

2018 New Year's Greeting Card (*Nengajo*) Contest Rules:

Please carefully read the rules and regulations below.

- I. All applicants must be currently enrolled in a school within the Consulate General of Japan in San Francisco's jurisdiction. Please see this [link](#) to see if your school is eligible.
- II. One *nengajo* submission per student.
- III. The *nengajo* must be 4x6 inches (index card size).
- IV. This year's *eto* or zodiac sign, the dog, must be included in the design.
- V. All artwork must be original work, not taken from any *manga*, *anime*, a website, or other image or artwork protected by copyright.
- VI. On the back of each *nengajo*, please include applicant's:
 - a. Name (First Name, Last Name)
 - b. Grade
 - c. School Name

Please note: *Nengajo* will be displayed in the JICC gallery from January-February 2017. Students' First names, last initials, grades, and cities may be displayed next to their *nengajo*.

- VII. **Application Requirements**
 - a. Permission waiver form: one (1) per student, to be completed by parent/guardian
 - b. Submission form: one per class (Parents, instructors: Please note that the teacher/instructor will be the point of contact for classroom submissions. Only one submission form with instructor contact information will be required per class packet).
- VIII. **Application Deadline:** All submission forms, permission waiver forms, and *nengajo* must be submitted by the student's teacher **and must be physically received by Tuesday, January 16th.**

Please send all submissions to:

Japan Information and Cultural Center, Attn: Mariko Takei
Consulate General of Japan
275 Battery Street, Suite 2100
San Francisco, CA 94111

* Please contact Mariko Takei when you send out your submissions so we know to expect it:
(415) 780-6091 or email: mariko.takei@sr.mofa.go.jp

- IX. **Criteria for judgment:** Applicants will be separated by division (Elementary School Division, and Middle and High School Division). First, second, and third place winners in each division will be determined by Consulate staff based on content, originality, and presentation/design.
- X. **Awards:** Awardees (first, second, and third place for each division) will receive a certificate of recognition from the Consulate General of Japan in San Francisco.