

Did you know the state provides tuition support funding?

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION SUPPORT FUND



1. High School Tuition Support Fund System

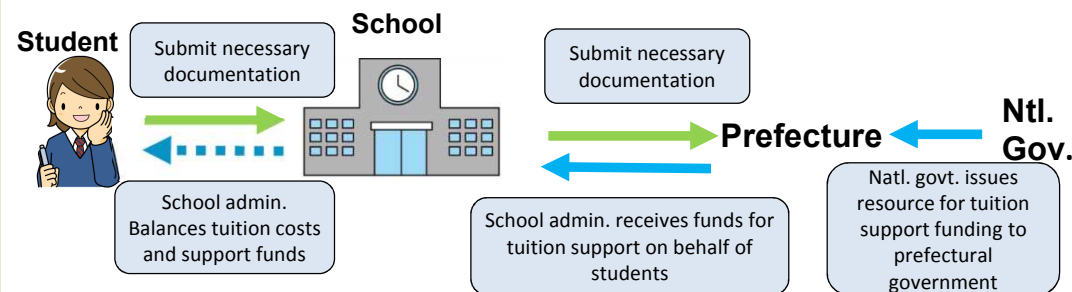
The High School Tuition Support Fund system provides tuition support funds for students to reduce the burden of household educational costs. The system's mission is to create a society in which all high school students can continue their studies regardless of their social and economic status. **Refund is unnecessary.**

2. Eligible Persons

- Individuals enrolled in high school or vocational high school (senior high school full-time course) at the beginning of the month
- ✗ Individuals falling under either one of the following are not eligible for tuition support:
 - Municipal income tax for all parents/guardians exceeds 304,200 yen (please refer to 5,6);
 - Individuals who have graduated or completed high school (excluding those who studied under 3 years);
 - Individuals who have attended high school for a total of more than 36 months (Period of study for part-time course and correspondence course is calculated in terms of the number of months, in which one month equals $\frac{1}{4}$ of attendance).

3. How to Receive

The school administration receive tuition fund in place of students and cancels out students' school tuition. **Students or guardians will not receive funds directly.** If school tuition costs more than tuition support funding, students need to cover exceeded amount (depending on the school, students need to pay full tuition fees first, but refunded by school later when tuition funding is received).



4. Application Procedure to Receive Tuition Support Fund

You must apply to receive funds !

(1) Application procedure (April upon student enrollment)

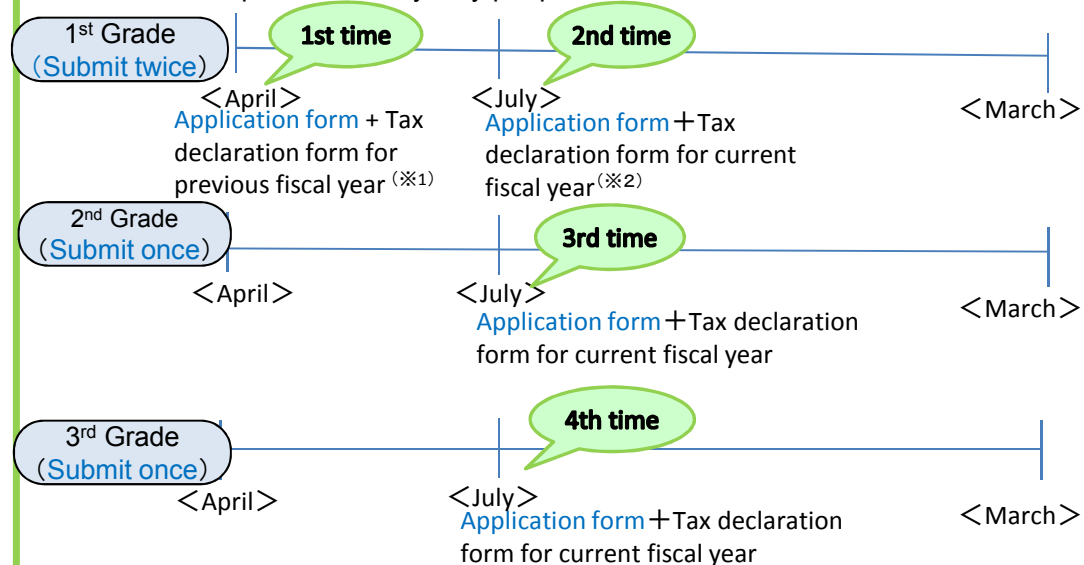
- ① Application form (distributed through school)
- ② Local tax documentation (request at your local municipal office) which verifies household income (documentation showing municipal income tax) as required by the municipal office.

✗ If the individual receives support funds based upon a false statement, he/she may be penalized for receiving of fraudulent gains.

(2) Notification procedure (annually around June-July)

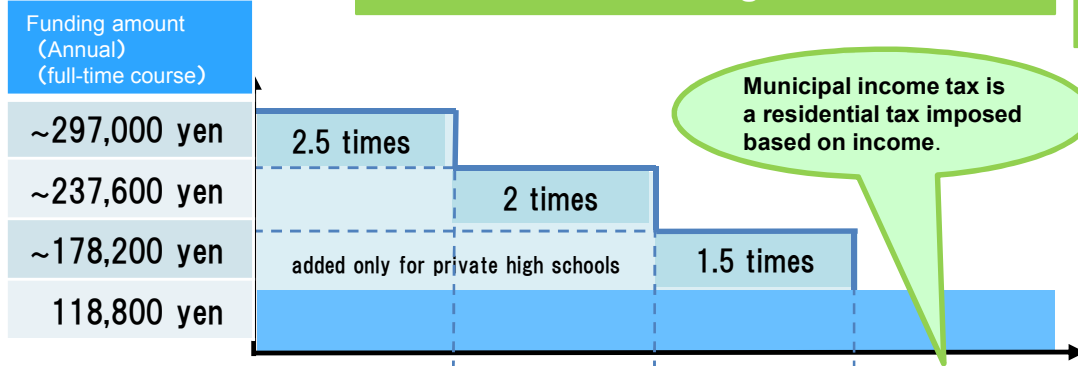
✗ Necessary to continuously receive fund

- ① Notification form (distributed through the school)
 - ② Local tax documentation and others
- After submitting documents ① and ② to the high school, tuition support funding will be granted once approved
- ✗ Document ② generally includes local tax documentation for all guardians (both parents must submit documents if attainable).
 - ✗ Document requirements may vary per prefecture.



- ✗1 Upon application in FY2016 FY2015 tax declaration form is required.
- ✗2 Upon application in FY2016, FY2016 tax declaration form is required.

5. How Much Funding Will I Receive?



Municipal income tax (Total for both guardians)	0 yen (Exempt from taxation)	up to 51,300 yen	up to 154,500 yen	up to 304,200 yen
Exemplary annual salary (※)	up to 2,500,000 yen	up to 3,500,000 yen	up to 5,900,000 yen	up to 9,100,000 yen

※Amount of support funding is confirmed not based on annual income, but the municipal income tax amount. Households paying **more than 304,200 yen** in municipal income tax must pay the full school tuition. Also, households must cover tuition in excess for difference in school tuition and tuition support fund.

※The above salary shows an exemplary businessperson's household income (household comprised of one working parent with one child attending high school and one child attending junior high). The exemplary annual income greatly varies depending on the family's situations (i.e. family structure and those who run independent business). **Please check municipal income tax fee with local ward office.**

※Amount of tuition support differs for part-time and correspondence course students.

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7. What is a Tax Declaration Form? (Content and form varies by municipality)

市区町村民税課税証明書

納税義務者 住所 氏名

所得の金額		税額	
平成 年度 (平成 年分所得)	収入金額	所得割額	均等割額
	給与 0円	市民税 0円	0円
	公的年金等 0円	住民税 0円	0円

所得の金額の内訳

所得の金額の内訳	本人控当	扶養控当	所得控除額	課税標準額
総所得 (内給与)	0円	控除額	0円	総所得 0千円
特別障害者	0円	老人控除額	0円	土壌等事業税 0千円
その他障害者	0円	同居老親等	0人	分権短期課税 0千円
土壌等事業税	0円	差額	0人	分権長期課税 0千円
分権短期課税	0円	特別差額	0人	株式等の課税 0千円
分権長期課税	0円	寡夫	1人	上乗せ配当 0千円
株式等の課税	0円	1.6歳未満	2人	地蔵除所得 0千円
上乗せ配当	0円	その他控当	0人	障害者控当 0千円
知事取引所得	0円	同居特別障害者	0人	山林 0千円
山林	0円	特別障害者	0人	退職 0千円
退職	0円	その他障害者	0人	

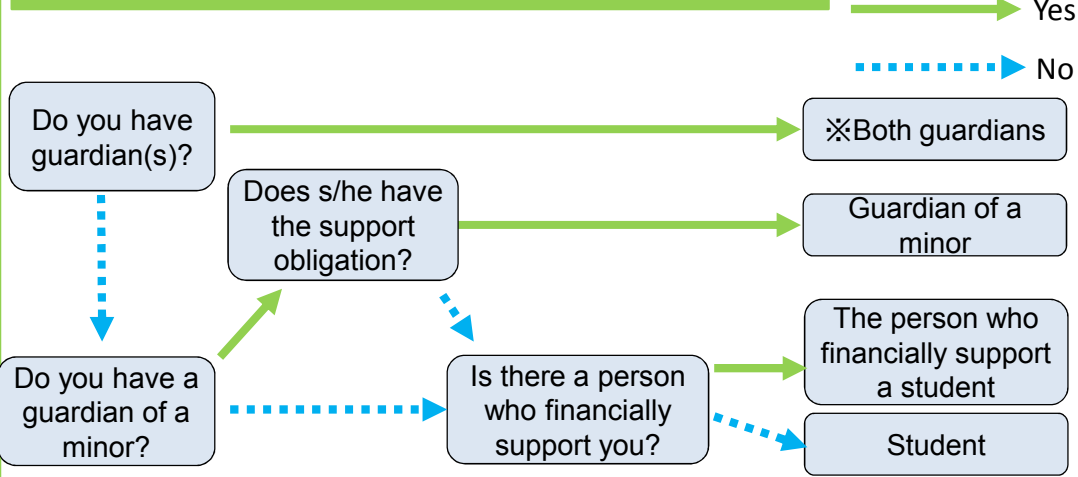
1.6歳未満の課税標準額は、平成23年度以前分については、その租税課税に含まれていません。

Municipal per capita taxes are not included. For those living in the 23 special wards of Tokyo, please confirm your special ward income tax rate.

◆Municipal income tax fees can be verified by the following documents.

- Tax declaration form (issued by ward office)
- Notification of decision/modification on special collection of municipal income tax (distributed by employer every June. Please retain this document).
- “Notification on collection of residence tax” (for self-employers, notification is distributed by ward office).
- ※unverifiable with “statement of earnings”.
- ◆ If you have not declared your taxes, or if your municipal tax documentation cannot be issued, please first declare your taxes.

6. Whose Tax Declaration Form Do I Submit?



※ You do not need to submit local tax document in the following circumstances;

- Unable to obtain tax declaration forms due to domestic violence
- Guardian(s) is exempt from taxation because s/he lives overseas

Please contact the school or your local municipal office for details.

■ Besides the national curriculum cost support of the Tuition Support Fund, there may be also independent curriculum cost support systems offered by each prefecture. The contact information for each prefecture's office is listed on the Ministry of Education website below.

Public school: http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/shotou/mushouka/1292209.htm

Private school: http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/shotou/mushouka/1292214.htm

Contact information:
 Office for Financial Support in Upper Secondary Education, Elementary and Secondary Education Bureau, MEXT Hotline (Weekdays 10AM-5PM)
 Tel: 03-7734-3176