

Address by the DCG Yamaguchi
2014 Rocky Mountain Japanese Language Education Seminar/Workshop
(Saturday September 20, 2014, 10:00am @University of Denver, Sturm Hall)

Thank you for introducing me, Mrs. Slotsve, President of the CJLEA.

Good morning, Ladies and gentlemen (OHAYOU-GOZAIMASU)

Thank you for having me here today.

It is a great pleasure for me to help welcome you all, along with a very special guest from Japan, Dr. Yoshikazu Kawaguchi.

As everyone here today knows, language education is key to building deeper understanding between people of different cultures. The Colorado Japanese Language Education Association (CJLEA) has for many years now been dedicated to the goal of excellence in teaching Japanese language and culture in the Rocky Mountain region, to help strengthen relations between us.

Today's workshop will certainly further this effort, promising to be a useful and memorable experience for the committed educators here. Dr. Kawaguchi is a renowned scholar in the field of Japanese language education, and I would like to thank him for bringing his expertise here to Colorado for the benefit of all of us. Please also let me thank the CJLEA, the Japan Foundation for working together to bring this event here today.

I sincerely hope that you will all make best use of fruitful achievement of the Seminar for toward creating deeper understanding of Japan among the students and people that you impact.

Thank you very much, please enjoy this opportunity.