

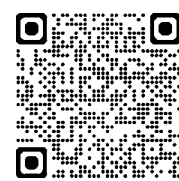
For junior high school and high school students



Mie Prefecture Children's Ordinance



To ensure that all children can live with peace of mind



Digital version

Do you have any of these problems?

Forced to accept
the opinions of
adults



Bad things written
about you on
social media



Bullied and
hurt



Nowhere you
can feel at
ease



Doing too many chores
at home, with no time
for homework



Nowhere to go to
talk when you
have problems



These are examples where the rights of
children are not being protected.
Let's think about what it means for children
to grow up comfortably and healthily.



Introduction to the Mie Prefecture Children's Ordinance

This ordinance was established with the aim of creating a society where the rights of children are secured, in accordance with the principles of the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Important points of the ordinance (basic principles)

Children have basic rights, and shall not face discrimination for any reason



Like adults, children have many rights. There are also some rights that only children have. Children shall not face discrimination for any reason, including race, gender, ways of thinking, disability, or economic circumstances.

Children's lives and health shall be protected, to make sure they can grow up healthily



Children shall be protected from crime, accidents, and other dangers, and shall be able to grow up healthily.

Children can express their own opinions and take part in various social activities



Children can freely communicate their own thoughts and opinions to adults. They can take part in social activities at schools and within local communities, and the opinions of children can be used in society.

The opinions of children shall be respected, and their best interests shall be considered



The opinions of children shall be valued. Adults shall prioritize what is best for children when thinking about things.

Convention on the Rights of the Child

This convention was adopted by the UN General Assembly in 1989. Japan agreed to the convention in 1994. It recognizes that children have rights as human beings, like adults. It also establishes that children have unique rights, because care and consideration are necessary for their growth.

What adults do for children

Every adult plays a role in protecting the rights of children.
Adults must work together to support children.

Parents and guardians

These adults shall understand that it is their responsibility to take care of children as they grow, and try to create an environment where children can grow with peace of mind, with support as needed from the government, supporting organizations, and other groups.

Schools and other educators

These adults shall try to ensure the safety of children, and create an environment where children can learn and grow with peace of mind. They shall provide support to make sure that children can learn about children's rights and express their opinions.

Businesses

Businesses shall provide a workplace environment that enables working people to lead a fulfilling life that balances work and home. They shall also try to promote initiatives to support the growth of children in local communities.

Supporting bodies

They shall endeavor to watch over and support the growth of children, through activities that utilize their specialist knowledge.

Coordination Cooperation

Residents

They shall try to deepen their understanding of measures related to children, and actively cooperate with such measures.

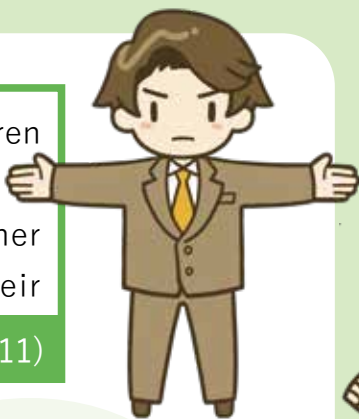


Government of Mie Prefecture

The government of Mie Prefecture shall systematically promote measures related to children, and shall value the opinions and best interests of children. We will work with the governments of towns and cities to support cooperation by parents and guardians, schools, and the local community, and support initiatives in which everyone works together to support children.

Mie Prefecture's efforts

We protect children from abuse, bullying, and other violations of their rights. (Article 11)



Promoting initiatives for children's safety and peace of mind



Creating systems to protect the rights of children

We provide support to make sure all children can grow up comfortably and healthily. (Article 13)



Support for the growth of children who need special support

We reflect the opinions of children in Mie Prefecture's initiatives. (Article 14)



We provide opportunities for people to learn about the rights of children. (Article 12)



We provide support to make sure households raising children can live with peace of mind. (Article 15)



Do not struggle alone

Things about your family, the future, your friends,
yourself, and things you cannot say to anyone

"I want someone to listen to me,
but I don't know what to do"



"I'm a little unsure about
speaking to someone"

You might feel like that.
But your feelings are the most important thing.
Please let us hear what you have to say.



Talk line for children

Children's hotline
 **0800-200-2555**

Available from 13:00 to 21:00 (excluding Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)

*We will protect your secrets
*There is no telephone charge
(only for calls from within
Mie Prefecture)

You can also talk on LINE



Children's hotline LINE talk

Available from 13:00 to 21:00 (excluding Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)

*We will protect your secrets
*Available through LINE chat only

What would you do if your **rights** or the **rights** of a child
you know are not being protected?

