



# Operation Diploma

Attention: Veterans and Japanese-American Citizens

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**Did you miss graduating from high school due to military service in World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, or internment in a World War II relocation camp?**

If so, you may be eligible to receive a high school diploma.

Operation Diploma, a Fresno County Superintendent of Schools program, provides diplomas to those in our county whose high school education was interrupted due to wartime circumstances.

## QUALIFICATIONS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Served in the U.S. Armed Forces in World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War with honorable discharge; **or**,
- ✓ Interned in a Japanese-American relocation camp during World War II; **and**,
- ✓ Currently reside in Fresno County and attended an eligible high school within Fresno County. A list of active high schools during 1937-1975 may be found here: <https://bit.ly/operationdiplomahs>

In addition, if you have a qualifying family member who is now deceased, a person representing the family may apply for posthumous recognition.

There is no charge to participate.

**Completed application forms and supporting documentation must be received no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, September 27, 2024.**

**Additional information will be provided once the application is received and qualified through Veteran's Services.**

For additional information, contact:

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# Operation Diploma Application Form

**Return completed form by Friday, September 27, 2024**

<b>First and Last Name</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	<b>Email Address</b>
<b>Home Address</b>	<b>City and Zip Code</b>
<b>Branch of Service</b>	<b>Highest Rank or Rating Held</b>

**Please check appropriate box(es):**

<input type="checkbox"/> WWII Veteran	<input type="checkbox"/> Korean War Veteran	<input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam War Veteran	<input type="checkbox"/> Japanese-American Citizen
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**When did you attend high school?**

<input type="checkbox"/> 1937-1940	<input type="checkbox"/> 1946-1950	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (list dates)
<input type="checkbox"/> Have received a GED		<input type="checkbox"/> Did not receive a high school diploma

**Dates served in the U.S. Armed Forces:**

<input type="checkbox"/> December 7, 1941 - December 31, 1946	<input type="checkbox"/> June 27, 1950 - January 31, 1955	<input type="checkbox"/> August 5, 1964*- May 7, 1975 <small>*or February 28, 1961 for veterans who served in country before August 5, 1964</small>
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Name of high school enrolled in prior to military service:

City and state of high school:

**Were you interned in a relocation camp during the period of September 16, 1940 and December 31, 1946?**

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes*	<input type="checkbox"/> No	*If yes, name and location of camp:
Name of high school enrolled in prior to internment:		
City and state of high school:		

**Is this diploma being awarded posthumously?**

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes*	<input type="checkbox"/> No	*If yes, date and place of death:
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**Veterans – Please submit the following with completed application form:**

Verification of military service and discharge papers (copy of DD214). For assistance in obtaining a copy of the necessary documentation, please contact Kyle Pennington, Fresno County Service Officer, at 559-250-3140 or: Fresno County Veteran Service Office  
1320 E. Shaw Ave.  
Fresno, CA 93710

**Japanese-American Citizens – Please submit the following with the completed application form:**

Evidence of internment in a relocation camp during the period specified. For assistance please contact, Deborah Ikeda, at [dikedatruster@gmail.com](mailto:dikedatruster@gmail.com).

**Name of person applying for this award if other than the Veteran or Japanese-American Citizen to be recognized:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Relationship</b>
<b>Phone Number</b>	<b>Email Address</b>

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