



2020 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

1. PREAMBLE

Thank you for your interest in pursuing a Scholarship Application to St Cyprian's High School. We are delighted at your interest in our school and look forward to meeting you during the process.

1.1 Introduction

Scholarship positions are limited and highly sought after at the school. Please consider the following carefully before applying. We welcome applications from suitable candidates who have their hearts set on coming to St Cyprian's School. Thus, St Cyprian's School must be your daughter's school of choice and it is your genuine intention to take up the offer, should your daughter be successful in her application.

1.2 Processes

We request that you please read the following information carefully, before deciding to submit an application for consideration. Scholarship applications that do not meet the requirements will not be considered. Should your daughter meet the requirements for scholarship application, but not be selected to go forward to the next level, please know that this means that the demand for scholarship was high and thus the selection processes stringent. We would still like to have her as a student at the school. No correspondence will be entered into at any stage of the process. The discretion of the school in this regard is non-negotiable.

2. GENERAL INFORMATION

Scholarships are awarded to select students who show an exceptional aptitude in the areas of Academics, Sport or in Music/Performing Arts.

2.1 Academic Scholarship:

Applicants will be required to submit evidence of exceptional academic talent (both at and beyond school level), as well as a record of involvement with co-curricular activities. A record of achievement in external examinations will be taken into consideration (where available). A minimum of 80% in English Home Language and Mathematics as well as a minimum of 80% as an overall Aggregate in the final Grade 6 report is required for the candidate to qualify to sit the Academic Scholarship Examination.

2.2 Sport Scholarship:

Applicants should provide evidence of beyond school achievements (i.e. regional, zonal, provincial representation or beyond) in at least two sport codes (refer to list on application form) that St Cyprian's School offers. Applicants will be required to show evidence of a strong academic record at the Grade 6 level.

2.3 Music/Performing Arts Scholarship:

Applicants are required to show evidence of talent and involvement in their particular areas of achievement. For a Music Scholarship, applicants must have reached a minimum of Grade 3 level in practical external examinations (e.g. ABRSM or Trinity). A record of achievement and other supporting documentation will need to be submitted with the application. Applicants will be required to show evidence of a strong academic record at the Grade 6 level.



3. APPLICATION PROCESSES

3.1 Scholarship Application Forms

An **Application for Scholarship Form** (Academic, Sport or Music/Performing Arts) must be completed and submitted by email to the school's Admissions Manager, (admissions@stcyprians.co.za) by the **closing date, 15 February 2019**.

External Scholarship candidates must ensure that the Admissions Office has also received their **Application for Admission Form** and the required supporting documents. These forms can be downloaded from the school website at www.stcyprians.co.za. Please note that no candidate will be considered for a scholarship unless they have already submitted the Application for Admission Form. **The closing date is also 15 February 2019.**

Should the requirements for scholarship as laid out in 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 not be met, the candidate will be disqualified for consideration for scholarship.

3.2 Letters of Reference and Supporting Documentation

All supporting documents must be submitted with the **Application for Scholarship Form**.

Should they not be included, the application will not be processed.

4. SELECTION PROCESSES

4.1 Level 1: School Visit or Attendance at Open Day

Scholarship applicants are required to have visited the school (by arrangement with the Admissions Manager, Charlotte Weinert), or attended the High School Information Morning & Open Day. This is to ensure that they are aware of the school's offer and its strategic vision in order to ascertain the "fit". Current Grade 7 students at St Cyprian's School will have a special internal Open Day organised for them, prior to the public Grade 8 Open Day. However, their parents are encouraged to attend the public Open Day and Information Morning on Friday, 15 February 2019.

4.2 Level 2: Entrance Assessments

Before being considered for a scholarship, a student will need to have met the acceptance requirements for a Grade 8 student at the High School. This will require her to have sat for and achieved within the top percentile levels of the Grade 8 Entrance Assessments. Entrance Assessments are written on 15 February 2019.

4.3 Level 3: Scholarship Examination and Audition

Academic Scholarship candidates are required to sit the Academic Scholarship Examination, which is scheduled for Monday afternoon, 18 February 2018. Please note the minimum final Grade 6 results required to submit an Academic Scholarship application. These are a minimum of 80% for English Home Language and Mathematics and an Aggregate of over 80%.

A short list of Music or Performing Arts Scholarship candidates will be selected and invited to an audition/theory test on Tuesday 19 February 2019. Details are listed on the application form.

After the scholarship examinations and auditions have been completed, a shortlist will be drawn up of the preferred candidates to progress to the next level of selection. Should a candidate be unsuccessful at this stage, her parents will be informed via e-mail.

4.4 Level 4: Interviews

Only shortlisted scholarship candidates will be called to an interview with the Principal and the relevant Section Head.

4.5 Level 5: Offer of Scholarship

A scholarship offer will be made to the top candidates in each area. The successful candidate will have 24 hours within which to accept the scholarship in writing. Should a written acceptance not be received within this timeframe, the school may offer the scholarship to the next candidate on the short list. St Cyprian's School will NOT under any circumstances hold a scholarship offer for a student waiting to see if a scholarship offer from another school might be pending. Scholarships are only offered to students who regard St Cyprian's School as their school of first choice, and who have already committed to attending the school.

5. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS

- 5.1 Scholarships provide a disbursement on academic tuition fees. The full enrolment fee, uniforms, books, stationery, electronic devices, study requirements, “extras” and levies are excluded from the disbursement.
- 5.2 In the case of a Music Scholarship, the parent remains liable for the full cost of Instrument Tuition. The scholarship provides a disbursement on school fees and not music fees.

6. CONDITIONS OF SCHOLARSHIP

6.1 Annual Renewal

The intention of the school is to provide a scholarship for the full 5 years of High School; however, it is important to note that scholarships are reviewed annually, and there is no automatic renewal of a scholarship. Should a student not continue to meet the requirements for scholarship, there is a good chance that the scholarship will NOT be renewed, or it will be reassigned.

6.2 Conduct and Attitude

Exemplary conduct and an attitude of striving for excellence are minimum expectations for scholarship recipients. Should a scholarship student cease to be a role model or should she fall foul of the Code of Conduct, the scholarship will be withdrawn with immediate effect, at the sole discretion of the school.

6.3 Cancellation of Scholarship

Should the scholarship recipient leave the school before the 5 years of High School have been completed, for any reason not mutually agreed upon, **the parent/guardian will be liable to repay the school the value of the scholarship** for the time that the student was at the school.

6.4 Specific Requirements

Please note that there may be specific selection requirements in the Academic, Sport and Music/Performing Arts Application Forms that will need to be adhered to.

7. IN CONCLUSION

A scholarship to St Cyprian’s High School is a prestigious award. Many exceptional girls have enjoyed an excellent education as a result of the scholarships awarded to them, and in turn have added great value to the school. They have set the bar for selection very high, and so consideration for a scholarship is something to be proud of - even if ultimately a candidate is unsuccessful in her application. We look forward to getting to know all our scholarship applicants in time.

SJ Redelinghuys
Principal

