



January 27, 2022

Dear the Admission Board:

My name is Katsuyuki Nishikawa. I have served as the principal of Nishiyamato Academy of California Saturday School for the twenty years. Our Saturday school program is based on the curriculum of the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology. Our 350 students, K-9, are enrolled in local primary and secondary day schools in the Los Angeles metropolitan area including Torrance.

Ann Akamatsu has been one of our students this school year. She is a bright, friendly student, I feel that Ann would be an excellent addition to your school.

As Saturday school students, it is a demanding task to continue to study the Japanese curriculum, as well as attending weekday school. Ann always challenged herself seriously, achieving perfect scores on all her Japanese Alphabet quizzes. Her superior written and verbal skills in Japanese have far surpassed any student of her age.

I would like to share some of her teacher's written comments about her.

1st Grade homeroom teacher, Ms. Kaoru Kawamoto:

A very polite student with a highly organized personality. She is diligent and mature attitude for her age. By looking at her quiz scores and grades, it is obvious that she is hard working even at home (homework, reading assignments, etc.)."

I am confident Ann will bring much to her next school, both in and out of the classroom, and strongly recommend her for consideration. If you have any questions, please contact me at (310) 325-7040 or at [katsuyuki@nacus.org](mailto:katsuyuki@nacus.org).

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Katsuyuki Nishikawa', written in a cursive style.

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