

Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports,  
Science and Technology

# The Museum of MEXT



MINISTER'S  
OFFICE  
in 1933



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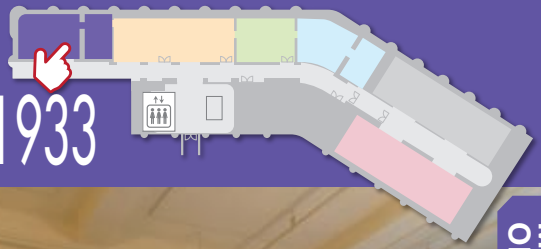
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## Introduction

**The Museum of MEXT** is a space dedicated to disseminating information on MEXT's wide range of activities in the areas of **"EDUCATION"**, **"SPORTS"**, **"SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY"**, and **"CULTURE"**. It introduces MEXT's past and present through panels and exhibits. The museum opened in 2008 when MEXT moved its office building to the current location. It utilizes the office building of the former Ministry of Education, Science and Culture built in 1933 which is also designated as a Registered Tangible Cultural Property.

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Visitors can experience the history of the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture in the Minister's office which has been restored and preserved faithful to its original state when first constructed in 1933. Furniture used by successive ministers are displayed.



### First Ministry of Education, Science and Culture Minister's words on "Vigilance"

Written words of advice by Arinori Mori, first Ministry of Education, Science and Culture minister, on how staff should prepare themselves for their official duties.



### Official seal, Signboard

Official seals and signboards used by the former Ministry of Education, Science and Culture, the former Science and Technology Agency and the Agency for Cultural Affairs are displayed.

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Group visitors may sit in the actual chair used by former ministers! For those interested, please make reservations in advance.

# EDUCATION



One of MEXT's priorities is to create and promote education policy in Japan. Visitors will learn about the history of education in Japan and the latest education system through a chronological table, a classroom theater, and an exhibit of school lunches and stationery used throughout history.



## History of Education (chronological table)

An introduction on the history of education in Japan dating back to the Nara Period (AD 710-794) down to the present.



## Classroom Theater

The mini-theater replicated into a classroom during the early Showa Period lets visitors learn about the history of education in Japan and the history of the former MEXT building.





### School Lunches throughout History

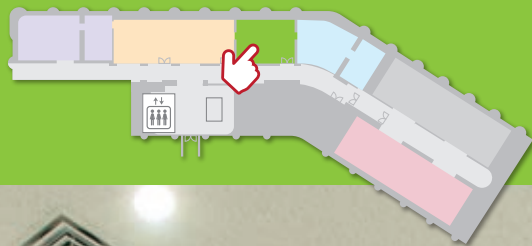
School lunch menus are replicated from when the school lunch program was launched in the Meiji Period (1868-1912) down to the present.



### Nostalgic Stationery

Stationery used from the end of World War 2 (1945) down to the present are chronologically displayed.

## SPORTS



The Japan Sports Agency works to promote various sport initiatives in Japan, from daily sports activities to strengthening Olympic and Paralympic athletes. The sports exhibit displays the history of sport in Japan from the Meiji Period (1868-1912) down to the present and the JSA's latest sports policies.



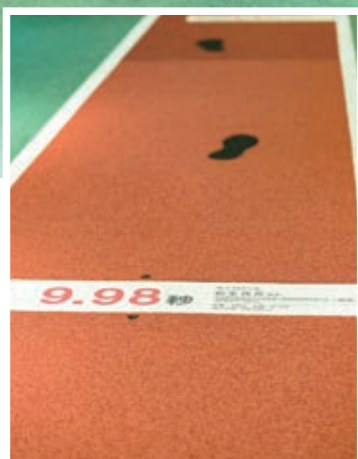
### Tokyo Olympics Podium

A replica of the 1964 Tokyo Olympics podium is displayed. Visitors can experience feeling like a medalist.



### Physical development of Children in Japan

Visitors can compare their actual grip strength with past and present data.



### Top athlete records

Visitors can experience records set by top athletes in Japan.



# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Japan takes pride in being a global leader in cutting-edge science and technology with its history of the tireless efforts of countless researchers. The Science and Technology exhibit offers historical and cutting-edge information on various policies advanced by MEXT including the promotion of basic research and large-scale projects.



## History of Science and Technology Policies in Japan (chronology)

The history of science and technology in Japan from the Edo Period (1603-1868) down to the present are introduced chronologically.







**Cutting-edge research**

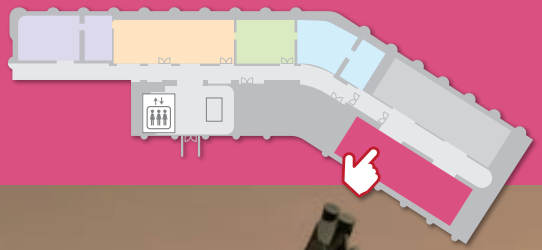
Achievements in cutting-edge science and technology research are displayed.



**Database of Japanese scientists**

Profiles and interviews of Japanese Nobel laureates (in natural sciences) and others are displayed.

## CULTURE



The history of Japanese culture from ancient times includes a diverse range of arts, crafts, cultural properties and cultural heritage that have evolved from various traditions. Japan also boasts culture in the latest media arts. The Agency for Cultural Affairs works to advance the preservation, conservation and promotion of Japan's historical and traditional culture, while promoting measures to create new forms of media. Visitors will learn more about Japanese culture by touching upon just one end of the spectrum.



### Cultural Properties Gallery

Replicas of precious artifacts and important intangible cultural properties created by living natural treasures are displayed.



### Efforts to Preserve and Restore Tumuli Frescoes

The techniques and measures to preserve and restore Japan's native tumuli frescoes are introduced.



### Cultural Architecture Models

Detailed replicas of Japanese cultural architecture are displayed.



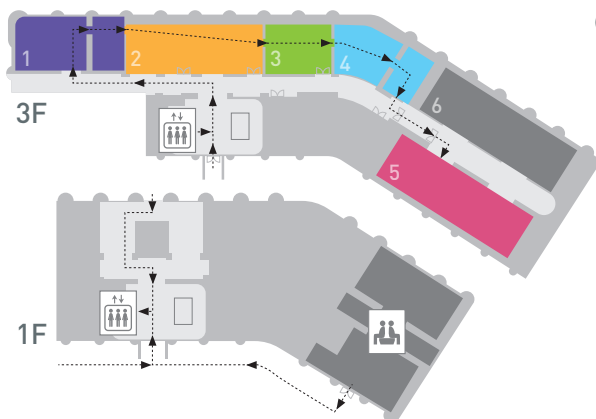
### Regional Folk Culture

Ainu culture including an Ainu Attus coat and Ainu folk art are displayed.

## ● Exhibition 6 SPECIAL EXHIBIT ROOM

## ● New Office Building Second Floor Entrance

Cutting-edge research by various universities and research organizations are displayed. The exhibiting organization and exhibit contents differ all year round.



## ● Lounge

The lounge has a theater space to disseminate information on events organized by MEXT, universities and research organizations, and a rest area for browsing various pamphlets.



## Access Map

### Location

The former Ministry of Education, Science, Sports and Culture building

3F: Exhibit rooms, 1F: Lounge

### Access

- Toranomon Station Exit 11, Ginza Subway Line
- Kasumigaseki Station Exit A13, 5 minute walk from the Chiyoda, Marunouchi and Hibiya Subway Lines

### Opening Hours

Monday thru Friday 10:00 ~ 18:00

Last admission is half an hour before closing.  
Closed on Saturday, Sunday and holidays

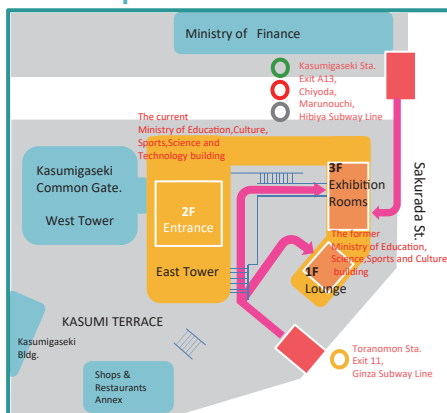
### Admission Fee

Free of charge

### Group Visits

Please register through the following link

<http://www.mext.go.jp/joho-hiroba/access/entry.htm>



### Request to visitors

- Eating and drinking inside the museum is not allowed.
- Please use the lounge for resting and as a meeting place.
- Photos taken inside the museum are limited for personal use only.

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