

5.20 SCHOLARSHIPS

Proposed scholarships are approved by the Board.

The Board reserves the right to offer additional scholarships in exceptional circumstances. For example if scholarship funding for one or more students comes from corporate or institutional donors.

The T.I.S. School Board shall offer a maximum of six 100% tuition-free scholarships to Uzbek nationals from local schools in TIS grades 10, 11 and 12. The criteria for these scholarships are based on the following factors:

- Financial Need
 - It is expected that the student would be unable to attend TIS if the 100% scholarship were not available.
 - It is expected that the student comes from a low socio-economic section of the local community.
- Merit
 - The student must demonstrate through school reports and TIS Scholarship tests that they are highly intelligent and able to adapt quickly to the academic program.
 - If the student is not proficient in English, the student's aptitude tests must signify that they would be able to reach proficiency quickly in order to undertake the IBDP with ease.
 - Students in the 99th percentile, relative to their Uzbek peers, are the expected cohort from which scholarship students would be selected.
- Return to Uzbekistan after University study
 - Whilst it is difficult to ensure that the student would return to Uzbekistan after their college studies, it should be noted to the applicant that there is an expectation that this would happen.

In addition, students awarded scholarships may qualify for one (1) fully sponsored sports/co-academic tournament trip and a second trip with up to no more than a 50% reduction of housing and transportation expenses.

PROCEDURE:

Students shall be selected for the Host Country Scholarship on a competitive basis. The best academic candidates will be chosen primarily in terms of:

- academic ability as defined by potential for success in the IB Diploma Programme
- attitude and personality
- extracurricular activities and interests
- potential for mutual benefit: to the school and to the student
- potential for university scholarships

Only those students who meet the criteria cited above will be offered a scholarship. Preference, however, will be given to those students who also are in some way connected to our community

Expected Standards

For students enrolled into Grade 10

- Grade 10 is considered a probationary year and, as such, the scholarship student must demonstrate through their effort, positive approach to school life, and academic potential, that they will be very successful in the Diploma programme. If over the course of the year, the students have not demonstrated this capacity, they will not be re-enrolled for grade 11.

For students enrolled into Grade 11

- Students entering at Grade 11 must demonstrate, in their first semester through their effort, positive approach to school life, and academic potential, that they will be successful in the Diploma programme.
- All scholarship students must maintain an average of 4 out of 7 points and not earn any grades below 3 in Standard Level subjects or 4 in CAS and Higher Level subjects.
- If a scholarship student's grades are below these criteria, the student shall be reminded by the Administration of the higher expectations of scholarship students, and be given until the end of that semester to improve the grades. If the student's grades do not improve, the student will be placed on Academic Probation, and a conference will occur attended by the scholarship student, the parents, the IB Coordinator, the Secondary Principal and the Director, warning them that, if the grades do not improve by the end of the following semester, the student shall lose the scholarship.

Scholarship students must also exhibit exemplary behavior:

- If a scholarship student receives a disciplinary, attitudinal, or academic referral, the student will be reminded by the Administration of the higher expectations of scholarship students.
- If a scholarship student receives a second disciplinary referral, there will be a conference attended by the student, the teacher, parents, the IB Coordinators, the Secondary Principal and the Director, warning them that a third referral will cause them to lose their scholarship and result in expulsion from TIS.

Amended by the Board, December 15, 2010