Required Documents for Student Visa (Application without Certificate of Eligibility)

Visa Application Form (Sample)

One recent color photograph (45mm x 35mm, front-facing) must be attached thereto.

- Passport (valid for at least six months beyond your intended date of departure from Japan)
- Academic and Enrollment-Related Documents:
 - Certificate of Admission from a Japanese educational institution (university, vocational school, etc.), clearly stating the faculty, department, or program.
 - Additional Documents (depending on the type of study/institution), if you are a student at/of:
 - Research/Auditing: documents detailing research content, course registration, and hours.
 - Vocational/Miscellaneous Schools (excluding primary Japanese language): proof of Japanese language proficiency (e.g. JLPT N1/N2 certificate or completion certificate from a recognized Japanese language school with 6+ months of study and good attendance). OR, proof of 1+ year of education at a school under Japan's School Education Act.
 - Exclusive Japanese Language Institution: explanation of postcompletion plans.
 - Evening Graduate School: evidence that the school has a robust system for managing international student attendance and adherence to visa regulations.
 - High School: proof of 1+ year of Japanese language education OR acceptance under an official student exchange program.
 - Junior High School or Elementary School: documents from your guardian (explaining guardianship, financial standing, etc.), proof of full-time school staff for international students' support, and details of accommodation.
- Proof of Financial Capability:

If you are:

 Self-sponsored: bank statement in the applicant's name (foreign currency acceptable), or scholarship certificates. Supporting documents (e.g. tax certificates, employment certificates) may be requested to show the source of funds.

- Sponsored from Home Country: financial support statement from the sponsor, along with their bank statement. Documents clarifying the sponsor's occupation and income may also be required. Supporting documents (tax/employment certificates) for the sponsor's financial background may be requested.
- Sponsored by Resident in Japan: financial support statement from the sponsor, accompanied by their recent tax/income certificates OR a bank statement.

[NOTE] The documents must indicate all transactions within the last three months from the application date, to prove that you have sufficient funds available.

In addition,

For a Zambian Applicant:

Photo identification issued by the Zambian authorities
(e.g. your original National Registration Card or Driver's License)

For a non-Zambian Applicant:

Work Permit or Residence Permit issued by the Zambian authorities
This must remain valid for at least six months from your intended date of departure for Japan.