

Mayor's E-newsletter from the City of Okayama
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Grant-type scholarship of special offering

Hello Citizens, this is Mayor OMORI Masao.

We decided to expand the grant-type scholarship system for high school students, etc. and support households whose incomes have sharply gone down amid the corona related chaos as a special case.

This scholarship was newly established this fiscal year as a grant system with no school records requirement so that students, etc. will not have to give up enrolling and graduating for economic reasons.

We have already received applications from July to September and decided to grant 762 people. We will be scheduled to provide 60,000 yen a year (37,000 yen for a distance learning program) in November.

Under these circumstances, we have received many inquiries from those whose financial situations have suddenly changed due to the impact of COVID-19; "I lost my job and I am looking for a new one, but I am not sure if I can get one.", "I am uncertain about my future as my workplace has been temporarily closed for months." and "I went out of my own business". We realized to support these people.

Originally the city residence tax exempt households based on their last year's incomes last year are eligible for applying this scholarship. As a special case, however, we added those whose expected incomes this year are eligible for city residence tax exemption.

This special measure is applicable only for this fiscal year. We will be able to continue to support the target householders because they are expected to become tax-exempt next fiscal year.

Please visit the following website for more information.

<https://www.city.okayama.jp/kurashi/0000021677.html>