

**FRESNO BETSUIN BUDDHIST TEMPLE
HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP ~ 2024**

INFORMATION SHEET

Dear Applicant,

The Fresno Betsuin Buddhist Temple scholarships are available to graduating seniors from high school whose parents are members of the Fresno Betsuin, a member church of the Fresno Betsuin, or a member of any church within the Central California District Council of the Buddhist Churches of America (CCDC-BCA).

The member churches of the Fresno Betsuin: Bowles, Clovis, Del Rey, Fresno City, Lone Star, Kingsburg, Madera, North Fresno, Sanger, Selma, and West Fresno.

The member churches or districts of the Central California District Council of the Buddhist Churches of America are: Fresno Betsuin, Fowler, Parlier, Reedley, Dinuba, Hanford and Visalia.

The scholarships will be offered for the school term beginning in the same year as your high school graduation. Although there are many scholarships, only one will be awarded to a recipient, unless circumstances dictate that more than one can be awarded.

Grades are just one factor in the determination of a recipient. There are other elements of a student's effort that are considered, such as church activities, thus, it is strongly encouraged that a student apply for a scholarship.

The following should be completed and submitted. Please submit all materials in one envelope.
(Please check off items as completed to ensure that all forms are included.)

- _____ 1. Application Form – please type or print legibly
- _____ 2. Activities and Award Form
- _____ 3. Two (2) letters of recommendation. Form is included.
- _____ 4. Transcript of your sophomore, junior and senior years.
- _____ 5. A short essay about your experience growing up in a Jodo Shinshu environment.
Relate how Buddhism has influenced and/or shaped your life choices.
(Please include a title. Limited to two-page, double spaced, & typed.)

ALL PACKETS (INCLUSIVE OF ALL ITEMS ABOVE) MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE FRESNO BETSUIN OFFICE BY **5:00PM, MARCH 15, 2024**. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Mail packet to: High School Scholarships
c/o Fresno Betsuin Buddhist Temple
2690 E. Alluvial Ave.
Fresno, CA 93720

AWARD RECIPIENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED IN MAY 2024.
AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED DURING THE FRESNO BUDDHIST TEMPLE'S MONTHLY SERVICE ON SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2024.

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APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT NAME: _____
LAST NAME FIRST MIDDLE

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

GRADE POINT AVERAGE ____ (LAST 3 YEARS) (ENCLOSE 3-YEARS TRANSCRIPTS)

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATED FROM _____

CHURCH AFFILIATION _____
(e.g. Fresno Betsuin)

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1. PARENTS' NAME _____

2. PARENTS' TEMPLE AFFILIATION _____

3. ARE YOUR PARENTS CURRENTLY PAID MEMBERS OF THE TEMPLE? YES _____ NO _____

4. ARE YOUR PARENTS CURRENTLY PAID MEMBERS OF THE FRESNO BETSUIN? YES _____ NO _____

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS APPLY ONLY TO THE FUJINKAI (WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION) SCHOLARSHIP.
PLEASE ANSWER IF APPLICABLE.

a. IS YOUR MOTHER CURRENTLY A PAID MEMBER OF THE FRESNO FUJINKAI? YES _____ NO _____

b. IS YOUR GRANDMOTHER CURRENTLY A PAID MEMBER OF THE FRESNO FUJINKAI? YES _____ NO _____

c. IS YOUR MOTHER CURRENTLY A PAID MEMBER OF A FUJINKAI OTHER THAN FRESNO? YES _____ NO _____

d. IS YOUR MOTHER CURRENTLY A PAID MEMBER OF THE CC FUJINKAI FEDERATION? YES _____ NO _____

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE

DATE

PARENT'S SIGNATURE

**** DID YOU REMEMBER TO WRITE YOUR ESSAY?**

Write about your experience growing up in a Jodo Shinshu environment.
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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

APPLICANT NAME: _____

YOUR NAME: _____

IN WHAT CAPACITY HAVE YOU KNOWN THE APPLICANT _____

HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN THE APPLICANT? _____

Rate the following, one to ten, with ten being the highest.

1. Promise of achievement	
2. Imagination and originality	
3. Academic interest and motivation	
4. Industry	
5. Personality	
6. Leadership	
7. Personal appearance	
8. Integrity	

REMARKS: (If necessary, use additional sheet or own Letter of Recommendation)

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