



Merit Scholarship Application

The St. Johns Country Day School Merit Scholarship Program is a selective, merit-based opportunity that recognizes students who demonstrate both outstanding academic promise and a desire to make a significant contribution to the life of St. Johns Country Day School.

There is a drive to thrive that is palpable at St. Johns. Our students – your children – are motivated to meet the high expectations of our superior college prep curriculum. This drive and determination is matched by their character, which is cultivated in our inclusive and tight-knit community of faculty, staff, and fellow students who know and respect one another.

Eligibility for a Merit Scholarship

The student must:

- Be entering Grade 7 or Grade 9.
- Complete the St. Johns admissions process, or be a re-enrolled St. Johns student.
- Complete the St. Johns Merit Scholarship application, including an essay.
- Earn a combined stanine score of 28 or higher on the Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE). All ISEE testing must be complete prior to the application deadline. Visit ISEEtest.org to learn more about the ISEE.
- Students entering Grade 7 must maintain a weighted Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher.
- Students entering Grade 9 must maintain a weighted GPA of 3.6 (on a 4.0 scale) or higher.

Merit Scholarship Financial Benefits

The Merit Scholarship will cover 50% of tuition as long as the recipient continues to meet the eligibility requirements for the scholarship. This scholarship does not cover any additional required fees or expenses, including, but not limited to: application fee, building fees, Tuition Refund Plan (TRP), digital textbook fees, or school uniforms costs. A detailed description of the program rules and regulations including eligibility, application process, and renewal policy can be obtained from the Office of Admissions, the school website, or the Merit Scholarship Program application.

In order to be considered for this scholarship an applicant must submit a completed application to the Office of Admissions no later than February 28th.

Selection Process

All completed applications will be reviewed by the St. Johns Country Day School Merit Scholarship Selection Committee and selected applicants will participate in a panel interview with members of the Selection Committee. St. Johns admits qualified applicants without regard to gender, race, color, national or ethnic origin and grants to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students of the school.

The number of students who will receive a merit scholarship will be limited to no more than four students entering Grade 7 and four students entering Grade 9. If more than four students meet the criteria for either Grade 7 or Grade 9, St. Johns will award the merit scholarships to the four students in each grade earning the highest combined stanine scores on the ISEE.

Notification

Recipients of the scholarships will be notified by March 31st.

St. Johns is pleased to offer this opportunity to both new students and students currently enrolled at St. Johns. If you have any questions about the Merit Scholarship Program, please contact the Office of Admissions at (904) 264-9572 or admissions@sjcds.net.

The Merit Scholarship is renewable based on the following criteria:

- The recipient is in good financial standing with the school.
- The recipient must maintain minimum GPAs as prescribed on page 1.

Recipients of the Merit Scholarship award are eligible to apply for Financial Aid and receive aid awards in addition to the scholarship based on individual need. As with all scholarship and financial aid programs, St. Johns Country Day School reserves the right to modify the terms and conditions of this scholarship program including termination.

Please complete the application form and essay in the space provided on the next two pages and submit the completed application to the Office of Admissions no later than February 28th.



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Applicant's Name: _____

Applicant's Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Grade for which you are applying (circle one): 7 9

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

In fewer than 500 words, please describe the ways in which you will contribute to the St. Johns community if you are selected to receive a Merit Scholarship:

Additional space provided on the back.
