

## Interview with Edgren students

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On January 8th, we went to Misawa-City and visited Edgren High School. At first, we were surprised at the emergency exit marks. In Japan, they are green, but they were red there. As a kind of difference between schools in U.S. and Japan, people there enter wearing their shoes.

We sat in the seats in the library. The library was as large as that in Aomori High School. There were many kinds of books. Soon, Edgren High School's students came.



First, we had an interview with Kevin and Ethan. Kevin had lived in Philippines and Ethan had lived in Germany before Japan. We asked them their favorite music genre. Kevin likes pop and Ethan likes dubstep. Both have been to Aomori-city and seen Nebuta. They said Nebuta was cool.

Next, we talked to Kaitiin. She had lived in Indonesia. We asked her what club is she joining. She is in the string music club. Also, she has played the piano for seven years. Incidentally, both of us have played the piano for eleven years. Kaitiin doesn't know Nebuta so we want her to see it.



Through these interviews, we understood that foreign people are unexpectedly near because we live in the same place though our cultures are different. Their thoughts are similar to ours. Such communication can build the bridge between Japan and foreign countries, so we want to have more communication from now on.

- I couldn't go to this event, but I want to go someday. (Yumeno)
- I had a good time communicating with them. I found it important to talk while smiling. (Takuto)