

# Scholarships to support households facing sudden changes in income

The Shiga Prefectural Board of Education provides scholarships **that do not need to be repaid** to guardians (or other eligible persons) in low-income households (whose prefectural and municipal taxes based on income are 0 yen [tax-exempt]) with high school students enrolled in national and public high schools, or other eligible students or schools.

Households **equivalent to tax-exempt households** for financial reasons resulting from sudden changes in income, such as job loss of guardians, are also eligible for these scholarships. In those cases, please read the following.

Note: If the guardian's prefectural and municipal taxes based on income for the academic year in question are 0 yen (tax-exempt), please apply for annual payment.

## 1. Eligibility

### Guardians in households that meet all of the following qualifications as of the reference date

Reference date: For sudden changes in income in or before July 1: July 1 of the academic year of application  
For sudden changes in income in or after July 2: The first day of the month following the application date (or the application month if the application date is at the beginning of the month)

- Have high school (or other school) students who are eligible to receive high school tuition support funds, re-learning support funds, or advanced course tuition support funds
- Have guardians (or other persons) with an address in Shiga Prefecture
- Be **deemed equivalent to households exempt from paying prefectural and municipal taxes on an income basis for financial reasons resulting from sudden changes in income** (If there are two or more guardians, they must all be equivalent to those exempt from paying prefectural and municipal taxes.)
  - \* If the sudden changes in income are resolved before the payment is decided, eligibility may be lost.
  - \* Separation from work that is not attributable to a disaster, ~~such as mandatory retirement, is not applicable.~~

Note: Households receiving welfare benefits (occupational assistance) are not eligible for support for sudden changes in income.

## 2. Scholarship amount

The scholarship amount provided for sudden changes in income in or before July 1 is as shown in the table below, and the amount provided for changes in or after July 2 is calculated based on the application date (see note 2 below the table).

Classification		Amount
Full-day course Part-time course	First person	122,100 yen
	Second and subsequent persons <sup>1</sup>	143,700 yen
Correspondence course / Advanced course		50,500 yen

- High school or other students who have siblings who are supported by the same guardian and fulfill either of the following conditions
  - Persons aged 15 and over (excluding junior high school students) and under 23
  - High school or other students aged 23 and over
- In the case of an application due to sudden changes in income in or after July 2, as a general rule, the amount is calculated according to the number of months starting the month following the application date.  
(e.g.) Application in September for the first person attending a full-day course → 122,100 yen × 6 months (from October to March of the following year) / 12 months = 61,050 yen

### 3. How to apply

○ Application period:

Sudden changes in income in or before July 1: **From July 3 to 31 of the academic year applied for**

Sudden changes in income in or after July 2: **From July 3 to January 20 of the academic year applied for**

\* The amount of the scholarship varies depending on the timing of the application.

○ Application method: Submit all the necessary documents to **the high school at which the student is enrolled.**

Application forms and sample completed forms are distributed by the school. They can also be downloaded from the Board of Education website.

◆ Inquiries

Please contact the high school at which the student is enrolled.