

Free high school tuition system will change!

What will change?

- ◆ For both private and public high schools, **tuition fees will no longer be required regardless of household income or number of children.**
- ◆ Tuition fees will also no longer be required for students who attend high schools outside the prefecture. (Eligible schools will be decided in the future.)

When will it change?

- ◆ **The timing varies depending on the year a JHS student enters high school.**
 - Enrollment in FY 2024 (currently in 3rd grade of JHS): Free from the 2nd year of high school (FY 2025)
(Tuition fees may be partially charged for 2025 academic year.)
 - Enrollment in FY 2025 (currently in 2nd grade of JHS): Free from the 2nd year of high school (FY 2026)
 - Enrollment in FY 2026 (currently in 1st grade of JHS): Free from the 1st year of high school (FY 2026)

Check tuition fees by grade and school type ↓

Current 3rd- and 2nd-year junior high school students				1st year of high school	2nd year of high school	3rd year of high school	
(1) Choice of school Private? Public? * 1	(1) Private (2) Less than JPY 5.9 million	Number of children	3 or more	Free	Free	Free	
			2	Free	Free	Free	
			1	JPY 100,000	Free	Free	
	(2) Annual household income (approximate)	(1) Private (2) JPY 8–9.1 million	Number of children	3 or more	JPY 200,000	Free	Free
				2	JPY 100,000 * 2	Free * 3	Free
				1	JPY 300,000 * 2	Free * 3	Free
				maximum JPY 480,000 * 2	Free * 3	Free	
	(1) Private (2) JPY 9.1 million or more	(1) Public (2) Less than JPY 9.1 million	(1) Public (2) JPY 9.1 million or more	Full tuition fee	Free * 3	Free	
				Free	Free	Free	
				JPY 118,800	Free	Free	

- * 1 This refers to students who enter private high schools (full-time) or prefectural high schools (full-time) in Osaka Prefecture. Private high schools must be designated by Osaka Prefecture as schools that promote school attendance support.
- * 2 For schools with tuition fees exceeding 600,000 yen, guardians will be charged "tuition fee minus 600,000 yen" in addition to the indicated amounts.
For example, if tuition fees are 650,000 yen, 50,000 yen will be borne by guardians (650,000 yen - 600,000 yen = 50,000 yen).
- * 3 Current 3rd-year junior high school students: For schools with tuition fees exceeding 630,000 yen, guardians will be charged "tuition fee minus 630,000 yen".
For example, if the tuition fees are 650,000 yen, 20,000 yen will be borne by guardians (650,000 yen - 630,000 yen = 20,000 yen).
Current 2nd-year junior high school students: No tuition fees required

Current 1st-year junior high school students or younger

For both private and public high schools, tuition will be fully free from the first year of high school.

(The new system will be officially decided after the regular meeting of the Osaka Prefectural Assembly in February 2024.)

Q&As for Free High School Tuition



Will the fees other than the tuition be also free?

No. Admission fees, uniform fees, school trip reserve funds, etc., are not covered by the free admission program. If you are having trouble raising funds at the time of admission, you can reserve for an interest-free loan system offered by Osakafu Ikueikai (Osaka Prefectural Scholarship Foundation). (Application deadline: early October 2023)



If everyone gets free tuition regardless of household income, are there any procedures that need to be taken?

Application is required for both the national school attendance subsidy and Osaka Prefecture's tuition support system for both private and public schools. Applications should be made through the high school after enrollment, so there is no need to complete any procedures before enrollment.



How do I know whether the private high school I am entering is a school that promotes school attendance support and is eligible for free tuition?

The Osaka Prefectural Government website lists the schools that promote school attendance support for the academic year 2023. Eligible schools for 2024 will be disclosed in December 2023.



I am thinking of going to a private or national/public high school in another prefecture. When can I get information on whether these schools are eligible for free tuition?

Target schools in other prefectures will be announced on the Osaka Prefecture website in December 2023.



Will correspondence high schools also be tuition free?


Similarly to full-time schools, correspondence high schools in Osaka Prefecture (limited to schools that promote school attendance support) will also gradually remove income restrictions.



For more information, please contact us here

(Matters related to private high schools etc.)

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