

# The Jim Onchi Memorial Judo Scholarship

## What is the Onchi Memorial Scholarship?

The Scholarship was created in memory of Sensei Jim Onchi and to continue his philosophy of building character in our youth both on and off the Judo mat. The Onchi Memorial Scholarship is to help a High School student who has aspiration to continue their education in a 2-year or 4 year College/University and also furthering their Judo education.

## How much is the Scholarship?

The Onchi Memorial Scholarship is a one-time award of \$500 to an individual.

## Application Requirements:

1. Hold the judo rank of Sankyu or higher
2. Started the application process to a 2 year or 4 year accredited college or University or has been accepted to a 2 year or 4 year accredited college.
3. Currently practicing Judo at least 2 days a week
4. Letter of recommendation from your Judo Sensei
5. Good Moral Character and Social Conduct
6. Have participated in the Jim Onchi Memorial Shia / Annual Obukan Judo Tournament while a High School Student
7. A member in good standing of one of the national judo governing bodies: USJF, USJA, USA Judo
8. A one page personal essay about yourself and what Judo has taught you both on and off the mat. Include what are your educational goals, personal goals and judo goals and how this scholarship will help you to meet those goals.

## What can the Scholarship be used for?

1. College/University Tuition
2. College/University Books
3. Travel to / from College/University
4. Other educational expenses while in College/University including the goal to further your study of Judo

## How will the award recipient be determined?

A committee that includes the Obukan Judo Dojo Board of Directors and Sensei's will review all applications that meet the above criteria. At which time based on the above criteria an award will be made once the applicant has been accepted into an accredited College/University 2 or 4 year program.

## When will the award be announced?

At the annual Sensei Jim Onchi Memorial Shiai in Portland, Oregon

## Application Deadline:

March 17, 2026 to be considered receiving the award at the next Sensei Jim Onchi Memorial Shiai.

Mail applications to:

Obukan Judo Dojo  
7333 NE Fremont St  
Portland, Oregon 97213

Or email to: [Obukanjudo@yahoo.com](mailto:Obukanjudo@yahoo.com)

**Jim Onchi Memorial  
Scholarship  
Application Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Initial

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Initial

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Citizen: \_\_\_yes\_\_\_no USJI, USJA, USJF membership #: \_\_\_\_\_

Judo Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in Judo: \_\_\_\_\_

Judo Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Judo Sensei: \_\_\_\_\_

Judo Club Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Judo Club Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name & Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ (on 4.0 scale) SAT/ACT Scores (if taken): \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Year graduated or will be graduating: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended College Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Honors Awarded

Summarize your high school experience (best moments, worst moments, accomplishments, favorite class, other information you'd like to share)

Judo honors and awards (tournament results, special awards, etc.)

List any hobbies or other activities you enjoy

[  ] Check here to confirm that all information you provided is accurate to the best of your knowledge.

[  ] Check here to confirm that you hereby grant the Obukan BOD and Sensei's permission to confirm all information provided in this application and on all submitted transcripts, letters of recommendation and other sources you have detailed.

One Page Personal Essay (see item 8 for content requirements):