

We are a learning community, passionate about providing an International Education, which inspires and encourages learning and intercultural understanding. We facilitate self-discovery and the development of unique interests, gifts and talents, whilst promoting service learning as a force for good in the world.

# SCHOLARSHIPS 2022-2023



SIS APPLICATION

New Parents

**Sotogrande**  
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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## Introduction

Sotogrande International School (SIS) believes that a socially diverse student population is a key component of an international and balanced education. Therefore, we are committed to providing financial assistance to students as a community benefit, and in order to provide access to SIS to a more diverse range of students.

SIS has a long history of financial assistance to students and their families. While the costs of running the school require that those who can pay full fees must do so, every year the school does try to provide a number of Scholarships to families.

The total number and value of Scholarships vary annually depending on:

- The financial position of the School.
- The number and quality of applicants.
- Prevailing financial climate.

Scholarships are funded from annual School funds, as the School does not have a sustainable Scholarship Fund nor does it enjoy any subsidies. A small number of awards may continue throughout the entire school career of a student upon successful submission of applications and continuing to satisfy all the criteria for an award.

Our Scholarships are merit-based awards of financial assistance to new students who wish to join SIS in recognition of their outstanding talents, abilities and the contributions they may make to the life of SIS. Usually awarded for an academic cycle (e.g. M1-M3, M4-M5, D1-D2).

## Scholarship Awards

Scholarship awards cover part of the tuition fees for a student for a predetermined length of time. Scholarship awards do not include the cost of lunches, examination costs or boarding fees.

## Policy Guidelines

- 1.- Scholarship funds are limited, and the School has a duty to take all reasonable steps to ensure their correct allocation.
- 2.- The deadline for receipt of the completed application and supporting documentation is 18th February. Incomplete applications or applications received after 18th February will not be considered.
- 3.- Each application is considered by the Award Committee, whose decision is final. The decision will be communicated to parents by the 29th April.
- 4.- Once an award is approved, parents will be sent information regarding the amount of the Scholarship, the duration and any additional conditions e.g. maintaining a level of achievement in certain subjects.
- 5.- Awards are typically for an academic cycle (e.g. M1-M3, M4-M5, D1-D2), taking into consideration the age of the student as well as their future educational plans.
- 6.- Scholarships may be renewed subject to the student's continued compliance with the original Terms of Agreement.
- 7.- Students receiving a Scholarship are expected to respect and comply with SIS Policies and Procedures at all times and to make continued progress in their area of excellence as recognised in the Scholarship Award. Should this not be the case, SIS reserve the right to terminate the Scholarship at the end of the academic year in which failure to adhere to the above conditions has been raised with the student and/or their family.

9.- Failure to meet the agreed financial schedule would mean the immediate cancellation of a Scholarship.

10.- Due to the limited financial resources of the School not every eligible application for a bursary will be successful.

#### **Scholarship types:**

##### **Academics - any subject taught at SIS.**

Gifted and talented students with proven academic merit (achievement) or potential. Judged by reports, attainment (e.g. GCSE results), entrance tests and interview by Head of Section. Applicants should also include a personal statement.

##### **Arts - Expressive (music and drama), Visual.**

All areas of The Arts require demonstration of skill and commitment, this can be provided by a portfolio, video, or a record of achievement which clearly documents the skills and achievements of the student. Applications should also include an academic report for the previous school year and a personal statement.

##### **Sports - golf, polo, tennis, football and swimming.**

Excellence in each of these sports is assessed by competitive entry method; a tournament, or other demonstration of personal skill. Applications should also include an academic report for the previous school year and a personal statement. Please note, students on our Elite Sports programme are not eligible for Scholarships. Other sports will be considered for Scholarships.

##### **Global Citizenship**

Students whose ideas, creativity and drive to help create a more peaceful, inclusive and sustainable world have been recognized. Tested by interview, personal statement and recommendation from a previous school or other relevant institution.

##### **Application Process**

Each of the categories requires some form of assessment (detailed in Scholarship types). In order to facilitate this, arrangements must be made for the student to visit SIS, giving the school at least 1 month's notice. The cost and arrangement of travel are the responsibility of the students and their family. Students who intend to board with SIS are eligible for up to 3 days free accommodation at the Boarding House.

Early submission of Scholarship applications is advised.

##### **Please include the following documents with applications;**

- A letter of application written by parent/guardian, detailing the student's personal details and type of Scholarship applied for.
- Previous year's school report.
- A personal statement, written by the student. Presenting themselves and explaining the expected benefits arising from attending SIS to themselves, to their community, to the school or to the world of Arts, Sport or Academics which they wish to inhabit.
- A maximum five minutes video about himself/sporting achievements / Portfolio of his works of art.

Applications can be sent via email to [awardcommittee@sis.gl](mailto:awardcommittee@sis.gl) with Scholarship as the subject of the email. They can also be delivered in person to School Reception, or by posted to:

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