

TEESSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES POLICY

Teesside High School is an Educational Charity and as such is obliged to discharge its charitable objectives and comply with Charity legislation.

New Charities legislation requires all charities to prove to the Charity Commission that they genuinely provide public benefit to all sectors of the community.

The Governors of Teesside High School are committed to broadening access to the school by offering to eligible parents means tested financial support and will ensure that funds made available for Bursaries are used to support parents who otherwise would not be able to send their children to the School.

Bursaries

Bursary awards are subject to a financial assessment of parental means in accordance with guidelines issued by the Independent Schools' Bursars Association. Awards will be granted to those families with the most limited of means and who are most likely to benefit from the education offered at the School. Awards are subject to availability of budget.

The financial assessment will be based on parental net resources and will take into account income, capital assets and investment and capital liabilities.

Bursaries will be awarded in the Sixth Form to local pupils whose parents have limited financial means. In addition, funds are sometimes available to help families who already have a place at Teesside High, but whose circumstances have changed significantly during their time here.

Award Applications must be completed and returned to the School by the relevant date as advertised each year and financial review by the 31st May. Failure to return the application form by the stated date may jeopardise the financial value of the award for the following academic year.

Scholarships

In the High School, Scholarships will be awarded for academic excellence to those pupils entering Year 7 (up to a maximum of six per annum) and the Lower Sixth. (up to a maximum of 4 per annum one of which may be a sports award)

Music scholarships will be awarded for excellence in music to those pupils entering Year 7 and the Lower Sixth. (up to 3 per annum)

Sports Scholarships are awarded for entry into the Lower Sixth (1 per annum) and are awarded for high sporting achievement and commitment to sports teams both within and outside School.

Successful students earn the distinction of becoming a Scholar and are eligible for a financial award of £500 per annum

Scholars may also be eligible for further financial assistance towards fees, through the School's Bursary scheme.

General

All awards are subject to annual review of parental financial circumstances and the academic progress and behaviour of the child. The awards may be varied up or down depending on parental circumstances.

The School respects the confidentiality of awards and recipients and their families are expected to do likewise. Failure to adhere to confidentiality will result in the withdrawal of the assistance

Upon the award of a scholarship or a bursary, the pupil will cease to be eligible for any other concessions or discounts to the tuition fees.

Awards are subject to the availability of funds and the School has absolute discretion to remove awards.

Ratified by the Board of Governors

Signature Date

Review date