

125th Anniversary Commemoration: “Toward the Future with Sign Language”

Principal: YOSHIDA Shinya

On the occasion of the 125th anniversary of our school’s founding, we are pleased to publish this commemorative booklet with English translations to reflect on the long journey that has brought us to this day, a journey marked by challenges, perseverance, and growth. It is also our hope that this publication will allow us to share the philosophy and practices we have cultivated with the global community.



Our school has faced seven relocations due to war damage and natural disasters. Even during eras when oral education was the national mainstream, we steadfastly advocated for the importance of sign language and remained committed to an educational approach that protects the dignity of our students. More recently, during the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic, we worked with unwavering determination to safeguard both the life(health) and future(learning) of our students.

As we look ahead, we will continue to uphold the founding spirit of our school and strive for further development as an institution where deaf students can grow, thrive, and spread their wings into society and the wider world.

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PTA President: KANEDA Hiromi

Congratulations on the 125th anniversary of the school's founding. As an alumna, I am deeply honored to serve as PTA president in this milestone year.



At a time when oral education dominated across Japan, our school protected and carried forward the tradition of sign language education. I sincerely hope that the aspirations of our predecessors will continue to live on, that the will and individuality of each student will shine even more brightly, and that we can pass the baton proudly to the next generation. Supported by the warm community surrounding our alma mater, I look forward to contributing to its continued growth as a place of learning that forms the foundation of each child's life. I pray for the ongoing development of Osaka Chuo Deaf School and for the health and happiness of all.

Suzukake Alumni Association President: YAMAWAKI Keiji

It is with great joy that I celebrate the 125th anniversary of our cherished alma mater. Over its long history, the dedication and efforts of countless individuals have shaped the wonderful school we know today.



I hope that the time spent here will be filled with smiles for every student. Please continue to believe in yourselves and in those around you, and move forward with confidence and positivity.

Congratulations on this remarkable milestone!