

Welcome to Sakurai-city! Map for daily life

Transportation ① Trains

How to buy a ticket at an automatic vending machine

- ① Insert money (coins/bills) into the machine.
- ② When the buttons light up, press the button which shows the fee for your destination. A map above the machines will indicate the cost to your destination.
- ③ Your ticket and change will come out at the base of the machine.

Types of IC cards and how to use them

You can pass through the automated entranceway simply by placing your IC card on the reader beside the gate. IC cards are useful because you don't have to buy tickets at the ticket machine any more. There are three kinds of IC cards available: the PiTaPa card, the ICOCA card, and the SMART ICOCA card. The PiTaPa card is paid at the end of the month. You can ride on all private railways in Kinki area including subways and buses. (If you want to use the PiTaPa card to ride on JR West, you need to charge it with some money beforehand.) On the other hand, the method of payment of the ICOCA card is all in advance. You can ride on all railways in Kinki area including JR West, subways, and buses after charging money to the card balance. Basically, the SMART ICOCA card has the same function as the ICOCA card, but you can choose the way of payment, that is, at the end of the month or in advance. Ask station staff for more information.

How to buy a season ticket for commuting

Season tickets for commuters can be purchased for daily routes traveled, in the form of 1, 3, and 6 month passes. The discount is greater for longer time periods. If you are a student, the discount is even more heavily reduced. You need to show your school identification card to get this discount.

How to go through an unmanned automatic turnstyle

- ① Look for a gate with a circle above or next to it.
- ② Place your ticket into the slot and the gate door will open automatically. As you pass through, do not forget to take your ticket after it has passed through the machine.
- ③ When you use "PiTaPa" or "ICOCA," touch your card to the place where "IC" lamp lights on the gate, the gate door will open automatically.

Where to find the destination

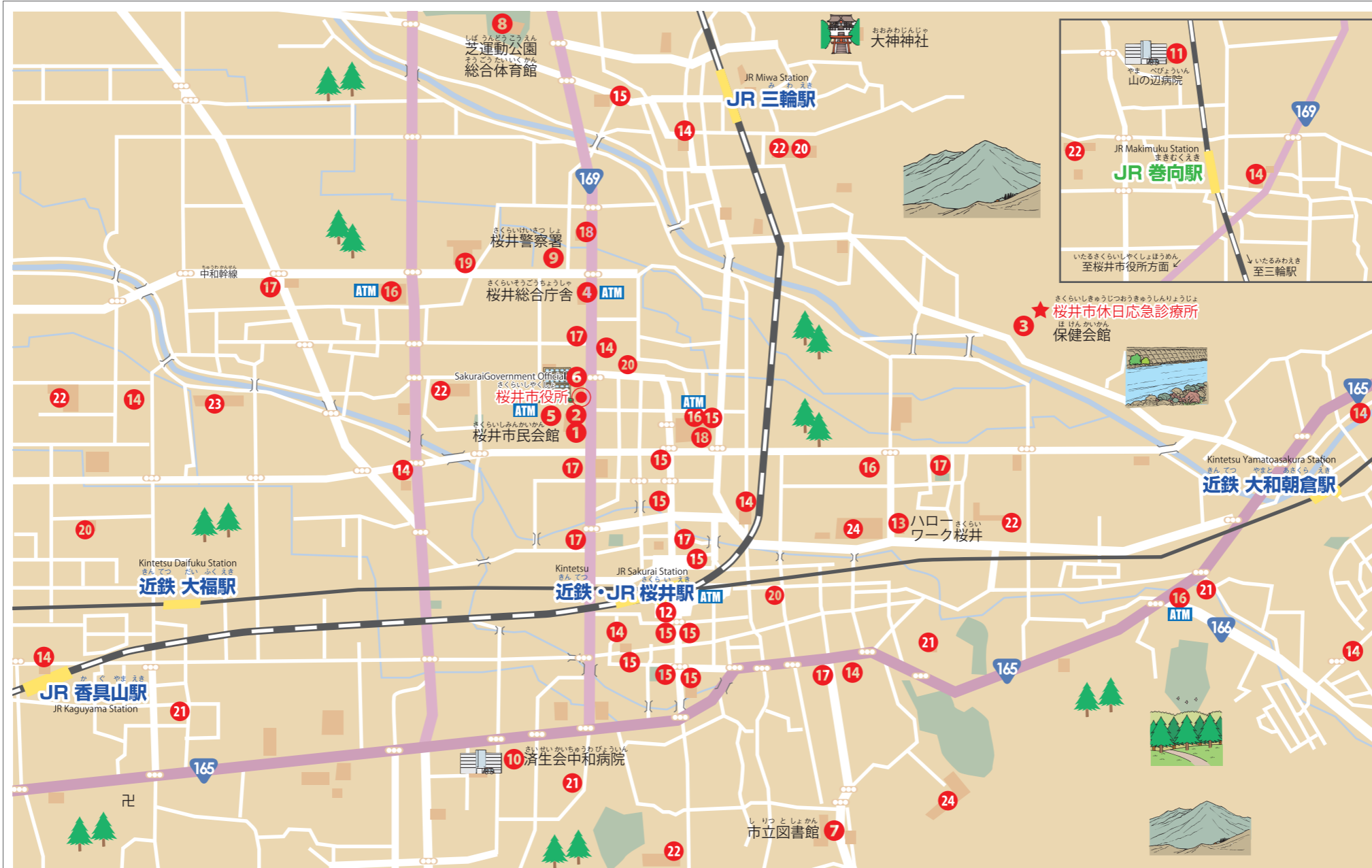
The destination of each train is indicated at the upper center of the head vehicle or you can find it on the destination board on the platform.

The types of trains

- Kintetsu – Has six types of trains depending on the frequencies on the way to their destinations. The type of each train is indicated along with the destination on the plate as follows. In order from "most stops" to "least stops": 普通 (futsuu), 区間準急 (kukanjunkyuu), 準急 (junkyuu), 急行 (kyuukou), 快速急行 (kaisokukyuu), 特急 (tokyuu – requires an extra fee and ticket)
- JR - JR trains also have the following types; in order from "most stops" to "least stops": 普通 (futsuu), 快速 (kaisoku), 新快速 (shinkaisoku), etc.

Train schedule

Pocket size train schedules are provided at stations.



- ① Chuo Kominkan (Community Center)
- ② Citizen Hall
- ③ Health Center
- ④ Sakurai Branch of Nara Prefectural Government (includes Prefectural Tax Office, Sakurai Health Center, ATM)
- ⑤ Sakurai Tax Office
- ⑥ Sakurai Fire Station

- ⑦ Library
- ⑧ Shiba Integrated Gymnasium
- ⑨ Police Station
- ⑩ Saiseikai Chuwa Hospital
- ⑪ Yamanobe Hospital
- ⑫ Mahoroba Center (located on the 2nd floor of ELT Sakurai, which contains a supermarket on the 1st floor)

- ⑬ Hello Work Sakurai
- ⑭ Sakurai Post Office
- ⑮ Bank
- ⑯ Supermarket
- ⑰ Convenience Store
- ⑱ 100 yen shop

- ⑲ Home Center
- ⑳ Kindergarten
- ㉑ Day nursery
- ㉒ Elementary school
- ㉓ Junior high school
- ㉔ High school

Transportation ② Taxi

Vacant taxis can be recognized by the red sign in the window with the characters reading 空車 (KUUSHA) meaning "empty car." You can hail a taxi by raising your hand, but not near any crossroads or traffic signals. The transportation fare is indicated on the fare counter located between the driver's and the front passenger's seat, and is usually decided by the driving distance as well as the driving time. Check the fare at the counter when you go out of the taxi to pay. The sizes of taxis are divided into three groups: 小型車 (small), 中型車 (medium), and 大型車 (large), and bigger the car is, the higher the fare becomes. Make sure to check the type of the car before you get into the taxi.

Transportation ③ Bicycle

Traveling on the left side

In Japan, bicycles are to keep to the left side of the road. When permitted to run in the sidewalk, bicycles should keep closer to the road.

Children and bicycles

For children under 13 years old riding a bicycle, parents are to try to make them wear helmets whenever they go out.

Prohibited practices

- The following conduct is prohibited by road traffic laws
- Two people riding on one bicycle (children under six are allowed, however)
 - Two bikes riding side by side
 - Riding under the influence of alcohol
 - Riding after sunset without a headlight
 - Riding with an open umbrella or while using a cell phone

Limousine Bus

There are Limousine buses that run from the Sakurai station (North exit) to Kansai International Airport every day. Adult tickets are 1,900 yen for a one way or 3,600 yen if a return ticket is purchased as well. The commute is approximately 95 minutes. Buses leaving from Sakurai station (North exit) AM5:30 AM6:30 AM7:30 Buses leaving from Kansai International Airport PM7:00 PM8:00 PM9:00 *It is recommended that you make a reservation to get the bus you want To make a reservation, please call the Nara Koutsuu Bus Center (0742-22-5110)

Transportation ④ Bus

How to find the destination of the bus

The destination of the bus is indicated at the upper center of the front of the bus, along with the bus number.

How to board / How to pay for the bus

- ① Many different buses stop at the same stop. Make sure the number of the bus indicated at the head matches the desired one on the timetable.
- ② When boarding, enter at the rear of the bus. Be sure to take the ticket (seiriken.)
- ③ When the bus has passed the stop before your destination, press the button located near the window to let the driver know you want to get off at the next stop.
- ④ The fares are posted on a panel in front of the bus. Check the fare with the number on your ticket (seiriken) and together with the ticket put your money in the fare box in the front of the bus before getting off. Please make sure to have the proper amount of change before boarding. No change will be returned from the money you put into the fare box. However, there is a money changing machine in each bus that can give you change (for \1000 bills only).
- ⑤ The fare for children under 12 years old is half price, and a child under 6 years is free when getting on with an adult. When an adult accompanies more than one child, only the first child is free of charge, and the rest of them need to pay half price of an adult.

Various IC cards / How to use them

IC cards (CI-CA, Pitapa, ICOCA) are usable on the buses.

"CI-CA" is a prepaid IC card available only for use on the Nara Kotsu Bus. The card must be charged in advanced, and charging a large amount (\3000/\5000) can result in a 10% bonus in credit.

- ① When you board the bus, instead of taking a ticket, touch your card of choice in front of the IC reader. When you hear a tone and reader lights up, you can go find a seat.
- ② When you want to leave the bus, just touch your card in front of the IC reader at the front by the driver, and you will hear a tone and see the light again when your fare has been automatically deducted.

Sakurai Community Bus

In Sakurai City, there are three community bus lines called the Sakurai Hase-sen, the Asakura Dai-sen and the Tounomine-sen. Sakurai Community Buses

use the same bus cars as Nara Koutsuu buses, but you can distinguish them by the following symbol found on the front of the bus



- Please board the bus from the back door, and exit via the front door.
- The fares are posted on a panel in front of the bus. Check the fare with the number on your ticket (seiriken) and together with the ticket put your money in the fare box in the front of the bus before getting off. Please make sure to have the proper amount of change before boarding. No change will be returned from the money you put into the fare box. However, there is a money changing machine in each bus that can give you change (for \1000 bills only).
- ICOCA, PiTaPa and CI-CA can also be used on these buses.

If you wish to learn more about the bus route or get a copy of the bus schedule, please call the Planning Section in City Hall (0744-42-9111, ext. 256), or Nara Koutsuu Haibara Office (0745-82-2201)