
Signed a cooperative agreement on education with a school in Chiang Mai, Thailand Exchange program will be started on October 7 with four teachers and staff from Chiang Mai.

Asari Education Academy Group (Sapporo, Hokkaido; President: Kenji Asari), which operates nursery schools, kindergartens, and certified childcare centers in Hokkaido, has concluded a partnership agreement on education with Tonkla School (Chiang Mai, Thailand; Founder and President: Boonanake Maneetham). On Wednesday, August 28, a ceremony was held at Tonkla School to sign the agreement, and five teachers and staff from Asari Education Academy Group visited Thailand.

Through this cooperative agreement, we will implement exchange programs for teachers and staff, joint research projects, and educational business-related matters.

On October 7 (Mon.) and 8 (Tue.), as part of the exchange program, four teachers and staff from Tonkla School will visit Sapporo to observe, exchange ideas, participate in childcare (Free play, physical activity and eurhythmics etc.), and experience programming. On Monday, October 7, 4- and 5-year-olds will hold a welcome ceremony at Kitago Ayumi Kindergarten (3-8-15, Kitago 3-jo, Shiroishi-ku, Sapporo, Hokkaido).



Why did we sign a cooperation agreement with Tonkla School?

Tonkla School's motto is to make both adults and children happy. They adopted the Finnish educational philosophy that children learn and grow through play and that they do not need to evaluate children's abilities based on what children are involved. This admirable model matches our own philosophy and has led us to strengthen ties.

We believe that this agreement will lead to the development of improved early childhood education and teacher quality in both countries through the sharing of information, knowledge and values. Teachers and staff who have received training will apply what they have learned in the training to

education at their own schools, thereby improving the quality of education. We also expect that through active communication with the teachers and staff from Thailand, our teachers will be able to broaden their perspectives and gain experience by encountering values modes of thought they have never encountered before.

Visit to Tonkla School

On August 28 and 29, five teachers and staff from Asari Education Academy Group visited Tonkla School and gave a demonstration class to local 5-year-old children. In the class, we made origami shurikens, put on ninja headgear, and did some physical activities. Afterwards, there was an exchange of ideas with the teachers and staff, where we talked about our group's relationship with the children and shared our impressions of the demonstration class with each other. We found the open dialogue to be very beneficial to both parties.



Tonkla School

Educational Policy:HAPPY KIDS LEARN BEST

Age Group:2-12 years old

(Pre-K to 6th grade)

The number of children:648 (as of September 30, 2024)

Tonkla School was founded in 2009 with experts in early childhood education, psychology, and educational administration who believe in "Happiness is the beginning of learning."

The kindergarten offers an Integrated English Program

(English:Thai 5:5) and an International Program

(English:Thai 8:2), with the International Program incorporating a Finnish curriculum.

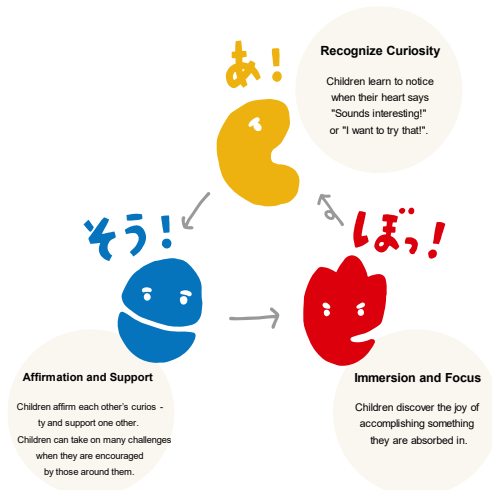
Official Website:<https://www.tonkla.ac.th/>



Asari Education Academy Group

The Group is based on a kindergarten attached to Hokkaido Nihon University High School (currently Sapporo Nihon University Gakuen School Corporation), which was established in 1969, and a federation of three corporations: Asari Kyoiku Gakuen Educational Corporation, Asumoe Social Welfare Corporation, and Jiyu sozo Gakuen Educational Corporation. As of 2024, the Group oversees 13 certified childcare centers, kindergartens, and nursery schools (approximately 1,100 children and 300 staff), mainly in the central region of Hokkaido, through the acceptance of local government projects for the privatization of nursery schools and new construction to reduce the number of children waiting for daycare. Based on the educational policy "Ah – So – Bo!", the Group's vision is to nurture children with sensitivity toward gaining independence. The Group's mission is to provide society with people who are flexible, strong, and equipped with confidence to excel.

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