

Let the Wind of Experience Inspire You

# KIBI



# National Kibi Youth Outdoor Learning Center

## Overview



**For Group Stays!**

**For Camping & Hiking!**



**For Volunteer Activities!**

**For Training Programs!**

**For Educational Programs!**





To Kayo IC

Bus Stop (National Kibi Youth Outdoor Learning Center Entrance)

Kibi Plaza (Multi-purpose Complex)

484

Kibi Kogen Medical Rehabilitation Center

Showers & Restrooms

Inu Village Campfire Site

Inu Village

Campsite Strage

Restrooms

Kibi Kogen Cross Bridge Intersection

Momotarou-Hiroba

Saru Village

Tsudohiro Strage

Kiji Village

Tsdoi-no-Hiroba

Training Building

Blind Walk Course

Accommodation Building

Shita-no-Hiroba Campfire Site

Lake Narutaki

Cutter Boating

Komorebi Terrace

Tsudohiro Strage

Craft Building

Tsdoi-no-Hiroba

Multi-purpose Hall  
Challenge Room

Sickbay

Administrative Office

Training Building

Administrative Building

Learning Room 2

Orientation Room

Learning Room 1

Play Hall

Naka-no-Hiroba

Accommodation Building

Okayama Prefectural Narutaki Dam Administration Office

Dam Embankment

Lodge

Life Relation Building

3F Fureai Hall

2F Restaurant & Public Bath

1F Boiler Room, etc.

Shita-no-Hiroba

Narutaki Bridge

Restrooms

Narutaki Forest Park

Equivalent to about 25 Tokyo Domes

Activity Area :  
approx. **1,200,000m<sup>2</sup>**  
(including Lake Narutaki : 410,000m<sup>2</sup>)



# About the National Kibi Youth Outdoor Learning Center

## Purpose

The National Kibi Youth Outdoor Learning Center is one of the regional facilities operated by the National Institution For Youth Education, a national center for youth education in Japan. Its purpose is to promote youth education and foster the healthy development of young people.

Set in the rich natural environment of the Kibi Highlands, the Center provides a wide range of experiential activities through which participants interact with nature, deepen their relationships with others, and reflect on themselves. Through these experiences, it aims to cultivate social skills, a sense of discipline, a spirit of service, and independent and creative character.

## Key Priority Initiatives

- Providing opportunities for real-life experiences and interaction

Amid rapid digitalization in society, we emphasize the importance of hands-on, real-world experiences that are gradually being lost. By creating opportunities for collaborative activities and interaction among friends and classmates, we aim to nurture young people who can grow and thrive energetically in the rich natural environment of the Kibi Highlands.

- Implementing educational programs that respond to the needs of the times as a national center for youth education

In cooperation with a wide range of related institutions and organizations, we promote nationwide initiatives such as the *Experience the Wind* campaign and the *Early to Bed, Early to Rise, Eat Breakfast* national movement, both of which are essential for fostering the healthy development of young people. We also plan and implement programs that support families and youth in need, develop non-cognitive skills, and train youth education leaders and volunteers.

- Providing highly educational experiential programs with safety and security as our top priority
- Actively promoting public relations and outreach activities
- Improving operational efficiency and securing external funding
- Collaborating with the local community through a new public-oriented management approach

## History

November 1977	The Ministry of Education decided to establish National Youth Nature Houses as part of the Centennial Anniversary of the Modern School System Project and selected Okayama Prefecture as the site for the seventh National Youth Nature House.
April 6, 1982	The institution was officially established. With the revision of the Ministerial Ordinance of the Ministry of Education, the name <i>National Kibi Youth Nature House</i> was adopted.
October 23, 1983	Opening ceremony.
April 1, 2001	Reorganized as the National Kibi Youth Nature House under the National Youth Nature Houses, an Independent Administrative Institution.
April 1, 2006	Following an organizational restructuring, the Center became the National Kibi Youth Outdoor Learning Center under the National Institution For Youth Education.
November 2, 2012	30th Anniversary Ceremony.
May 2, 2013	Total number of users reached 3 million.
November 13, 2022	40th Anniversary commemorative event ( <i>Cheerful Day</i> ) held.

## The Symbol Mark

The design of the symbol mark is based on the peach from the Momotaro legend, which has long been associated with the Kibi region of Okayama Prefecture. The blue background represents the vast Kibi Highlands, while the letter "K," the initial of Kibi, is stylized as the figure of a boy energetically growing and moving forward in a natural setting.



For more information, please visit the [Experiential Activity Information Site](#).



As society becomes increasingly affluent and convenient, opportunities for children to have hands-on experiences in nature and daily life have been declining. This campaign aims to widely communicate to families and communities the importance of experiential activities for children's healthy growth and to build momentum for promoting such activities throughout society.



**Early to Bed,  
Early to Rise,  
Eat Breakfast**

For more information, please visit the website of the [Early to Bed, Early to Rise, Eat Breakfast National Council](#).



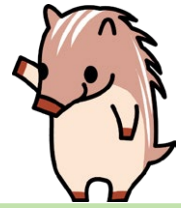
We participate in the *Early to Bed, Early to Rise, Eat Breakfast* national movement.

The *Early to Bed, Early to Rise, Eat Breakfast* national movement aims to foster desirable basic lifestyle habits in children, improve their daily rhythms, and build social momentum to support the educational role of families throughout the community.

# User Eligibility

## The Center is available to:

- Groups and circles from nursery schools, kindergartens, certified children's centers, elementary schools, junior high schools, senior high schools, universities, and other educational institutions
- Youth groups and organizations from communities and workplaces, as well as other clubs and circles
- Government agencies and companies for training programs
- Families and other groups



## Application Process

Check Availability & Submit Application

Applications for overnight stays can be made from one year prior to the month of use.

Submit Activity Plan

Prepare your activity plan using the *User Guide* and the Center's website as references.

Preliminary Meeting (Joint Planning Meeting)

A joint planning meeting will be held approximately two months before your visit.

Submit Required Documents

Submit the participant list, food allergy pre-check form, and other required documents.

Day of Use

## Days When the Center Is Closed

Closed days: approximately 120 days per year, mainly between December and March (including the year-end and New Year holidays). The Center may also be closed temporarily for facility and equipment maintenance, safety inspections, staff training, and other operational reasons. For the latest information, please check the Notices section on our website.

## Usage Fees

### 1. Accommodation Fee (per person per night)

Category		Fee
Lodging (Accommodation Building / Lodge)	Preschool children (ages 3 and above)	¥300
	Children (elementary to senior high school students)	¥600
	Adults (18 and over, students)	¥1,200
	Adults (18 and over, non-students)	¥2,500
Campsite	Preschool children (ages 3 and above)	¥300
	Children (elementary to senior high school students)	¥300
	Adults (18 and over, students)	¥600
	Adults (18 and over, non-students)	¥1,200

### 2. Meal Fees

#### • Restaurant Meals (Buffet Style)

	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner	Total
Junior high school students and above	¥690	¥840	¥940	¥2,470
Elementary school students	¥590	¥720	¥790	¥2,100
Preschool children (ages 4 and above)	¥460	¥540	¥580	¥1,580

Service may be changed to a set-meal style for small groups or during off-peak periods. Free for children aged 3 and under. Assorted hors d'oeuvres for social gatherings are available upon request (advance consultation required; conditions apply).

#### • Outdoor Cooking Fees

Code	Menu	Price (per set / 8 servings)	Code	Menu	Price (per set / 8 servings)
A	Western Breakfast A (Roll Bread)	¥3,520 (¥440 per person)	F	Beef Curry	¥5,200 (¥650 per person)
B	Western Breakfast B (Hot Dog)		G	Hayashi Rice	¥4,800 (¥600 per person)
C	Pork Curry	¥4,800 (¥600 per person)	H	Yakiniku-style Stir-fried Vegetable	¥5,440 (¥680 per person)
D	Yakisoba	¥4,400 (¥550 per person)	I	Green Salad	¥1,040 (¥130 per person)
E	Gyudon (Beef Bowl)	¥4,800 (¥600 per person)			

### 3. Fees for Selected Training Activities

Activity	Unit	Fee
Cutter Boat Activity	Per 3 consecutive hours	¥8,000
Forest Nature Exploration Program	Per instructor for 3 consecutive hours	¥5,000
Kibi Adventure Program	Per instructor per consecutive hour When conducted off-site, transportation costs will be charged separately.	¥2,000

### Day-use Fee (per room, up to 4 hours)

Room	Youth	General
Play Hall	¥2,600	¥5,200
Challenge Room	¥3,200	¥6,400
Multi-purpose Hall	¥3,200	¥6,400
Fureai Hall	¥4,200	¥8,400
Orientation Room	¥2,600	¥5,200
Learning Room 1	¥1,000	¥2,000
Learning Room 2	¥1,000	¥2,000
Learning Room 3	¥2,000	¥4,000



For details, please visit our website.

All fees include tax. Fees are subject to change. The applicable fee will be the one in effect on the date of use. The lodges are closed in principle from FY2025, except for limited use.



Example of Restaurant Meal (Dinner)

Same price regardless of age. A half set (4 servings, half price) is available only when the total number is not divisible by eight. After outdoor cooking, staff will check that cooking utensils and tableware have been properly cleaned and returned. ☆ Boxed meals are also available. (Breakfast : 2 options / Lunch & Dinner : 3 options each, ¥450-¥600)

# Major Experiential Programs

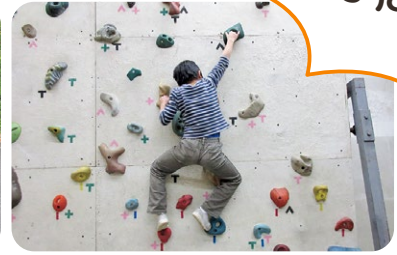


## Get Moving!

- Mountain Biking Grade 5 and above (ages 10+)
- Climbing Wall Elementary school students and above
- Walk Rally Grade 4 and above (ages 9+)
- Orienteering Grade 4 and above (ages 9+)
- Flying Disc Golf Elementary school students and above (ages 6+)
- Field Athletics Elementary school students and younger (up to age 12)
- Ride-on Play Equipment Elementary school students and younger (up to age 12)



▲ Mountain Biking



▲ Climbing Wall

Go for it!



## Build Friendships!

- Outdoor Cooking Material fee required No age restriction
- Cutter Boating Grade 4 and above (ages 9+) Early April to mid-November Instruction fee required
- Campfire Material fee required No age restriction
- Candle Gathering Material fee required No age restriction
- Kibi Adventure Program Elementary school students and above (ages 6+) Instruction fee required



▲ Outdoor Cooking

Make it tasty!  
Make it tasty!



▲ Cutter Boating



## Experience Nature!

- River Play No age restriction *(Supervising adult required)*
- Fishing Elementary school students and above (ages 6+)
- Forest Nature Exploration Team Elementary school students and above (ages 6+) Instruction fee required
- Blind Walk Elementary school students and younger (up to age 12)
- Tree Bingo Elementary school students and above (ages 6+)



▲ Blind Walk

What's the name of this flower?



▲ Tree Bingo



## Be Prepared for Disasters!

- Evacuation Shelter Experience Grade 4 and above (ages 9+)
- Newspaper Tableware No age restriction
- Rope Work Grade 4 and above (ages 9+)
- Emergency Outdoor Cooking Material fee required No age restriction



▲ Evacuation Shelter Experience



◀ Emergency Outdoor Cooking



## Let's Create!

- Handicrafts (Wood-Burning Craft, etc.) Age restrictions apply Material fee required
- KAPLA® Block Building No age restriction
- Kibi-dango Making Material fee required No age restriction



Careful...don't let it fall!

◀ KAPLA® Block Building

Scan the QR code for more experiential programs.

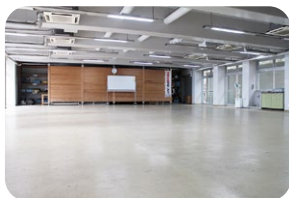




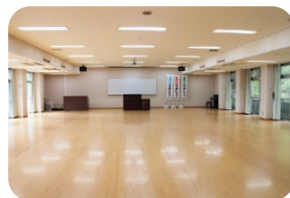
# Facility and Equipment List

Category	Room/Facility	No.of Rooms/ Units	Capacity/ Area	Equipment/Features
Accommodation Building	Bed Room	4	48 persons per room	Wooden bunk beds/Tatami area (18 tatami mats) in each room
Training Building	Orientation Room	1	Capacity:200	BD player/Projector/Portable screen/Upright piano/Whiteboard/Wi-Fi available
	Learning Room	3	Capacity: 50×2 rooms Capacity: 150×1 room	BD player/Projector/Portable screen/Whiteboard/Upright piano/Wi-Fi available
Life Relation Building	Restaurant	1	Capacity: approx.250	Buffet style
	Fureai Hall	1	19×14m/ Capacity: approx.200	Electone/Cushioned floor/Upright piano/Wi-Fi available
	Public Bath	2	Capacity: 60 (large bath) Capacity: 30 (small bath)	Large bath with ramp access
	Green Room	1	44.1m <sup>2</sup> / Capacity: approx.30	International exchange materials and reference books
Play Hall	Play Hall	1	35×25m/ Capacity: approx.400	Indoor campfire available/Volleyball court(9-a-side)×1/Badminton courts×2/Climbing wall/Various sports equipment
Craft Building	Challenge Room	1	Area:16×13m/ Capacity: approx.100	Space for various craft activities
	Multi-purpose Hall	1	Area:19×13m/ Capacity: approx.180	BD player/Projector/Ceiling-mounted screen/Digital piano/Whiteboard/Wi-Fi available
	Ikoj Room (Japanese Room)	1	17.5 tatami mats/ Capacity: approx.20	
	Tea Room	1	6 tatami mats	
Lodge (mostly closed in FY2026)	Bed Room	4	Capacity: 25 per room	Cushioned cork-tile flooring / Floor heating
	Public Bath	2	Capacity:30 (large) Capacity:20 (small)	
Campsite	Permanent Tents	25	Mainly 6 persons per tent (approx.150 persons total)	Raised-platform tents Additional tent sites:30 Closed in winter (mid-October to mid-April)
Multi-purpose Ground		1 field	90×60m/ Capacity:approx.100	Soccer goals/Various outdoor sports Recreation Ground
Observatory		1 building		Large astronomical telescope×1 (aperture 310 mm) Binoculars/Retractable roof
Outdoor Cooking Areas		7 locations		Cooking stoves:12×3/10×3/6×1 Sterilizing cabinet

Wheelchair access available between the Accommodation Building and the Play Hall



Challenge Room



Multi-purpose Hall



Play Hall



Learning Room 3



Restaurant



Bed Room



Fureai Hall




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Wooly Channel (Official)  
National Kibi Youth Outdoor Learning Center



Instagram  
[https://www.instagram.com/kibi\\_niye/](https://www.instagram.com/kibi_niye/)



**The Land of Momotarō – Kibi**

- Full of greenery
- Full of friends
- Full of smiles

**Catchphrase**

Mascot Character  
Woolly — the Little Rascal

## Children's Dream Fund



The Children's Dream Fund supports children's healthy development through hands-on activities, reading programs, and other learning opportunities.

### Application Period

First Round: Early October – Late November  
Second Round: Early May – Late June

Application details are available on the Children's Dream Fund website.  
For inquiries, please contact:

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Dream Fund  
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