GALAXY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Merit-based Discount/scholarship

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1. Merit-based Discounts

Rationale

In line with our mission, we want to keep our GIS family together by recognising and rewarding students' hard work and dedication.

Who is eligible to apply

Students currently enrolled at GIS and studying at grades 2-8.

Our grade applying at	Our grade applying for	Month range	Year range
Grade 2	Grade 3	105 – 116	8-9
Grade 3	Grade 4	117 - 128	9-10
Grade 4	Grade 5	129 - 140	10-11
Grade 5	Grade 6	141 – 152	11-12
Grade 6	Grade 7	153 – 164	12-13
Grade 7	Grade 8	165 – 176	13-14
Grade 8	Grade 9	177 – 188	14-15

1.1 Brief information on the Merit-based Discount

- 1.1.1 Galaxy International School's Discount Program is open to currently enrolled students from grades 1-8.
- 1.1.2 Eligibility for the Galaxy International School Discount Program mandates students to **score above 90%** in all Cambridge examination sections. Additionally, students in grades 2-5 require **recommendation letters** from both classroom and homeroom teachers. In contrast, grades 6-8 students must accumulate at least **150 merit points** till 25th may of this education year, reflecting academic excellence and positive school engagement.
- 1.1.3 Recipients must uphold academic excellence, maintain a clean disciplinary record, contribute positively to the school community, and exemplify leadership qualities.
- 1.1.4 The discount applies solely for one academic year, necessitating annual requalification through examinations.
- 1.1.5 It's exclusive and cannot be combined with other offers, except for early payment and sibling discounts, ensuring a focused reward for distinguished academic and community contributions.

1.2 How can I apply?

No application is necessary. Students who achieve a score higher than 90% on either the progression test or the checkpoint test are automatically eligible.

1.2.1 Examinations

Our grade applying at	Our grade applying for	Examination Score more than 90%	Merit	
Grade 2	Grade 3	Cambridge Progression test	Recommendations from teachers	
Grade 3	Grade 4	Cambridge Progression test	Recommendations from teachers	
Grade 4	Grade 5	Cambridge Progression test	Recommendations from teachers	
Grade 5	Grade 6	Cambridge Primary Checkpoint	Recommendations from teachers	
Grade 6	Grade 6 Grade 7 Cambridge Progression test 150 M		150 Merit points	
Grade 7	Grade 7 Grade 8 Cambridge Progression test		150 Merit points	
Grade 8	Grade 9	Cambridge Checkpoint	150 Merit points	

1.2.2 When will the exams take place?

Progression tests - April-May Checkpoint exams - April

1.3 Discount amount

The discount amount is 10%

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Head of departments references may also be requested.

The committee will make the final decision about a discount for the upcoming academic year by 20th August 2024.

2. Merit-based Scholarships

Rationale

In line with our mission, we want to keep our GIS family together by recognising and rewarding students' hard work and dedication.

Who is eligible to apply

Students currently enrolled at GIS.

Our grade applying for	Month range	Year range
Grade 10	189-200	15-16
Grade 11	201-212	16-17
Grade 12	213-224	17-18

2.1 Brief information on the Merit-based Scholarship

Eligibility: The Galaxy International School (GIS) Scholarship Program is designed for students in grades 10-11 who are currently enrolled at GIS.

2.1.1 Criteria for Selection:

- a) Academic Excellence: High scores in IGCSE or AS-level examinations.
- b) Merit Points: A minimum of 150 merit points.
- c) Broad Achievements: Notable accomplishments in academics, sports, or the arts.
- d) Community Engagement: Active participation in the school's social activities.
- e) GPA Requirement: An average GPA of 85%.

2.1.2 Scholarship Benefits:

- a) Recipients will enjoy a tuition discount, provided they continue to meet the scholarship's criteria of academic excellence, commitment to learning, maintenance of a clean disciplinary record, contribution to the school community, and role model behavior for peers.
- b) The scholarship covers tuition and textbooks for one academic year.
- c) Eligibility for the scholarship must be re-verified annually through examination performance.

2.1.3 Additional Information:

- a) **Renewability:** The scholarship is awarded for one academic year at a time. Continuation of the scholarship requires annual proof of eligibility.
- b) **Combining Discounts**: The scholarship discount cannot be combined with any other discounts, with the exceptions of early payment and sibling discounts.

2.2 Application Process

How to Apply:

Students interested in applying should send a formal email to the Secondary Principal at *secondary.principal@galaxy.edu.kz*. Please ensure to attach all relevant certificates and documents to the email. Applications without attached documents will not be considered valid.

Application Deadline:

The deadline for applications is May 25th of each academic year.

Examination Criteria and Requirements

Our grade applying at	Our grade applying for	Examination	
Grade 10	Grade 11	IGCSE Results	
Grade 11	Grade 12	AS Level Results	

2.2.1 For 10th Grade Students:

IGCSE Examinations: Students must achieve at least 3 A* grades. Subjects must be selected

from the following four subject groups:

Group I: Languages (mandatory)
Group II: Mathematics (mandatory)

Group III: Humanities and Social Sciences

Group IV: Sciences

2.2.2 For 11th Grade Students:

AS Level Results: Students are required to achieve a minimum of **two "A" grades and one "B" grade.** The subjects for these grades must be chosen from at least two of the following subject groups:

Group I: Mathematics and Sciences

Group II: Languages

Group III: Arts and Humanities

2.3 Criteria for Recognizing Notable Accomplishments:

Our scholarship criteria recognize students for their achievements beyond academics, in areas such as sports, the arts, and significant citywide social projects. Eligible students must have one or more of the following achievements:

- **2.3.1** Competitive Achievements: Have at least one citywide level (or higher) certificate or diploma in academics, sports, or the arts.
- **2.3.2 Social Projects Participation:** Demonstrate active participation in citywide social projects, contributing to community improvement. Participation must be verifiable through appropriate documentation or acknowledgments.

2.4 Criteria for Community Engagement:

Community engagement is a vital component of our scholarship criteria, emphasizing the importance of active participation and contribution to the school's social fabric. To meet this criterion, students must demonstrate their involvement in one or more of the following ways:

- **2.4.1 Volunteerism:** Actively volunteering in school-organized social activities. Students should provide at least two certificates of participation, which validate their contributions and involvement in these events.
- **2.4.2 School Council Participation:** Being an active member of the school council. This requires recommendations from Vice Principals (VPs) to attest to the student's active engagement, leadership qualities, and positive impact within the council.

2.5 Galaxy International School merit-based scholarship overall scheme.

2.5.1 10th graders

no	IGCSE	merit	achievements	social life	GPA	discount
1	3 A*	150	point 2.3	point 2.4	85%	100%
2	2A* 1A	150	point 2.3	point 2.4	85%	75%
3	1A* 2A or 2A* 1 B	150	point 2.3	point 2.4	85%	50%

2.5.2 11th graders

no	As-level	merit	achievements	social life	GPA	discount
1	2A, 1B and above	150	point 2.3	point 2.4	85%	100%
2	1A, 2B	150	point 2.3	point 2.4	85%	75%
3	3 Bs	150	point 2.3	point 2.4	85%	50%

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