who began Japanese language study in elementary or junior high school might be studying with high school seniors in Level IV and therefore would be eligible for the Level IV team. However, that student could not participate as a member of a Level II or Level III team, because that is below his/her current level of study. The student's teacher must certify that the student is competing at the proper level.

### **1.2 Forming a Team**

- a. Each school may send only one team per level to the National Japan Bowl. Local and global Japan Bowls may set their own limits for the number of teams per level, per school.
- b. All team members must be studying Japanese formally at the same high school for academic credit, and not as an extracurricular activity.

If Japanese is not offered at a student's high school but a city or county school district offers Japanese classes for academic credit in which students from multiple schools enroll together, whether online or in person, the school district and teacher may form teams to compete in the National Japan Bowl. In such cases, JASWDC will ask for additional information about the program, and a final decision on eligibility will be made by the Japan Bowl Director and Chair of the Japan Bowl Committee.

c. A team must have two or three students. One student is not a team. JASWDC strongly encourages schools to form a team of three students instead of two.

*A Japanese kotowaza says, "Sannin yoreba, Monju no chie / Three people together have the wisdom of Monju." It is the Japanese equivalent of "Two heads are better than one." Monju (or Monju-Bosatsu) is the Japanese Buddhist saint of wisdom, learning, and enlightenment.*

### 1.3 Student Eligibility

**In addition to team eligibility, each member of the team must meet certain requirements. The following rules about Japanese language education and experience govern the eligibility of each team member:**

a. Students who are native speakers of Japanese or who use Japanese at home are not eligible to compete.

b. Students who have had significant exposure to Japanese language and/or culture outside the high school curriculum are not eligible to compete. The determination whether a student's outside exposure is significant will be made on a case-by-case basis, according to the information the student and teacher provide.

*For example, students who have spent a cumulative total of three months or more in Japan for language study or a home-stay, including with relatives, might not be eligible to compete. The eligibility of students who have lived in Japan on US military bases or who have studied at international schools in Japan will be determined on a case-by-case basis, based on each student's circumstances.*

c. Participation is permitted at a level higher than the student's current high school level of Japanese study, but is not permitted at any level lower than his/her current level.

d. If a student participates in the Japan Bowl at a level higher than the one at which he/she is currently enrolled, that student will not be eligible to compete in a future Japan Bowl at the same or a lower level.

e. Students taking the AP Japanese course are eligible to compete at Level IV.

f. As noted in Section 2.1, the student's teacher must certify that the student is competing at the proper level and that the information on the student's registrations is correct to the best of his/her knowledge.

### 1.4 Chaperones

a. **There must be at least one adult chaperone per school who is 21 years of age or older.** Usually the students' Japanese language teacher serves as the chaperone, but there is no requirement that the chaperone should be the teacher. Chaperones are required to register, using the online form that will be provided.

- b. Each team may have its own chaperone, or one adult may be the chaperone for all teams from the same school.
- c. Chaperones are responsible for the well-being of her/his student(s) throughout the time that they are in Washington DC. They must be present with the students at the National 4-H Conference Center throughout the duration of the Japan Bowl.
- d. Chaperones should read the terms of the Chaperone Agreement and then sign it. Chaperones also should be familiar with the rules of the 4-H Center (Section 5.3)
- e. At the time of on-site check-in, all chaperones will be asked to present a valid government-issued photo ID such as a driver's license or passport, and they will be asked to again sign the Chaperone Agreement in the presence of a JASWDC staff member.
- f. If a chaperone is not present at registration or if any of the rules about chaperones are not followed, the team will not be able to participate in the competition.

## 1.5 Official Student Observers

- a. **Any high school student who is learning Japanese is invited to join the competition as an official student observer**, provided space is available. It does not matter whether their school has sent an official team.
- b. Official student observers are welcome to join other students at meals at the 4-H Center, participate in cultural activities, and receive the official National Japan Bowl T-shirt, provided they submit the Official Student Observer registration form and a \$65 fee per person. Both the form and payment must be received by January 31, 2020.
- c. Provided space is available, official student observers are able to stay at the 4-H Center and share rooms with Japan Bowl participants. Students should use the lodging and additional meals request form, which is due February 7, 2020.
- d. Official student observers need to sign the 4-H Center Code of Conduct and abide by the National Japan Bowl dress code. They also need to submit signed Chaperone Consent Forms.

## 1.6 About Friends and Family Members

- a. **Family members and friends are invited to join the students at the National Japan Bowl.** Family members and friends who wish to observe the National Japan Bowl must submit a Friends and Family registration form, which is due January 31, 2020.
- b. Friends and family members also are welcome to join the students at meals at the 4-H Center, participate in cultural activities, and receive the official National Japan Bowl T-shirt, provided they submit a \$65 fee per person, together with the "Friends and Family" registration form. Both the form and payment must be received by January 31, 2020.

c. Provided space is available at the National 4-H Center, friends and family members may apply for rooms, using the same hotel reservations application that will be sent to schools after team approval.

d. The deadline for submitting the hotel reservation form is the same as for team members and chaperones, which is February 7, 2020.

## **2.0 Applying to the National Japan Bowl**

### **2.1 How to Apply to the National Japan Bowl**

In order to streamline and simplify the registration process, registration for the National Japan Bowl is handled digitally using Active Network. All forms, documents, and payments will be processed on this platform. We do not anticipate that physical documents will need to be mailed to the JASWDC office.

If you have any questions about how to register, please do not hesitate to contact us at (202)833-2210 or [japanbowl@jaswdc.org](mailto:japanbowl@jaswdc.org) so we can assist you with your registration.

### **Step 1 - Submit Team Applications**

1. The registration link can be found from the Japan Bowl website under “join the 28<sup>th</sup> National Japan Bowl” at <http://www.japanbowl.org/join-the-28th-national-japan-bowl/>
2. To begin the process, the Teacher/Advisor for each team should register themselves and the levels from their school on Active. Teachers who will be chaperoning the students will need to select “chaperone registration.” If you are a language teacher who will not be chaperoning your school’s team, you can register just the levels of your school’s team and have the chaperone fill out the chaperone registration themselves.
3. An account will be created linked to your email address. This will allow you to log in and look up your information later. Your name, date of birth, and gender will also be asked.
4. Participants & Options will ask you to select the person you are registering. Please select your name for the level registration sessions you have selected (a message will pop up that you have selected multiple sessions at the same time, which you can ignore).
5. In the case that you will be using school funding or grant funding to pay for students’ registration fees, under “Session options” please check the box for “Team registration for schools who are paying for student registration fee,” and select the number of students that you will be paying for on that team. Each level of team registration will have this option, so please indicate the number of students you are paying for on their respective team level registrations.
6. Based on the sessions you have selected you will be asked different mandatory questions. After entering the information, check the boxes that you agree to the Dress Code, National 4-

H Conference Code of Conduct, and the Active Agreement and Waiver. Sign your name digitally by either writing or typing in your name.

7. Confirm your registration details on the “Review cart & check out” page. Teachers registering before the early bird deadline of December 6th, 2019 can use the coupon code “**CHAPERONE65**” and the fee for the chaperone will be discounted. This coupon only applies to the language teacher from the school. Only one chaperone fee is waived per school for the early bird. For payment options, you can either pay immediately during registration or at a later date. If you will pay later, please select “enroll in payment plan.” Payment must be received before January 10th, 2020.

8. Create a password for your account. You can log in using your email address and account to view your sessions and make any necessary changes.

## Step 2 - Submit Individual Applications

1. Student competitors, chaperones, student observers, and friends/family should then go individually to <http://www.japanbowl.org/join-the-28th-national-japan-bowl/> and register themselves. Students should select “student registration” and not registration for the level in which they are competing.
2. Students and student observers under the age of 18 must fill out their registration form with their parent or legal guardian. If you and your parent/legal guardian do not have access to the internet, please contact JASWDC at (202)833-2210 so that we can assist you in registering.
3. **Students whose schools are using school funding or grants to pay for their registration fees should select “Price for students whose school are paying for them” before clicking “Add.” Students whose parents will be paying for them should select “Price for parents who are paying for child.”**
4. Students will fill out their portion of the form. Parents must fill in and sign the primary parent/guardian section. Additional parents/guardians may also be added.
5. For payment options, you can either pay immediately during registration or at a later date. If you will pay later, please select “enroll in payment plan.” Payment must be received before January 10th, 2020.
6. Create a password for your account. You can log in using your email address and account to view your sessions and make any necessary changes.

## Step 3 - Pay Fees

1. Each student, chaperone, observer, and applying team needs to pay registration fees, as follows:

Student registration fee - \$65 (per person)

Chaperone registration fee - \$65 (per person)

Observer registration fee - \$65 (per person)

Friends/family registration fee - \$65 (per person)

Team registration fee - \$65 (per team)

2. For payment options, you can either pay immediately (“pay in full”) during registration or at a later date. If you will pay later, please select “enroll in payment plan,” select “Deposit +1 Payment(s)” under “Choose payment plan,” and then “Pay balance manually” under “Select billing option.” By selecting these options, you will not have to enter any credit card information when registering, and can pay it at a later time. However, please remember that **payment must be received before January 10th, 2020.**
3. If you are only able to pay by check or are unable to pay by credit card, please contact JASWDC at (202)-833-2210 or [japanbowl@jaswdc.org](mailto:japanbowl@jaswdc.org) in order to discuss an alternative payment method.

## **Step 4 - Sign and Assemble Required Documents**

The following additional supplemental forms must be submitted after the initial registration is processed:

1. Students and student observers must have their parent/guardian sign and submit the parent guardian consent form.
2. Students/student observers must also submit the participation form, which includes the signatures of their teachers and parent/guardian.
3. Teachers and chaperones must submit the chaperone consent form.
4. Teachers must also submit a certificate of insurance (COI) or Statement of Self Insurance.
5. All these forms can be submitted digitally through Active. Please contact JASWDC if you are unable to upload the forms digitally.

### **2.2 Team Approval and Registration Confirmation**

- a. After receipt, JASWDC will screen all online applications to determine each applicant's eligibility and ensure that all team forms are complete. If there are any questions concerning a student's eligibility, JASWDC will contact the Teacher/Advisor.
- b. JASWDC will send an email to any teacher whose team or student applications are in question. All responses to JASWDC questions must be made in writing through email before Friday, January 17, 2020.
- c. JASWDC will accept all qualified teams, provided space is still available in the competition rooms. Teams will be accepted in the order that they submitted their fully-completed application, until the competition room seating limits are reached at each level.
- d. After screening is completed and any questions have been answered, JASWDC will notify teachers by email to confirm their team and student registrations. Information on lodging and transportation will also be sent to the teacher.
- e. If you would like to share a room with participants from other schools, please submit your lodging form by February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020. JASWDC cannot guarantee that you will be matched with

another school, but we will do our best so that lodging costs can be kept at a minimum. Once we have matched you with another school, you will be contacted with the lodging fees for your shared room(s). Payment for lodging is due February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

If you have not received information regarding lodging by January 31<sup>st</sup>, please contact JASWDC immediately.

f. Do NOT make any travel arrangements that cannot be refunded until you receive the confirmation notice from JASWDC.

## **2.3 Substitution of Students after Team Approval**

- a. After teams have been notified of their acceptance and registration, substitutions will be permitted only if a student becomes ill or there is some other valid reason.
- b. All substitutes must meet the same eligibility requirements. Therefore, the required application forms for the proposed substitute must be submitted to the JASWDC for review.
- c. The JASWDC decision whether to accept a substitute is final. If a substitution is not permitted, the team may compete with two students - but not with just one.
- d. If a student withdraws and is not replaced, JASWDC will refund the \$65 student registration fee upon request.
- e. The JASWDC will not consider applications for student substitutions after Friday, March 13, 2020, except in extreme circumstances.

## **2.4 Substitution of Chaperone(s) after Team Approval**

- a. If the team's designated chaperone changes, a new Chaperone Agreement, signed by the new chaperone, and new Chaperone Consent Forms, signed by the parent/guardian of each student, must be submitted.
- b. The deadline for chaperone substitutions is Friday, March 13, 2020.

## **3.0 Travel Information**

### **3.1 Lodging**

**There are three options for lodging in the greater Washington DC area.**

#### **Option 1**

Stay at the National 4-H Conference Center. There is no tax or service charge. Room rates are based on the number of people in the room. If 3 or 4 persons stay in a room, the charge is \$58 per person per night; if 2 persons are in the room, it is \$76 per person per night; and a single is

\$145 per night. Please do not make payments on room reservations until you have received an invoice from JASWDC. Reservations can be made through JASWDC after the application process is completed. See Section 3.3 below for further information about the Center.

***Note:** The 4-H Center states that adults (18 years and older) may not room with a youth (except members of their immediate family) unless the Center is provided a notarized letter from the youth's parent or legal guardian granting permission for that designated adult to stay in the youth's room.*

### **Option 2**

You may arrange other accommodations in the Washington DC area. If you stay at another hotel in Washington or in the Maryland or Virginia suburbs, you will have to pay room tax. In addition, you will need to find transportation to the 4-H Center. The nearest METRO (subway) stop, at Friendship Heights on the Red Line, is 1.7 miles away.

### **Option 3**

The Society does not plan to organize host family accommodations. However, should a school be in an extreme need of a host family, please contact the Society no later than January 31, 2020. The Society occasionally receives offers from its American and Japanese members who would like to host Japan Bowl students -- but there is no guarantee that we will be able to find a host family.

## **3.2 Meals**

The participation fee includes three meals at the National 4-H Conference Center: dinner on April 2 and breakfast and lunch on April 3. If participants, chaperones, and family members come earlier and/or stay later, they may purchase meal tickets in advance to eat at the National 4-H Conference Center, or they may eat outside. However, the 4-H Conference Center is in a suburban location, and there are few dining facilities within walking distance.

For those who arrive early and/or stay later, the costs of meal tickets to eat at the 4-H Center are \$14 for breakfast; \$19 for lunch; and \$21 for dinner. They may be ordered at the same time you submit your lodging requests, or you may buy the tickets on-site from the 4-H Center staff.

## **3.3 Information about the National 4-H Conference Center**

**The National 4-H Conference Center is located in a quiet, 12-acre campus-like setting in Chevy Chase, Maryland, one mile north of the boundary line with Washington DC, making it the perfect gateway to the Capital's monuments and museums.**

- The Center is just a short bus ride from the Friendship Heights Metro (subway) stop on the Red Line, providing easy access to many area attractions, including the White House, the Capitol, and all the Smithsonian Museums.

- It is located in a pleasant suburban neighborhood and provides 24-hour, uniformed security, making the campus a safe place to relax and enjoy your visit.
- The 12-acre campus has a fitness center, sand and volleyball and basketball courts, and plenty of grassy space for relaxing.
- There is free parking for 200 cars.
- Its recreation room has Dance Dance Revolution, air hockey, foosball and arcade games—plus Internet access so you can keep in touch with friends back home and a Campus Gift Shop for all of your needs.
- Clover Café, the on-site dining hall, has entree options, soups, salad bar, waffle station, and a variety of dessert options, including a make-your-own-sundae bar.

**All guest rooms include:**

- Private bath
- Color TV with remote control (Note: The Center does not carry any movie channels which might be unsuitable for young people)
- Telephone with voicemail
- Alarm clock/radio
- Data ports
- Irons, ironing boards and hair dryers available upon request from front desk

**Center amenities for overnight guests include:**

- Housekeeping staff that provides fresh linens and towels
- Front desk staff available to assist 24 hours of the day, seven days a week
- Coin-operated laundry machines
- Wireless internet access

*For further information about the National 4-H Conference Center,  
please see its website at [www.4hcenter.org](http://www.4hcenter.org)*

### **3.4 Transportation and Access**

- For those who drive, there is ample parking at the National 4-H Conference Center.
- Those who arrive at Reagan National Airport (DCA) can share a taxi or Super Shuttle to the 4-H Center. They also can take the METRO (Blue Line) directly from the airport, change to the Red Line at the Metro Center station, and then go to the Friendship Heights METRO station.
- Those who arrive at Dulles International Airport (IAD) can share a taxi or Super Shuttle to the 4-H Center.
- Those who arrive by AMTRAK at Union Station can switch to the METRO red line, located under the station, and travel to Friendship Heights, or they can share a taxi.

- The Friendship Heights METRO station is 1.7 miles from the National 4-H Center. Both Metrobus and the Montgomery County bus system (called "RIDE-ON") have buses from the station to the 4-H Center.

### **3.5 Information for Washington DC Area Students**

- For those who drive, there is ample parking at the National 4-H Conference Center. Be sure to allow enough time to get through rush hour traffic.
- For those who take the METRO, the Friendship Heights station on the Red Line is 1.7 miles from the National 4-H Center. Both Metrobus and the Montgomery County bus system (called "RIDE-ON") have busses from the station to the 4-H Center.
- DC area students will find that there is plenty of room at the National 4-H Center to study, enjoy the planned cultural activities, and meet students from other parts of the country. DC area students therefore are encouraged to maximize their time at the Center.
- Some DC area teams have chosen to stay overnight at the 4-H Center to have more time to enjoy the Japan Bowl and meet other teams from around the country.

## **4.0 Registration**

### **4.1 Registration Procedures on April 2**

- a. Registration is from 3:00 to 5:00 pm on Thursday, April 2 in the Clover Rooms to the left of the J. C. Penney Lobby, which is the 4-H Center's main building (pictured on the cover of this Guide).
- b. Registration will be conducted by school, not by team. Therefore, all team members and chaperones from the school must be together at the time of registration.
- c. The chaperone(s) must present a government-issued photo ID (such as a driver's license or passport) and re-sign the chaperone agreement form at the time of registration.
- d. Whether they are staying at the 4-H Center or not, family members who have paid the \$65 fee for meals, participation in cultural events, etc. also should come to the registration room between those hours to receive their pass, meal tickets, and Japan Bowl T-shirt.

## **5.0 Rules of Conduct**

### **5.1 Dress Code**

- All participants are expected to dress in an appropriate manner. Team members who are not dressed appropriately may be asked to leave the competition room.
- For boys, slacks and collared shirts are required. Shirts must be tucked in.

- For girls, dresses, skirts, blouses, and slacks are required.
- No jeans, shorts, T-shirts (except for the official 2020 National Japan Bowl T-shirt), tank tops, caps, hats or head coverings (except for religious wear), athletic attire or sneakers, leggings, miniskirts, bare midriffs, or flip-flops are permitted during the competition (preliminary, conversation, and championship rounds).
- As noted above, participants may wear the official 2020 National Japan Bowl T-shirt during the competition.
- Students should dress appropriately during their free time at the 4-H Center. (However, see the 4-H Center Rules of Conduct in Section 5.3 below.)

## **5.2 Grounds for Disqualification**

**Following are the possible grounds for the disqualification of a student or team from the competition. JASWDC has the sole right to determine, in its own judgment, whether any action requires disqualification.**

- a. Challenging or showing lack of respect to National Japan Bowl officials, staff, or volunteers by a student, teacher, or chaperone
- b. Inappropriate dress (see Section 5.1)
- c. Use of offensive language
- d. Substantial violation of the rules of the National 4-H Conference Center
- e. Misrepresentations and/or other irregularities on an application form which become apparent at the time of registration or during the competition.
- f. Violation of the National Japan Bowl rules about photographic equipment and electronic devices, including watches, that are capable of recording, photographing, or transmitting.
- g. Making the questions or answers known to others via any kind of communications network, including email and social media.

Depending on the severity of the infringement, the JASWDC may prohibit the student(s) and possibly the entire team or school from participating in the National Japan Bowl at any Level in the following year. We therefore ask students, parents/guardians, and teachers to encourage appropriate behavior, in order to ensure that there are no misunderstandings.

## **5.3 National 4-H Conference Center Code of Conduct**

**To provide a safe, secure environment for all its guests, the National 4-H Conference Center requires all groups to adhere to its Code of Conduct, which outlines its alcohol-free policy, as well as other important rules.**

Following is the Center's Code of Conduct. The Center states that adult chaperones and group leaders are responsible for enforcing the Code. Violators may be asked to leave or sent home at their own expense. The Center states that these rules are not subject to interpretation, and each group is expected to follow them without exception.

- The National 4-H Conference Center is an alcohol-free facility. Possession or use of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs is prohibited. This includes the grounds and streets surrounding the National 4-H Conference Center. In addition, public intoxication is illegal in the State of Maryland and is punishable by law.
- Possession of sexually explicit materials is prohibited. In addition, the computers in the Cyber Café may not be used to download, create, receive, forward, or transmit inappropriate, offensive, or sexually explicit communications.
- Smoking or using other tobacco products is prohibited in all buildings, meeting rooms and guest rooms. Smoking is permitted in designated outdoor areas only.
- Fireworks are prohibited in the State of Maryland and at the National 4-H Conference Center.
- Lighting of candles and incense is prohibited in all buildings, meeting rooms, and guest rooms.
- No pets or animals are allowed, except for trained guide dogs.
- Shirts and shoes are required inside all buildings at all times.
- Guests must respect personal public property. Repair costs for damages incurred to property will be billed to the group responsible for such damages.
- A zoning law requires that there be no "organized" programs or activities after 11:00 pm, Monday through Thursday and after midnight on Fridays and Saturdays. Guests are asked to refrain from making noise in common areas and sleeping rooms between the hours of 11:00 pm and 7:00 am. Facility curfew is 11:00 pm Monday through Thursday and midnight on Fridays and Saturdays, which means visitors need to be in their rooms at these times.
- Exterior doors on campus are locked at 5:00 pm, 8:00 pm, or 11:00 pm (depending on the location and scheduled activities) each evening in order to provide a safe environment for our guests. Exterior doors are unlocked at 7:00 am each day.
- Vending and selling merchandise is prohibited in public areas and to others outside your own group membership.
- All food and beverage consumed on the property, in meeting rooms and other public areas must be ordered and/or purchased through the National 4-H Conference Center.
- You may not bring your own food.
- Before or during checkout, guests must pay for all incidental charges.
- To protect the safety of Center guests, no fraternization is allowed in participant's lodging rooms. Any participant who has a complaint regarding fraternization should contact his or her group coordinator.

## **6.0 2020 National Japan Bowl Schedule (Tentative)**

**The following schedule is tentative and subject to change. The final schedule will be sent to all teams prior to their arrival in Washington and will be available at check-in.**

***Thursday, April 2***

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| 3:00-5:00 pm  | National Japan Bowl Registration and room check-in<br>Clover Rooms, J.C. Penney Hall |
| 4:00-5:30 pm  | Dinner, Clover Cafe Dining Room  |
| 5:45-6:45 pm  | Opening Ceremony, Auditorium   |
| 7:00-8:30 pm  | Preliminary First Round (50 questions) - Assigned Rooms                              |
| 8:30-8:50 pm  | Review of Answers for First Preliminary Round  |
| 9:00-10:00 pm | Evening Get-Together   |

***Friday, April 3***

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| 7:30-8:30 am   | Breakfast, Clover Cafe Dining Room                  |
| 8:30-10:10 am  | Conversation Round - All Levels, Assigned Rooms     |
| 8:30-10:10 am  | Teachers Workshop                                   |
| 10:20-11:20 am | Preliminary Round 2 (40 questions) - Assigned Rooms |
| 11:20-11:40 am | Review of Answers for Second Preliminary Round      |
| 11:45-12:30 pm | Lunch, Assigned Rooms                               |
| 12:30-1:30 pm  | Cultural Workshop/Event                             |
| 1:30 -2:00 pm  | Announcement of Results and Finalists, Auditorium   |
| 2:00-2:30 pm   | Championship Round - Level II                       |
| 2:40-3:10 pm   | Championship Round - Level III                      |
| 3:20-3:50 pm   | Championship Round - Level IV                       |
| 4:00-4:30 pm   | Awards Ceremony                                     |
| 4:30-5:00 pm   | Closing Ceremony                                    |