## Special Sponsorship of the 17th Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest in Beijing, China

On December 17, 2022, we served as the special sponsor to the 17th Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest by Chinese students held by Hiroshima University and Capital Normal University as organizers at the Head Office of Fukuyama Transporting Co., Ltd. Due to the spread of COVID-19, in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Normalization of Diplomatic Relations between Japan and China, the contest was held online as a Japan-China cultural exchange event for the second time in the same manner as in March.

The contest received 179 applicants under the theme of "The 50th Anniversary of the Normalization of Diplomatic Relations between Japan and China and I," among which 5 outstanding candidates selected by screening process delivered their speeches based on their own experiences and written compositions on the future relationship and exchange between Japan and China.

Ms. Yoshiko Kijima, Minister of the Embassy of Japan in China as a guest of honor, and Mr. Toshiyuki Sato, Executive Vice President of Hiroshima University as an organizer attended the contest.



(Venue of the 17th Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest in Beijing, China)



(Commemorative photo of the 17th Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest in Beijing, China)