

Student Support News

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Staying Safe during New Year's Vacation

We ask all students to be aware of the following to ensure a safe New Year's vacation.

1. Alcohol Consumption

There are many opportunities to drink alcohol during this season due to New Year's parties etc. We wish to remind you that underage drinking, driving drunk, and pressuring others to drink are unacceptable behaviors. Please drink safely and responsibly to prevent alcohol-related accidents.

2. Traffic Accidents

Commuting by bicycle or motorcycle requires extra care during the winter months due to snowy and icy road conditions. Please observe traffic etiquette and rules and drive safely to avoid becoming the victim, or cause, of a road injury.

3. Illegal Drugs (marijuana, "loophole drugs" etc.)

Recently, a student at Tohoku University was arrested on suspicion of attempting to import illegal drugs. Please do not involve yourself with illegal drugs, or even drugs you suspect of being illegal.

Although we have already issued similar notices throughout the semester, during the New Year's vacation we strongly urge all students to reappraise any potential dangers in their surroundings, and take preventative measures to avoid accidents. Please keep in mind that being a Tohoku University student comes with both privileges and obligations, and behave in responsible manner.