

2020 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 K-12 school (or home-schooled) within the Consulate General of Japan in San Francisco's jurisdiction. Please see this [link](#) to see if your school is eligible.
- II. **Submission Requirements**
 - a. Only one card submission per student.
 - b. Cards must be 4x6 inches (index card size).
 - c. This year's *eto* or zodiac animal, the rat, must be included in the design.
 - d. All artwork must be original work and not taken from any *manga*, *anime*, a website, or other image or artwork protected by copyright.
 - e. If a digital work is created, a high quality full-color physical print in the specified size must be submitted.
- III. **On the back of each card, please include applicant's:**
 - a. **Name (First Name, Last Name)**
 - b. **Grade Level**
 - c. **School Name**

Please note: Submitted cards may be displayed in the JICC gallery from January-February 2020. Students' first names, last initials, and grades may be displayed next to their cards. Cards, students' first names, last initials, and grades may also be published to the Consulate's website and social media pages to promote this event.

- IV. **Application Requirements**
 - a. [Permission Form](#): one per student, to be completed by parent/guardian
 - b. [Submission Form](#): one per class. If a school submits more than one class, please include one Submission Form per class. (Parents, instructors: Please note that the teacher/instructor will be the point of contact for classroom submissions.)
- V. **Application Deadline:** All submission forms, permission waiver forms, and cards must be submitted by the student's teacher **and must be physically received by Thursday, 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 mail out your submissions so we know to expect it:
(415) 780-6091 or email: mariko.takei@sr.mofa.go.jp

- VI. **Criteria for Judgment:** Applicants will be separated by division (Elementary School Division, and Middle/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.
- VII. **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.