

団体名	秋田地域留学生等交流推進会議						
事業名	第三の故郷を見つける農家民泊2025						
実施期間	令和7年10月11日～12日						
場所	仙北市西木町						
参加者数	外国人留学生	日本人学生	地域住民 (留学生以外の外国人)	地域住民 (外国人除く。地域のスタッフ含む)	申請団体スタッフ	その他	合計
	28	7	0	8	2	0	45名

<実施内容>

「第三の故郷を見つける農家民泊」と題し、留学生の出身地、秋田県内での勉学・生活の地に加え仙北市西木町を第三の故郷として見つけ出してもらうことを目標としたツアーで、今回の開催で15回目を迎えます。

農業体験ツアーでは各農家に分かれて、農作業と民泊を体験しました。ツアー1日目は、農家ごとに、野菜の収穫、きりたんぼ作り、収穫した野菜での料理体験や、グリーンハウスでの除草作業など、地域性と各農家の特色を生かした体験学習が行われました。

ツアー2日目は、仙北市活性化施設「かたくり館」にて、参加者全員が一堂に会し、各農家で作った料理を持ち寄っての食事会と1日目の振り返りを行いました。参加学生・参加農家の双方から、国や言語を越えたコミュニケーション体験について、非常に有意義であったとの声が聞かれました。本イベントに参加した留学生からは、非常によい体験をし、感動した、また参加したいなどの意見が寄せられ、本事業の趣旨である、農業体験を通じて農家の暮らしを理解するとともに、第三の故郷を見つけるという目的を達成することができました。

<記録写真>



畑仕事体験



トラクターで記念撮影



薪割り体験

<参加者からのコメント>

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<p>The Farm Stay event was great from the beginning, especially when we had the chance to try soy sauce ice cream. Even though it sounded like a strange flavor, it was surprisingly really good! One of the best experiences that I had during this event was visiting Lake Tazawa, where we were lucky to see six Akita Inu. They were very friendly, cute and lovely. With my group we take a lot of pictures of them and with them. We also fed the fishes in the lake - it was so fun to see them jumping for the food. As for the host family, Fujieda-san was very kind and always attentive to us. She offered many delicious meals with a wide variety of new and different flavors. She also had an Akita Inu named Komachi, who was very cute but quite grumpy, so we couldn't touch her at all (笑).</p>	<p>When I first heard about the Farmstay tour, I must admit I wasn't particularly thrilled. Having grown up around farming in Liberia and spent years immersed in agricultural life, I assumed the trip would be more of the same-routine, predictable, and perhaps even dull. I expected a few fields, some livestock, and the usual rhythms of rural life. What could possibly surprise me? But as the tour unfolded, I found myself unexpectedly captivated. The experience offered far more than just farming-it was a window into the heart of Japanese family life. Staying with a local family, I witnessed the subtle beauty of their daily routines, the quiet discipline of their work, and the warmth with which they welcomed us. From the way meals were prepared to the shared responsibilities across household members, it felt like a sneak peek into a lifestyle that values harmony, simplicity, and deep connection to the land. Looking back, the Farmstay tour was far more enriching than I had imagined. It reminded me that even familiar themes like farming can take on new meaning in a different cultural context. I left with a deeper appreciation for Japan's rural life and a quiet longing to return. If given the chance, I would gladly go on such a trip again-this time with open eyes and a heart ready to be surprised. Many thanks to the organizers for such a brilliant way of introducing international students to the rural Japanese lifestyle. There could be no better way to do so!</p>
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英語名称 (英語版作成用)

団体名	Akita Inter-regional Council for Promotion of International Student Exchange
事業名	Find Your Third Hometown Farmstay in Akita