

TEAM SHŌKAI • チーム紹介

We would like to learn more about you!

Prepare a *Team Shōkai* that you can present live during the Championship Round. Each competing team should work together and prepare your team's script. Each member should speak for at least 30 seconds, with presentations being no longer than 90 seconds total.

CONTENT:

- Introduce your school and state
- Introduce your team: your names and one thing that is special about each of you
- Tell us one thing you learned while studying for the Japan Bowl
- Optional: We STRONGLY encourage you to include a proverb or idiom from the Study Guide in your *Team Shōkai*.

The elements of the *Team Shōkai* do not have to appear in this order, so be creative! The goal is to convince the audience to root for *your school* during this round.

SUBMISSION:

You do not need to submit your *Team Shōkai* prior to the competition. Note: this is a change from last year's procedure.

PRESENTATION:

Memorize your *Team Shōkai*! Level 2 students may refer to a notecard while speaking. No notes or phones for Level 3 and Level 4. Note: this is a change from last year's procedure.

TEAM HAIKU • チーム俳句

In honor of our Deep Dive Culture topic this year, our Japan Bowl Council members have a special request: we would like each team to submit one original *Team Haiku*.

Level 2 and Level 3 *Team Haiku* may be in English or Japanese.
Level 4, compose your haiku in Japanese!

FORMATTING OPTIONS: (choose one)

1. Get creative with a PowerPoint (.pptx)! Type your haiku on a slide and add appropriate imagery, but be sure not to use copyrighted characters or images.
2. Keep it simple and clean with a Word document (.docx, .pdf).

SUBMISSION:

Team Haiku submissions are due by **Monday, March 17, 2025**.

To submit your *Team Haiku*:

- Make sure to include your school name, team level, and team members' names in the document.
- Save the file as a PowerPoint (.pptx) or Word (.docx or .pdf) document named "SchoolName_TeamLevel"
(for example: VirginiaHighSchool_LV2.pptx).
- Email it to japanbowl@jaswdc.org
 - To ensure delivery and receipt of your files, please do not send Google Drive links, image files, or any file type other than those listed above.

QUESTIONS?

For any questions regarding the *Team Shōkai* or *Team Haiku*, please reach out to us at japanbowl@jaswdc.org.

