

Sixth Form Scholarship Information 2025

Sixth Form Scholarships are awarded in the following areas:

- Academic
- Art and Design
- Drama
- Music
- Photography
- Sport

Scholars are required to demonstrate significant levels of academic, creative, or sporting enthusiasm, achievement and potential. The award carries with it title and prestige, recognised by a scholars' tie or badge, and gives the holder access to our scholarship programme. There is no financial award nor remission of fees.

Heathfield Scholars receive a personalised mentorship program with a school-based mentor who supports them excel in their area of scholarship. They are introduced to experts and professionals from their fields of interest and enjoy access to meet and question visiting speakers. Scholars make significant contributions to the school in their area of scholarship and, with the support of their mentor, will develop their leadership skills and potential for lifelong learning.

Scholars are provided with off-site enrichment to universities, galleries, sporting events, theatre or musical performances. Entrance fees for external competitions are included in the scholarship program, along with funding for specialist software, equipment, or tuition relevant to the pupil's scholarship area.

Sixth Form Scholars are expected to make a committed contribution to the school's co-curricular activities in their scholarship discipline, and to act as ambassadors for the school.

Applying for scholarships

If you would like to be considered for a scholarship, please complete an application via the following link <u>Sixth Form External Applicant Scholarship Application</u>. Candidates may apply for a maximum of two scholarships and should provide a reference for each subject with their application.

The deadline for receipt of applications is **Friday 18th October 2024**.

Assessment and interviews for Sixth Form Scholarships will take place early in November 2024.

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Academic

Candidates, who are expected to have GCSE predictions of grades 7 and above are required to sit a scholarship paper of one hour. Applicants will be provided with a passage of writing in advance of the interview and invited to discuss this as part of an interview with the Deputy Head (Academic).



Art and Design

Candidates are required to present a portfolio which showcases examples of their work. The portfolio can be presented in any format but be A3 minimum with at least 10 examples of practical outcomes showing a range of processes. Candidates can present current coursework including sketchbooks and journals. Candidates should as much as possible show the research and influences and the thought process behind the final work, so sketches, studies, photos and some textual explanation is desirable. Should any of the outcomes be video based or animation, these should be brought to interview on a memory stick. The portfolio should be built up of original work and it is also expected that final pieces will be presented alongside any preparatory studies. Applicants are also encouraged to include examples of outside interests, such as gallery visits or extracurricular courses.

Candidates will be invited to undertake a drawing assessment and an image analysis activity. There will also be an interview with the Head of Art for candidates to share their portfolio and to discuss their interests and experiences of Art and Design. Successful applicants will be required to take Art A Level.

Drama

Candidates are required to prepare and perform a monologue of their own choosing of 2 minutes maximum. A review of no more than 500 words about a play or performance they have seen in the last year should also be submitted with the application. On application, students will also be sent an 'unseen' scene from a play and will be expected to prepare an outline of how they would stage the scene with regards to performance, directorial and design ideas in readiness to discuss with the Director or Drama.

There will be an interview with the Director of Drama and candidates will also participate in a workshop.

Music

Music/choral scholarships are awarded to outstanding musicians who play two instruments or sing and play one instrument (at least one to be at Grade V). Candidates are required to perform a sight-reading test and there will also be an interview with the Director of Music.

Photography

Candidates are required to submit a small portfolio of 4-6 photographs they have taken themselves and 1-2 photographs that they like by other photographers. These images should be printed on suitable photographic paper, approx. A4 in size and be of good quality (unpixellated). Candidates will be required to provide analytical comment that includes the use of some formal language with these images in an interview with the Head of Photography.

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Sport

Sixth Form Candidates are expected to demonstrate exceptional ability in one or more of the school's main sports (netball, lacrosse, swimming, athletics, tennis, and cricket) or outstanding ability in another sport. They will be assessed through a variety of physical fitness and endurance tests as well as a game-based activity to assess decision making, communication and teamwork. There will also be an interview with the Director of Sport.