令和7(2025)年度第5学年9月編入学選抜検査

Fall Entrance Examination 2025 for 5th Grade Applicants

外国語作文(英語) Foreign Language Essay (English)

令和7 (2025) 年7月2日 (水) 実施 Wednesday, July 2, 2025

Attention

- 1 Keep your test booklet closed until you are instructed to open this booklet.
- 2 Remain silent during test time.
- 3 You will be given 45 minutes to complete the Foreign Language Essay.
- 4 Write your name and registration number on the test booklet, and write your registration number on your answer sheet.
- 5 There is a separate answer sheet. The essay should be written within the space provided on the answer sheet **in English**.
- 6 You may freely use the blank space in the booklet. Any marks in this booklet will not be scored.
- 7 No questions concerning the test content will be answered.
- 8 Both your test booklet and your answer sheet will be collected after the test.

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Registration number	Name

Read the passage below and write an essay answering the following question.

Mexico is leading the way in using taxation to tackle obesity and related health issues, successfully taxing unhealthy food options. Research from Imperial College Business School affirms that taxing foods high in fat, salt, or sugar (HFSS) reduces sales, purchases, and consumption—particularly among lower-income groups, who tend to be the highest consumers of these items.

The study highlights that higher tax rates are more effective in lowering HFSS food consumption and reducing obesity, especially when paired with government assistance to pay for healthier alternatives and influence efforts of media and non-governmental organizations aligned to this goal. Evidence suggests that an 8% tax on high-calorie foods in Mexico led to an 18% drop in supermarket sales and up to a 40% decline in other retail environments. Additionally, countries that adopt higher tax rates—between 20% and 50%—and reinvest this money into healthy food government assistance programs see the most significant public health benefits.

This strategy demonstrates global potential, as similar policies have been explored in the United States, Canada, Hungary, Denmark, Singapore, and New Zealand. Governments seeking to address obesity and diet-related diseases may find these targeted fiscal measures an effective way to reshape consumer habits and promote healthier populations.

Adopted from:

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QUESTION

Imagine you are a government official considering the policy of taxing HFSS foods. Is this the most appropriate policy to achieve your overall goals? If so, what objections must you overcome in coming to your decision? If not, what alternative plan do you propose?

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【採点基準】

A理解と解釈

問題文・資料・設問を的確に理解し、それに対応した答えになっている。

B 論理

論理展開が理にかなっている。

意見の発展に、想像力や洞察力がみられる。

C構成

文や段落のつながりや流れを効果的に展開し、論点が絞られている。

D 言語

正確な語法、豊かな語彙を、課題に適した表現方法で使用している。