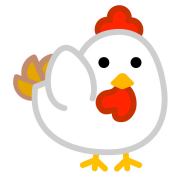


**OFFICIAL 2017 AATJ NENGAJO CONTEST RULES**  
**YEAR OF THE ROOSTER**



**Eligibility:**

- The teacher must be an AATJ member for the January 2016 - December 2016 membership year.

**Elementary, Middle, High School Level:**

Only 2 cards per category are allowed for **each level at each school** at which you teach (if you teach at more than 1 school and/or level, you may enter 2 per category for each school/level– with a limit of 8 per school/level. If there are more than one AATJ member at your school, each teacher can submit up to 8 cards.).

**College/University Level:**

Only 1 card by each entrant is allowed. Students of Japanese at the college/university level will be responsible for entering their own cards for the contest.

\*A college/university student entrant must have a teacher who is an AATJ member in order to enter the contest.

<u>COMPETITION LEVELS:</u>	<u>COMPETITION CATEGORIES</u>
Elementary (K-5)	Artistic
Middle (6-8)	Comical
High (9-12)	Original
College/University Level	Computer Generated

**Requirements for ALL submissions:** (Cards that do not follow these instructions will be disqualified.)

- Each card must have a **label** on the back (Typewritten preferable. Write information legibly. See page 3).
- Cards must be **4 X 6 white unlined index cards**.
- The design theme must focus on the upcoming **2017 Year of the Rooster**.
- Designs for the Artistic, Comical, and Original must be **ORIGINAL** and **hand-drawn**
- Designs for Computer Generated Category may include personal photos and **original art** created on a computer.
- Designs must be in good taste or praiseworthy across international cultures and societies.
- A Nengajo application form must be completed (see following page).
- All kanji and hiragana/katakana must be written in **pen**.
- The teacher or college/university student must enclose **one SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED 9X12 envelope** with the submission.



If you have any questions, please e-mail Kazumi Yamashita-Iverson at: [kyamashita@waterbury.k12.ct.us](mailto:kyamashita@waterbury.k12.ct.us)

**Mandatory Elements based on level:**

Elementary School Rules	College, High School and Middle School Rules
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student's name must be written vertically on left-hand side of card in <u>katakana</u> (unless name is of Japanese origin – teacher-assigned Japanese names are not allowed)</li> <li>The design must include <b>“2017” or “二〇一七”</b></li> <li>The design must include <b>one</b> of the following: 元旦, 一日, あけましておめでとう, 酉, <u>or</u> とり</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Student's name must be written vertically on left-hand side of card in <u>katakana</u> (unless name is of Japanese origin – teacher-assigned Japanese names are not allowed)</li> <li>The year <b>“2017” or “二〇一七”</b></li> <li>Either GANTAN (元旦) or TSUITACHI (一日) written in kanji</li> <li>Kanji for rooster 酉</li> </ul>

**Send submissions postmarked on or before Dec. 27, 2016 to:**

Kazumi Yamashita-Iverson  
110 Parkwood Ave.  
Waterbury, CT 06708

Year in Kanji or number

Student's Name  
Written vertically



一日 or 元旦  
(or あけましておめでとう for ES)

Animal in Kanji  
(Must for MS, HS and College)

## 2017 AATJ Nengajo Contest Application Form and Checklist

Teacher's Name : \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Principal's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**AATJ Affiliate (please check one):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> AzATJ (Arizona Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> AFTJ (Assn. of Florida Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> AITJ (Assn. of Indiana Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> AKATJ (Alaska Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> ATJO (Assn. of Teachers of Japanese in Oregon)<br><input type="checkbox"/> CAJLT (California Assn. of Japanese Language Teachers)<br><input type="checkbox"/> CJLEA (Colorado Japanese Language Educators Assn.)<br><input type="checkbox"/> GATJ (Georgia Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> HATJ (Hawaii Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> IMAJLT (Intermountain Assn. of Japanese Lang. Teachers)<br><input type="checkbox"/> IATJ (IL Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> JLTA Guam<br><input type="checkbox"/> JTAM (Japanese Teachers Assn. of Michigan)<br><input type="checkbox"/> JTAT (Japanese Teachers Assn. of Texas) | <input type="checkbox"/> KAJLT (Kentucky Association of Japanese Language Teachers)<br><input type="checkbox"/> LATJ (Louisiana Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> MATJ (Missouri Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> MAATJ (Mid-Atlantic Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> MCTJ (Minnesota Council of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> NCATJ (North Carolina Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> NCJTA (Northern California Japanese Teachers Association)<br><input type="checkbox"/> NECTJ (Northeast Council of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> NJATJ (New Jersey Association of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> OATJ (Ohio Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> SCATJ (South Central Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> SNJTA (Southern Nevada Japanese Teachers Association)<br><input type="checkbox"/> WATJ (Washington Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> WiATJ (Wisconsin Assn. of Teachers of Japanese)<br><input type="checkbox"/> INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP |
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<b>LEVEL</b> <i>(Circle One)</i>	Elementary(K-5)	MS (6-8)	HS (9-12)	College
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Place a check mark in the correct column for each card: A=Artistic, C=Comical, O=Original, CG = Computer Graphic  
**Only 2 entries per category**

Student Name	Grade	A	C	O	CG

**Final Checklist: IF THESE THINGS ARE NOT INCLUDED, YOUR CARDS MAY BE DISQUALIFIED.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher is a member of AATJ for 2016.
- \_\_\_\_\_ All cards adhere to the rules for the corresponding level (see previous page).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cards are created on a white unlined 4 X 6 inch index card.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cards are of an original design, not taken from a *manga*, an *anime*, a website, or other image which is copyright-protected
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cards are in good taste or praiseworthy across international cultures and societies without potentially making any specific viewer of the card uncomfortable or causing question as to the tastefulness.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A label with the required information is affixed to the back of your card (see the following page).
- \_\_\_\_\_ **A stamped self-addressed 9x12 envelope for returning** Nengajo and certificates is included.
- \_\_\_\_\_ This Application Form is included.

**ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2016.**

**Teacher Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student grade** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Category (check)**  
Comical Artistic Original CG

**Teacher Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student grade** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Category (check)**  
Comical Artistic Original CG

**Teacher Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student grade** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Category (check)**  
Comical Artistic Original CG

**Teacher Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student grade** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Category (check)**  
Comical Artistic Original CG

**Teacher Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student grade** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Category (check)**  
Comical Artistic Original CG

**Teacher Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student grade** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Category (check)**  
Comical Artistic Original CG

**\*\*University/College Level Label**

**Professor/Teacher Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**School Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Category (check)**  
Comical Artistic Original CG