



# San Jose CY S 2024 Scholarship Instructions and Application Form

The San Jose Community Youth Services (CY S) Scholarship Fund was established to:

- Encourage and reward community involvement and leadership among CY S youth participants;
- Recognize role models with the potential to inspire achievement among current CY S youth; and
- Enhance the competitiveness of CY S families for college entrance through financial assistance.

CY S expects to award one or more scholarships of US\$500 or more, depending on the competitiveness of applications and funds available, to applicants who demonstrate academic achievement, community service, leadership, and effective communication skills.

Application forms will be available on the CY S website ([www.sanjosecys.org](http://www.sanjosecys.org)). **All applications can be submitted electronically to [education@sanjosecys.org](mailto:education@sanjosecys.org) by Sunday, March 31st, 2024.**

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Applicants must be current or former CY S participants graduating high school in 2024. Note that CY S participation is open to persons of any ethnic background, and all who meet eligibility criteria are welcome to apply.
2. Applicants must be planning to attend full-time at a college, university, trade school, business school, or other institution of higher learning within the United States in the fall of 2024.  
\*If selected, the scholarship money will be distributed after we receive your verification of enrollment in the Fall of 2024.
3. All applications must be complete and timely in order to be considered.
4. All students are welcome to apply, however any family members of the applicant may not serve on the committee to make decisions on the recipients.

Award decisions will be made by a committee appointed by the CY S Board of Directors. It is anticipated that award recipients will be notified by mid-April 2024. There will be a presentation of awards during the **CY S Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, May 12th**. Further information will be provided to those selected to receive the scholarship.



## San Jose CYS 2024 Scholarship Application

Please review eligibility requirements before completing the application. You may attach additional sheets as needed to provide the requested information.

Name (Last, First, Middle)

E-mail Address

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Permanent Address (Street/City/State/Zip)

Phone number

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### A. ACADEMIC PLANS AND HISTORY

Institution(s) applied for Fall 2024

Status

Intended Major

(Please list additional institutions on a separate page as needed.)

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Overall GPA (unweighted, based on 4.0 scale)

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High school(s) attended (if more than one, begin with current institution):

Name, City, and State

Dates Attended

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**\*Please request an official transcript including senior year fall semester grades to be submitted electronically to [education@sanjosecys.org](mailto:education@sanjosecys.org) from your high school Registrar. Please attach an unofficial transcript with your application in the meantime while we wait for an official one from your school.**

**B. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

- a. School Activities and Work History – Please list all campus activities beginning in your ninth grade, including the year of activity and leadership positions held. Also list dates and job titles of all work experience.
- b. Community Involvement – Please list all community involvement beginning in your ninth grade, including Japanese cultural activities such as dance or martial arts.
- c. CYS Involvement – Please list years and involvement with San Jose CYS.

**C. PERSONAL STATEMENT** - Please comment on the role that a community organization such as San Jose CYS can play in a person’s development and the continuation of cultural values. **DO NOT EXCEED ONE PAGE** (single or double-spaced ok) and please use 12-point font size.

**D. RECOGNITIONS AND HARDSHIPS** – Please list any academic and extracurricular awards, as well as any hardships you would like the scholarship committee to consider. For awards, please indicate the year received and its purpose. For hardships, please provide a narrative and the impact it had on you personally. **DO NOT EXCEED ONE PAGE.**

**E. TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION** – Please submit TWO letters of recommendation from teachers, coaches, counselors, school administrators, employers, or community leaders. \*At least one of the two letters must be written by someone from your school who can speak to your academic achievements. Please request your recommender to email their letter directly to [education@sanjosecys.org](mailto:education@sanjosecys.org). These letters must also be received by March 31st.

**F. APPLICATION SUBMITTAL**

- a. Please submit your complete application with your unofficial transcript, and have your official transcript and letters of recommendation emailed directly to [education@sanjosecys.org](mailto:education@sanjosecys.org).
- b. Your application and all materials must be received by March 31st, 2024.
- c. Acknowledgement of receipt – All applications will be acknowledged via email upon receipt. Contact [yukari.kawano@sanjosecys.org](mailto:yukari.kawano@sanjosecys.org) should any concerns arise.

**G. CERTIFICATION**

I have read and fully understand the eligibility requirements and information requested for a San Jose CYS scholarship. I have completed the application honestly and completely to the best of my knowledge. I fully understand that any misrepresentation of information may revoke any rights to an award. I also understand that if I am nominated for an award, verification of enrollment is required before any monies can be disbursed. If for any reason I do not enroll at a post-secondary school, I will forfeit any rights to an award.

Signature of Applicant

Date

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