

Want to go to senior high school but worried that your parents can't afford it? This is for you.



Aichi Prefectural Board of Education

Selection by recommendation for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds who study hard

- Aichi prefectural senior high schools offer a selection by recommendation process for “individuals of outstanding personality who have overcome their disadvantaged background and are highly motivated to study, whose attitude toward life will be a model for others.”
- In this selection process, “disadvantaged background” is defined as the applicant's parent or guardian meeting any of conditions (1) to (3) in **Table 1** on page 2, or the applicant himself or herself meeting condition (4), and the supporting documentation required is listed in the “Supporting Documentation” column.
- The selection process comprises a recommendation from the applicant's junior high school principal, after screening by the junior high school at the request of the applicant's parent or guardian or the applicant himself or herself. As this is an important matter, if you wish to apply via this route, please talk it over thoroughly with your parent or guardian before asking your homeroom teacher.

Senior high school scholarship grants

- Scholarship grants are money paid by the government to reduce the cost of tuition fees. (The amounts are shown in **Table 2** on page 2.)
- To receive a scholarship grant, you must submit an application when you start school in April.

Exemptions or reductions for entrance fees and tuition fees

- Aichi Prefecture offers an exemption from entrance fees for people in financially difficult circumstances.
- Tuition fees can also be reduced temporarily for families in financial difficulties due to a sudden change in family circumstances who are not eligible for scholarship grants because their income was too high in the previous year (or the year before this), until they do become eligible.
- To apply using this system, please ask the senior high school you are due to enter, following the instructions given in the orientation meeting for successful applicants. (The conditions for students who started in April 2020 are shown in **Table 3** on page 2).

Benefit payments

- For individuals who meet certain conditions, Aichi Prefecture also offers non-repayable benefit payments to help with the financial costs of senior high school or equivalent educational institution other than tuition fees.
- To use this system, please apply after you start senior high school, within the period specified by the senior high school you attend. (The conditions for students who started in April 2020 are shown in **Table 4** on page 2.)

Student loans

- Aichi Prefecture offers loans to support senior high school students in their studies, and this system is used by a large number of students.
- To use this system, please apply after you start senior high school, within the period specified by the senior high school you attend (around June). (The conditions for students who started in April 2020 are shown in **Table 5** on page 2.)

Table 1. Circumstances that count as a “disadvantaged background” for selection by recommendation and the supporting documentation required

Reason	Supporting Documentation
(1) Public assistance recipient under the provisions of Article 6, Paragraph 1 of the Public Assistance Act (Law no. 144 of 1950).	(1) Documentation issued by the director of the Welfare Office concerned certifying the receipt of public assistance, or previously issued documentation establishing the receipt of public assistance
(2) Persons not paying municipal tax or paying only the per capita portion of municipal tax under the provisions of the Local Tax Act (Law no. 226 of 1950)	(2) Certificate of tax exemption, taxation certificate, or notification of the amount of tax collected issued by the mayor of the municipality concerned
(3) Persons receiving child-rearing allowance under the provisions of the Child Rearing Allowance Act (Law no. 238 of 1961) (excluding persons receiving a partial allowance)	(3) Certificate of child-rearing allowance issued by the governor of the prefecture or mayor of the municipality concerned (or the director of a prefectural or municipal Welfare Office)
(4) Persons who have been the subject of measures as children lacking proper care under the provisions of Article 27, Paragraph 1, Item 3 of the Child Welfare Act (Law no. 164 of 1947)	(4) Documentation issued by the director of the Child Guidance Office or child welfare institution concerned certifying that measures have been taken

Notes: Documents certifying (2) or (3) may also be used to apply for exemption from entrance fees to prefectural senior high schools, provided there has been no change in circumstances since the previous year.

Documents certifying (1) to (3) may also be used to apply for exemption from entrance fees to Nagoya City senior high schools, provided there has been no change in circumstances since the previous year.

Table 2. Scholarship grant amounts and supporting documentation

Amount (full-time course, per year)	Total amount paid by both parents in municipal and prefectural income-graded taxes*	Documentation confirming the amounts of municipal and prefectural income-graded taxes
118,800 yen	Less than 304,200 yen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document to certify Individual Number (Individual Number Card, etc.) • Taxation certificate • Notification of determination of the amount of special tax collection • Notification of residence tax payment

*Tax base × 0.06 – Adjusted deduction (As for Nagoya City, Adjusted deduction × 3/4)

Note: Need not be repaid.

Table 3. Conditions for exemption or reduction of entrance and tuition fees and supporting documentation required (for prefectural senior high schools)

Condition	Proportion of reduction	Supporting documentation
(1) Persons not paying municipal tax or paying only the per capita portion of municipal tax Note: Same as Table 1 (2)	Entire amount of entrance and tuition fees	(1) Certificate of tax exemption, taxation certificate, or notification of determination of the amount of special tax collection issued by the mayor of the municipality concerned
(2) Persons receiving child-rearing allowance (excluding persons receiving a partial allowance) Note: Same as Table 1 (3)		(2) Certificate of child-rearing allowance
(3) Persons with a remaining total taxable income on which municipal tax is payable of 336,000 yen or less, after deductions of 330,000 yen for each dependent family member aged 15 or under and of 120,000 for each dependent family member aged 16 or over	Half of tuition fees	(3) Taxation certificate or notification of determination of the amount of special tax collection issued by the mayor of the municipality concerned

Note: For applicants who meet the conditions for the payment of senior high school scholarship grants, only the entrance fee will be exempted or reduced.

Table 4. Eligibility for application for benefit payments

Conditions applying to student	Conditions applying to parents/guardians
Students who started the first year of senior high school (including schools outside Aichi Prefecture) in or after April 2014 and are qualified to receive senior high school, etc. scholarship grants (national government grants to assist with tuition fees) until July	Households receiving public assistance (occupational assistance) as of July 1 in the financial year of application, or in which all parents or guardians are exempt from paying income-graded prefectural and municipal tax (zero tax payable)

Notes:

1. These are benefits that need not be repaid.
2. Decisions on actual eligibility will be made after screening in accordance with the conditions for the financial year in which applications are made. (As for 2020, as COVID-19 countermeasures, the benefits are also applied if your parents'/guardians' estimated annual income is equivalent to tax-exemption because of the sudden income change.)
3. If your parents/guardians are registered as residents of a prefecture other than Aichi Prefecture, you can apply for prefectural benefit payments from the prefecture where they are registered.

Table 5. Eligibility for student loans

Conditions
Current students of senior high schools or equivalent educational institutions (including schools outside Aichi Prefecture) with parents or legal guardians residing in Aichi Prefecture. Their parents' or guardians' standard taxable income (the total taxable income on which the income-graded portion of municipal tax is payable) must be 2.3 million yen or less after certain deductions.

Note: These loans must be repaid after graduation from senior high school.