



# HORIZON INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME



“ Everyone **Counts** Everyone **Contributes** Everyone **Succeeds** ”



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# INTRODUCTION

## A Programme Designed to Recognise, Nurture and Reward Excellence

Horizon International School is proud to re-introduce the scholarship programme. We recognise students with exceptional ability or talent within the fields of Academics, Sports and Creative and Performing Art. We currently have nine internal Scholars and this year we would like to welcome applications from external candidates only.

The Scholarship categories on offer for the academic year 2023-2024 are within the Academic, Sport and Creative + Performing Arts.

**HIS welcomes applications from candidates starting a new Key Stage who currently study in:**

Year 6 moving into Year 7 | Year 9 moving into Year 10 | Year 11 moving into Year 12

## Our scholarships provide successful applicants with three significant benefits:

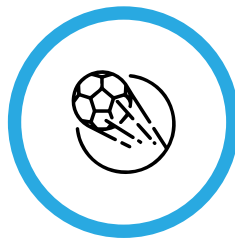
<b>Public recognition of a student's exceptional ability or talent</b>	<b>Educational experiences that stretch, challenge and support talent</b>	<b>Concession on school tuition</b>
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## Our scholarships are granted to applicants who stand out in one of the following areas:



### | Academics

Academic Scholarships reward exceptional ability and encourage applications from students whose excellence will raise overall standards.



### | Sports

Sports Scholarships reward students with proven athletic ability or potential to compete at a high level, such as regional, national and international circuits.



### | Creative & Performing Arts

Creative and Performing Arts Scholarships reward performers and artists with proven excellence in this field. Students should be working at a level that places them in the top percentile of their class.

All students who are granted scholarships are expected to lead by example and serve as a role model to their peer group.

Scholars will be given regular opportunities for prominence and leadership within their given specialism. Academic scholars will be expected to maintain high standards of performance across the curriculum.

## DESCRIPTION



### Conditions for Scholarship Awards

Awards are granted by a Scholarship Committee which is chaired by the Principal and which further comprises a member of the Leadership Team and an academic Head of Department. The recommendations of the Scholarship Committee will be submitted to Cognita for approval.

Awards will be reviewed at the end of each Key Stage for a scholar's continued outstanding performance, good disciplinary record and overall positive attitude to school, in addition to the school's financial performance. Scholarship renewal will be confirmed to students in writing by the end of Term 3 for the following academic year. By and large, scholars would be expected to be in the top 10% nationally in their area of excellence.



### Academic Scholars

#### Academic scholarships are awarded on a range of criteria:

Full report from the candidate's present school. It is essential that this contains both local ranking ('top of the class') and national ranking ('top 5%'), school and national test or exam results (GCSE results if applicable).

Student interview with the Scholarship Committee.

Verbal and non-verbal reasoning test from the CAT4 if available.

Progress tests in English, Maths and Science, if applicable.

It is desirable, Scholars in Year 11 will choose to study A Level academic subjects.



### Sports Scholars

To be granted a sports scholarship, applicants should have developed significantly above-average sporting ability in one or more sports. Local or national representational honours are also taken into consideration. Golf is based on handicap.

If the course is available, it is desirable, Scholars in Year 10 choose GCSE PE as one of their options. In Year 12, if there are study options available in Post 16, Scholars would ideally choose to study a sports course and gain coaching qualifications.

All sports scholars should be contributing to their chosen sport or sports, through extra-curricular opportunities both within school and externally.



### Creative & Performing Arts Scholars

Music scholars should hold or be near to Grade 3 level (UK) or regional equivalent and have a proven record of membership in an orchestra/ensemble, and/or a proven performance record. Students who are skilled in composition should provide portfolio of work. Candidates must audition.

Performing Arts students in the areas of dance and drama should have graded examination results from LAMDA, Trinity or the equivalent. Candidates must audition.

Art students must produce a portfolio with a range of artwork.

From Year 10, Scholars should undertake GCSE in one or more of the Creative and Performing Arts subjects. In Year 12 scholars should study a Post 16 qualification within the Creative and Performing Arts field.

## FINANCIALS

External students wishing to join HIS who are entering into Key Stage 3, 4 and 5 in September 2023 are eligible to apply. Scholarships are granted on merit, and students are awarded up to 25% tuition fee reduction in annual tuition fees.

Scholarships are not necessarily limited to one academic year. They will be reviewed at the end of each Key Stage based on their progress and scholarship contributions. If required scholars and their parents will be invited to a review meeting. Some students on scholarships in Year 9 may be required to formally reapply for a scholarship as they transition into Year 10 and Key Stage 4. Students on scholarships in Year 11 may also need to formally reapply for a scholarship in Year 12 and Key Stage 5.

**Years 7 - 9**

**Years 10 - 11**

**Years 12 - 13**

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARD 25%**

**25% reduction in tuition fees**

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# HOW TO APPLY

If a student is achieving significantly ahead of his or her related age group and predominantly attaining above age related expectations, or has been recognized and won awards may be eligible to apply to the Horizon International School Scholarship Programme.

## Step 1

### To apply for a scholarship a student must

- Be an external candidate looking to join HIS
- Only apply for one Scholarship Field
- Be a Secondary KS3, 4 or 5 Student in Sept 2023
- Complete the application form in full.
- Submit a cover letter explaining why he/she should be considered for a scholarship (Student Written).
- Include his/her last two school reports.
- Include CAT4 test results if available. These can be requested from school.
- Include progress tests in English, Maths and Science (if applicable).
- Include GCSE assessment predictions or results (if applicable).
- Include proof of achievement in the selected scholarship area.
- Ensure the application form is submitted within the required time frame. Applications can be submitted via email to [scholarships@hisdubai.ae](mailto:scholarships@hisdubai.ae)

## Step 2

- All applications will be screened and processed by the Scholarship Committee. Students who are shortlisted will be invited to attend an interview with the Scholarship Committee.
- Applicants who are not selected for an interview will be informed via e-mail as soon as possible.

## Step 3

- The applicant will attend an interview with the Scholarship Committee. The school requests that at least one parent waits at the school while the interview is taking place for any additional queries.
- Applicants will be required to bring a portfolio with evidence of academic achievements if applying for the Academic Scholarship.
- Applicants applying for the Creative and Performing Art Scholarship will be required to bring a portfolio with evidence of achievements and prepare a 2 minute Performance in their area of excellence.

## Step 4

- The Scholarship Committee will decide on merit which students will be awarded scholarships in each area.
- The Principal will send recommendations for scholarships to the CEO of Cognita for final approval.
- The decision of the Scholarship Committee and CEO of Cognita is final and there is no process for appeal.

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

## Application

1. Only complete applications accompanied by the required supporting documents will be considered for the Horizon International School Scholarship Programme. Applications will not be considered if the required information and documents are incomplete or not submitted.
2. There is a limited number of scholarships available. Scholarships are awarded on merit. Horizon International School does not guarantee that a scholarship will be awarded. The school accepts no liability for expenses or damages an applicant may incur when applying to the Scholarship Programme.
3. Scholarships are subject to applicants meeting the entry criteria.
4. Applicants may apply for only one type of scholarship.
5. Applicants will be assessed according to the criteria specified for each scholarship field.
6. Successful applicants will be issued an Offer Letter outlining award details.
7. Applicants must respond in writing to the Offer Letter within the given time frame to accept the offered scholarship. If the offer is declined by the applicant, or not accepted within the given time frame, Horizon International School may withdraw the offer of scholarship and offer it to another candidate.
8. The terms of the scholarship as stated in the Offer Letter are non-negotiable and non-transferable.
9. Unsuccessful applicants will be notified by e-mail as soon as possible. The school reserves the right not to give individualised feedback regarding any decision made by the Scholarship Committee.
10. Applicants must apply within the scholarship application window.

## Fees

11. Scholarships cannot be combined with any other discount or special offer.
12. Students awarded scholarships are eligible for a reduction on their annual tuition fees. The percentage and the academic year(s) are outlined in the Offer Letter.
13. If a student has outstanding tuition fees when the scholarship is offered, these fees must be settled in full prior to Horizon International School accepting the student into the Scholarship Programme.

## Continuation of Scholarship

14. The continuation of a scholarship is subject to the students:
  - Making considerable contributions within the scholarship field
  - Keeping an excellent attendance record
  - Meeting the school's behavioural expectations
  - Completing assigned work in the time frame provided
  - Representing the school when opportunities arise
  - Working towards continuous improvement and development within the scholarship field
  - Leading by example and acting as a role model to others
  - To actively seek opportunities and volunteer to support whole school events
15. If the student fails to comply with the above criteria or falls consistently below the expected levels required for the scholarship, Horizon International School has the right to withdraw the scholarship at the end of the academic term.

## Marketing & Promotions

16. Scholarship recipients agree to become ambassadors for Horizon International School, undertaking activities agreed as reasonable and acceptable by the student and the Principal.
17. Students and their parents will grant permission for Horizon International School to use the students' names and photographs in any publication, advertising/marketing materials and social media channels associated with Horizon International School.
18. Students may be required to represent Horizon International School in local, regional, national, or international competitions relevant to their area of scholarship. Photographs and videos of students at such events may be used for promotional purposes.
19. Horizon International School reserves the right to make changes or amendments to the Terms and Conditions and agrees to give the student and his/her parents four weeks' written notice of intention.
20. The Terms and Conditions of this policy shall come under jurisdiction of the laws of the United Arab Emirates.

# APPLICATION FORM

## Student's Details:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender:  Male  Female Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Current Grade / Year group: \_\_\_\_\_  
Current School: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Scholarship applying for: (Please tick or highlight)

Academic  Sports  Creative & Performing Arts

## Documents attached:

Cover Letter  Last 2 school reports  CAT4 results if available  
 GCSE results if applicable  Proof of achievements applicable to the selected scholarship area  Progress tests in English, Maths and Science (if applicable)

## Parents Details:

### Father

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Mother

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that all the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also certify that I have a valid, permanent Resident Visa for the United Arab Emirates. I understand that the decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final.

Please submit your application to Mr Tate at Horizon International School via email to [scholarships@hisdubai.ae](mailto:scholarships@hisdubai.ae)

## Students' Signature:

X

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Parents' Signature:

X

Date \_\_\_\_\_



# APPLICATION FORM

## Office use only

Date application received: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Required documents attached:  Yes  No

Application reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of review: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Progress to interview:  Yes  No

Notes/comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant successful:  Yes  No

Award concession % \_\_\_\_\_

Option 1, 2 or 3 \_\_\_\_\_

**Principal's Signature:**

x  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature on behalf of Cognita:**

x  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Get In Touch

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### Registration Enquiries

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