

JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE 2019 National Scholarship Program Guidelines

The 2019 National JACL Scholarship Program informational brochure and applications are now posted on the National JACL website (www.jacl.org). Click “Youth” on the menu bar to access the scholarship program webpage. The scholarship categories offered are Freshman, Undergraduate, Graduate, Law, Creative Arts, Performing Arts and Student Aid.

FRESHMAN -- All freshman applications must be submitted to:
Twin Cities JACL Scholarship Committee
c/o Pam Dagoberg
4365 Kingsview Ln N
Plymouth, MN 55446

Applications must be postmarked no later than **Friday, March 1, 2019**.

Applications will be reviewed and outstanding applications will be forwarded on to the National Scholarship Committee for further evaluation and final decisions.

OTHER GRADE LEVELS -- The Undergraduate, Graduate, Law, Creative Arts, Performing Arts and Student Aid applications must be postmarked no later than **April 1, 2019** and are to be mailed directly by the applicant to:

National JACL Scholarship Committee
c/o JACL Midwest District Council
10604 Killarney Drive
Union, Kentucky 41091

To All Applicants: All applications must be on the **2019 application form** that is posted on the JACL website (www.jacl.org). **Note:** the required Personal Statement essay question changes each year, so students must use the 2019 application for consideration by the National Scholarship Committees.

All applications must be complete at the time of submission and meet the stated deadlines in order to be considered. Applications and required materials must be submitted in one packet; materials may NOT be submitted separately. Incomplete applications will NOT be accepted or considered by the committees.

Students are allowed to apply to ONE CATEGORY ONLY: Freshman, Undergraduate, Graduate, Law, Creative Arts or Performing Arts. The exception to this rule is that any applicant may also apply for the Student Aid Scholarship in addition to another category. However, a successful applicant will only receive the higher of the two awards applied for.

Applicants are judged on the basis of their JACL involvement, scholastic achievement, extra-curricular activities, community involvement, personal statement and letter of recommendation.

Requirements:

- JACL Membership (Individual or Youth/Student)
- Personal Statement
- A Letter of Recommendation
- Official transcripts (only one copy required from each school)
- The original, plus 2 copies, of the application and all required materials (except for required transcripts).

In August 2019, the scholarship recipients will have been determined and electronic notification will be made to those selected. The JACL chapters to which the awardees belong will be notified as well. In the Fall of 2019, the JACL national newspaper, the Pacific Citizen, will publish its annual Scholarship Edition highlighting all of the award recipients.

One must be enrolled in school in the Fall of 2019 in order to receive a scholarship. Past recipients are limited to a total of two National JACL Scholarships.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact JACL Regional Director Patty Wada at pwada@jacl.org, (415) 921-5225, extension 39, or National Vice President Matthew Farrells at mfarrells@jacl.org.

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