

Sakura Gakuen PTC Tuition Assistance Scholarship Fall Semester 2014

For currently enrolled students of Sakura Gakuen Japanese Language School of Sacramento

The Sakura Gakuen PTC Tuition Assistance Scholarship is available to qualified continuing students having successfully completed at least one full semester at this school and who are sincerely motivated to study Japanese language and culture at the Sakura Gakuen Japanese Language School for children. This scholarship is a partial offset of the Fall Semester tuition and may be renewed for Spring Semester upon review by the current Scholarship Selection Committee of the recipient's academic commitment, school community involvement, and family participation and fulfillment of volunteer requirements. The intent of the scholarship is to promote the appreciation and understanding of Japanese language and culture. The completed application packet and recommendations must be received by close of business on the below specified deadline at the office of the Buddhist Church of Sacramento at 2401 Riverside Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95818 for consideration. The two required letters of recommendation must be submitted directly (mailed) by the author, as it will allow them the freedom to be honest in their assessment of the applicant. Incomplete, illegible, or late applications will not be considered. Letters of recommendation received after the deadline will not be included in the application review process. Students related to current or recent (within 3 years) members of Sakura Gakuen Board, Sakura Gakuen Parent Teacher Committee board members, Sakura Gakuen paid or volunteer teaching staff, or Sakura Gakuen PTC Tuition Assistance Scholarship Selection Committee members will not be considered for this scholarship.

Selection criteria considered include

Academic performance
Extracurricular activities, including work/volunteer experience
Letters of recommendation
Personal essay or letter

For consideration for awards for Fall 2014 the application deadline is : April 15, 2014

Personal essay:

Discuss your interest in Japanese language and culture and how you expect to use the language skills gained through Sakura Gakuen.

Personal letter (for applicants less than 12 years old at application deadline):

Discuss what you have learned from your time at Sakura Gakuen and why you are interested in Japanese language and culture.

Letters of recommendation:

One letter must be from a teacher from the Sakura Gakuen Japanese Language School that is familiar with the applicant's abilities. The other letter may be from anyone with relevant knowledge of the applicant, excluding immediate and distant family members.

