Reiwa 8 Financial Year Izumo City Kōno Reiichi Educational Scholarship Loan Program Recruitment Information

Mission of the Izumo City Kōno Reiichi Educational Scholarship Loan Program

Based on the endowment from the late Mr. Kōno Reiichi, whose hometown is Hiebara-chō in Izumo City, this program lends financial aid to people calling Izumo their hometown, who have the desire to learn but are experiencing financial hardship that makes it difficult to continue or sustain their studies. By doing so, we strive to fulfill our mission of creating equal opportunities for education and cultivating a rich sense of creativity in our future workforce.

1. Applicant requirements

Any person enrolled at or planning to advance to a university, specialized training college, or miscellaneous school (training courses, such as nursing) as stipulated by the School Education Act, who also meets all of the following requirements:

- (1) Academically high-achieving
- (2) Is having difficulty with their studies due to financial reasons
- (3) The applicant or their guardian(s) have held a residential address within Izumo City for at least 3 consecutive years at the time of application.
 - * Based on the wishes of the donor, students of a national or public university, children of traffic accident victims, single-parent households, and students of a training course such as nursing have priority.

2. Amount of financial aid

(1) University, Specialized training college (postsecondary course)
Monthly sum 60,000 yen (Yearly sum 720,000 yen)

(2) Specialized training college / Miscellaneous school (upper secondary course)

Monthly sum 20,000 yen (Yearly sum 240,000 yen)

3. Award period

Those who are enrolled as a new or current student as of April 2026 can receive funding until the earliest possible month of completion of studies.

4. Documents to be submitted

- (1) Kōno Reiichi Educational Scholarship Loan Application (information as of October 1, 2025)
- (2) Income Certificate FY 2025 (income of 2024) for all household members (excluding students)
 - *Submitting the certificate is necessary even for those with no income. Submitting the certificate(s) of the applicant's guardian(s) is necessary even if households are separate.
- (3) Certificate of Residence (jūminhyō) for all household members
- (4) Academic Transcript (FY 2024) %If you were not enrolled at a school in 2024, please submit your latest academic transcript.

5. Application period

October 1 (Wed) – 31 (Fri), 2025

XIf applying by mail, applications postmarked Oct 31 (Fri) are accepted.

- 6. Number of awards
 - 2 person (planned)
- 7. Selection and announcement of recipient
- (1) After the application period ends, a selection committee will convene to choose the recipients.
- (2) Selection results will be sent by letter during early-to-mid December.
 - * Decisions made at this stage are still provisional (e.g. not finalized)
- 8. Proceedings to be done after selection of recipient

Please submit the following documents in April 2026.

- (1) Proof of Enrollment (vocational schools: must specify the type of course, specialized or advanced)
 - *Acquire the certificate from the school you are enrolled at no earlier than April 1, 2026.
- (2) Written Pledge (co-signed by the recipient and two joint guarantors)
 - XYou will need 2 guarantors.
 - ① Guardian (1 person)
 - ② A person of independent means, at least 20 years of age (1 person)

**Official procedures for the scholarship loan will be done after the submission of these documents.

9. Distribution of scholarship funds

The funds will be transferred to the bank account designated by the recipient.

1st payment (6 months' share), end of April (planned)

2nd payment (6 months' share), during November

10. Repayment of scholarship funds

- (1) Repayment of funds will start from 1 year after graduation.
- (2) No interest is accumulated on repayments (interest-free loan)
- (3) Payments are to be made in monthly or quarterly installments.
- (4) Please repay all funds within the time frame indicated below:

[Within a time frame equal to number of award months $\times 5$]

*It may be possible to postpone payment for reasons of continuing studies, etc.

Example: Loan for 4 Years of Uni. (48 months)

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Amount	60,000 yen x 48 months = 2,880,000 yen	
Repayment Plans	Monthly	12,000 yen x 240 times
	Quarterly	36,000 yen x 80 times

1 1. Multiple scholarships

In principle, it is possible to receive the Izumo City Kōno Reiichi Educational Scholarship Loan simultaneously with other scholarships or grants. However, receiving simultaneous awards may be prohibited by other scholarships or grants. Make sure you confirm the terms and conditions before accepting the scholarship.

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