

Rockbrook Park School

Scholarship Awards

Rockbrook Park School is a secondary school for boys, situated near Rathfarnham, in the foothills of the Dublin Mountains. Established by parents, the school seeks to combine academic excellence, all-round character development and personal attention to each student with a close working relationship between teachers and parents. The ethos of the school is Catholic, and students of other beliefs are welcome. The school has a good soccer tradition. Rockbrook has recently completed the construction of a new school.

Two scholarships are now being offered for students commencing in the school in September 2010. The scholarships may cover the full cost of fees at the school, and in some cases may include transport costs to and from the school. These scholarships will continue for the duration of the student's attendance at the school. The main criteria for granting an award are outlined below.

1. While the scholarships will be awarded under specific category headings, academic excellence will be a consideration in all scholarship awards. The scholarships may be awarded under any category. These categories are:
 - ◆ students of high academic ability
 - ◆ students from non-national backgrounds
 - ◆ students with exceptional soccer skills
 - ◆ students who might not otherwise consider a fee-paying school.
2. Scholarships will be awarded to students entering at first-year level into the school.
3. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of
 - a completed application form
 - an interview with the applicant and with his parents
 - a recommendation from the applicant's primary school principal
 - an assessment of ability at soccer (for those applying under that category)
 - a review of current school reports and homework copies or workbooks.The school reserves the right to conduct some academic tests as appropriate.
4. The parents of those receiving scholarships are expected to make a commitment to participate fully in the school community.
5. The closing date for 2010 applications is 5 February, 2010.

For full details and application forms contact the secretary, Rockbrook Park School, Rathfarnham, Dublin 16. Tel 01-4933204, email admin@rockbrook.ie or download from the school website after November 30, 2009.

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In seeking to encourage equal opportunity of access to education, the school has a scholarship scheme. Two scholarships are being offered for the academic year 2010/11. The scholarships may cover up to the full cost of fees at the school, and in some cases may include transport costs to and from the school. These scholarships will continue for the duration of the student's attendance at the school. The Scholarship Awards Scheme is subject to the terms and conditions outlined below.

The following terms and conditions will apply to the scholarship award scheme:

1. The scholarships will be awarded to boys for the duration of secondary school studies in Rockbrook Park School, subject to conditions. While the scholarship applicants will be considered under specific category headings all scholarships relate to academic ability
2. The specific category awards for the scholarship award scheme are outlined below. Students may apply under at most two category headings. The two scholarships may be awarded under any category. These categories are:
 - students of high academic ability
 - students from non-national backgrounds, now living in Ireland
 - students with exceptional soccer skills
 - students who might not otherwise consider a fee-paying school.

Scholarships will generally be awarded to students entering first year of secondary school. The school reserves the right to alter the number of awards made in any category or not to make an award. The school also reserves the right to offer partial scholarships in particular circumstances. Parents who do not exactly fit the specified categories may make a case for consideration of their application. The Scholarship Committee may give consideration to the financial needs of the applicant in its assessment.

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of an application, an interview with the boy and also with his parents, a recommendation from the boy's primary school principal, current school reports and homework copies or workbooks. Those applying under the soccer category will also be judged on information to hand regarding their sporting ability. The school principal and the nominated soccer club (for soccer applicants) may be contacted. The Scholarship Committee may seek back-up documentation to confirm any information provided. The school reserves the right to conduct some academic tests as appropriate.

3. The parents of those seeking scholarships are also expected to make a commitment to fully participate in the school community throughout the duration of the award.
4. A parent wishing to apply on their son's behalf must complete an application form and return it to the Scholarship Committee of Rockbrook Park School together with
 - a copy of a recent school report (from June 09 or later)
 - a letter of recommendation from the current primary school principal.
 - a recent photograph of the student and a copy of his birth certificate.
5. Applications must be submitted by February 5, 2010. Interviews and inspection of the student's work will take place in February/March, and scholarships will be offered before the end of March. The Scholarship Committee will endeavour to make fair decisions based on the criteria outlined in this document. The Scholarship Committee's decisions are final and the committee cannot enter into correspondence or discussion with regard to its decisions.
6. All scholarships are awarded in accordance with the procedure outlined above. The scholarships are for the normal duration of secondary school studies and it is not envisaged that these would apply to studying for a repeat year. Scholarship holders are expected to perform in accord with their academic ability, and to uphold the standards of the school, as with any other Rockbrook student. Parents are also expected to participate in the life of the school. Any substantial departure from these standards will be considered in each annual review of scholarships by the Scholarship Committee and may lead to a curtailment or removal of the scholarship award for subsequent years. Applicants are encouraged to review the values and philosophy of Rockbrook Park School before making an application. While the underlying ethos of the school is Catholic, awards may be made to students of other faiths.

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Scholarship Award Application Form

Parents of applicants must complete this application in full. Please also supply:

- a copy of a recent school report (from June 09 or later)
- a letter of recommendation from the primary school principal
- a recent photograph of the student and a copy of his birth certificate.

The purpose of this form is to ascertain key details about the applicant. If an applicant has difficulty in completing any part of the form or supplying supporting documentation on time (e.g. due to insufficient information being available) they should use the blank spaces to state why. All information provided will be kept strictly confidential, and data will be controlled at all times to ensure confidentiality.

Boy's name & surname - _____

Home address - _____

Telephone number (parent /guardian: for contact regarding this application)

E-mail address (for contact regarding this application)

Date of birth _____

Country / county of birth

Boy's nationality _____

PPS number (if available)

Primary School

Date of finishing primary school (usually June 2010) _____

Number of years in attendance at this primary school _____
(If less than five years please give details of previous school attendance)

Under what categories is the boy applying for a scholarship? (maximum of two categories only)

<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Student of high academic ability- Student from non-national background who resides in Ireland- Student with exceptionally good soccer skills- Student who might not otherwise consider a fee-paying school	<p>Tick here</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
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If there is other information (e.g. because you do not exactly fit a category) please supply it here. If the boy is in a soccer club please supply details here i.e. club, name of team coach.

Father's name _____ Occupation _____

Mother's name _____ Occupation _____

Family details

Number of brothers and sisters, names, ages...

Are there any special family or financial circumstances relevant to the application (detail in full here)?

(The form should be signed by a least one parent/ guardian of the boy)

I wish to apply for a scholarship for my son. I declare that the details provided are true.

Parent 1

Signed _____ Date _____

Parent 2

Signed _____ Date _____

This completed application form, together with enclosures should be sent to:

**The Scholarship Committee, Rockbrook Park School, Edmondstown Road
Rathfarnham, Dublin 16.**

The closing date for applications is **5 February, 2010**. The Scholarship Committee will acknowledge receipt of applications only **after the closing date, and after an initial assessment has been conducted**. At that time those candidates selected for interview will be contacted. The Committee.