

Tower College

Scholarship & Discounts

Academic Year: 2023-2024



Introduction

In keeping with its charitable status, Tower College is committed to the pursuit of educational excellence and to widening access to the school for children. The following Scholarships and Discounts are available (only one discount can be accessed and there are limited number of discounts/scholarships allocated each year)

Discounts

Each year we award a small number of discounts. All discounts are reviewed annually.

Sibling Discount (must be full time)

For each second sibling and each subsequent sibling joining Tower College, the fees are reduced by 20%

Full Time Christian Workers

Up to 20% discount

NHS worker

Up to 10% discount

Children of former pupils

Up to 5% discount

Tower College Staff

50% discount

Bursaries

There is a limited budget within the school to support parents whose financial circumstances change unexpectedly. Bursaries may be awarded based on assessment of present income and capital position of the family and presented to the Board of Governors for approval. Bursary arrangements are reviewed each term.

Towering Above Award – (New for 2024-2025)

Each year Tower College award one full scholarship, whereby 100% of the tuition fees are awarded to a talented pupil within the local area.

This award is means tested and is available to the pupil for each year (7-11) of their studies at Tower College.

The individual must score 95% or above in the Y7 External Entrance Exam. Before registering for the Y7 External Entrance Exam, the parents will complete and submit a confidential statement of financial circumstances for bursary support.

Scholarships

Open Academic Scholarships

We offer a limited number of Open Academic Scholarships to pupils entering Year 7 based on performance in the School Entrance Exam. We award Academic Scholarships each year, worth up to 15% of the fees, throughout a pupil's careers from Year 7 to Year 11, provided the pupil's efforts and behaviour remain consistent with the standard expected of scholars.

Candidates will undertake standardised tests in English and Maths. They will also be required to submit a piece of writing and undertake an interview. The awards are based on academic merit alone and will be irrespective of income.

How to Apply

There is no need to make a separate application. Offers will automatically be made to parents whose children come top of the field in the Entrance Exam.

Sports Scholarships

We offer a limited number of awards up to the value of 15% of fees to pupils who, whilst being academically ambitious, can make a significant contribution to the sporting success of the school. These individuals will be major game players, with major games being Rugby, Football, Cricket, Tennis, Swimming, Athletics and Gymnastics for both boys and girls. It is likely that successful applicants will currently be playing one of the major games to at least County, Regional or National level.

They will have made a significant contribution to the life of their current school and are expected to make the same commitment to Tower College. They will also be expected to contribute to major games other than their preferred sport and in so doing, provide a role model for others. Those selected will be expected to show initiative and possess strong personal qualities of leadership, morality/fair play, and loyalty. They will have a strong desire to succeed and work well with other team players.

Sports Scholarship holders will be expected to study P.E at GCSE from Year 10.

How to Apply

References on the ability and attitude of the pupil will be required from the pupil's current coaches and/or P.E. teachers and should be submitted with the registration form. In some cases, submission of video evidence may be appropriate.

SAMPLE Conditions of Award for Scholarships or Discount

<i>1) Confidentiality</i>	The award is made between Tower College and the parents concerned and as such is confidential to these two parties. No details of this award should be disclosed to a third party. If the details become public knowledge, the School reserves the right to withdraw the award.
<i>2) Pupil obligations</i>	A pupil who is the subject of an award is required to work hard, to contribute positively to the life of the School, to be a credit to the School and to set a good example to other pupils.
<i>3) Parental obligations</i>	Parents are expected to support and encourage the pupil to honour their obligations and to uphold the aims and the good name of the School. Parents are also required to pay the balance of the account by the first day of term, unless alternative arrangements have been agreed in writing with the Principal. Parents are expected to report immediately any change in circumstances that would make any discounts apply no longer valid.

<p>4) <i>Award withdrawal</i></p>	<p>The award may be withdrawn by written notice to a parent if, in the opinion of the Governors acting in good faith, the pupil or parent has not complied with the obligations set out at paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 above or otherwise the pupil has fallen below the required standards of conduct and progress and in the further opinion of the Governors there has been no significant improvement following consultation with a parent and/or pupil and a written warning. Withdrawal of the award shall take effect from the start of the following term.</p> <p>Further, the award may be withdrawn by written notice if the balance of the account remains unpaid 28 days after a written reminder has been sent.</p>
<p>5) <i>Repayment events</i></p>	<p>Parents shall be required, upon written notice, to repay all or part of the benefits they have received under the award in any of the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) up to three terms' benefits (if received) if the pupil has engaged in serious misconduct or has been expelled or removed for reasons of misconduct by the requirement of the Principal acting in good faith; b) up to three terms' benefits (if received) in a case of the pupil being withdrawn for any reason during a school term without a term's written notice having been given.
<p>6) <i>Fees in lieu of notice</i></p>	<p>For the avoidance of doubt, the benefit receivable under an award does not apply to any term for which the School has required payment of fees in lieu of notice.</p>
<p>7) <i>Terms and Conditions</i></p>	<p>These Conditions of Award take precedence over any of the School's Terms and Conditions which are inconsistent with them but in all other respects the Terms and Conditions as amended from time to time shall apply and these Conditions of Award shall be interpreted in accordance with them.</p>

Both parents, where applicable, or a legal guardian should sign below

Parent 1 PRINT NAME: _____

Parent 1 Signature

Date: _____

Parent 2 PRINT NAME: _____

Parent 2 Signature

Date: _____