



MERCHISTON

EDINBURGH

Scholarship Application Form

Applicants for Scholarships should be fully registered with the Admissions Department before assessment. This form should reach the Admissions Department by the appropriate date indicated in the School's information booklet and website. This form should be supported by an academic and character report from the candidate's present Head teacher (which may be submitted separately). All candidates will be interviewed by members of staff appropriate to their age and/or the award applied for. Assessment dates and criteria are contained in the Information & Scholarship booklet and on the website.

Please note that our Scholarships carry a financial benefit of 5% (from September 2024, non-retrospective). Parents may also apply for means-tested Financial Assistance. To apply for assistance, you will be required to complete a confidential Statement of Financial Assistance. Please request this via the Admissions Department (admissions@merchiston.co.uk)

1. Candidate's Details

Full name:

Date of birth:

Parent's Telephone:

Parent's Email:

Current School:

Head Teacher's name:

School address:

Postcode:

Telephone:

2. Year Group of Entry

Sixth Form (16+)

Fourth Form (13+)

Please complete the section relevant to the Scholarship for which you are applying. Please ensure that you sign and date the form.

3. Type of Scholarship applied for

- Academic All Rounder Sport Music Pipe Band
 Art & Design STEM Drama

4. Academic Assessments

All Students applying for our Scholarship programme will need to satisfy the School’s academic entrance requirements for their age.

1. Academic Scholarship

At 13+ your son’s scholarship level assessment will take the form of our own examinations and interviews. All papers sat will be ranked with the most successful candidates being awarded an academic scholarship.

At 16+ For Sixth Form entry he will sit papers at GCSE level in the subjects that he would like to follow at A Level. An interview will also take place to ascertain skill level and passion for his chosen academic subjects. For internal candidates, this will be based solely on their GCSE grades.

5. Specialist Areas of Assessment

1. All Rounder Scholarship

All rounder candidates sit academic entrance papers as indicated in the ‘Academic Assessment’ section above and will be additionally assessed in 2 or more specialist areas chosen from: Art & Design, Drama, Music/Pipe Band, Sport, STEM.

Please tick your choice of specialist areas:

- Art & Design STEM Drama Music Pipe Band Sport

If your selection includes Music, Pipes & Drums, Drama and Sport, please complete below the section which is relevant to you.

<i>Instrument 1</i>	<i>Grade</i>	<i>Instrument 2</i>	<i>Grade</i>

<i>Sport 1</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Sport 2</i>	<i>Level</i>

<i>Bagpipes</i>	<i>Drums</i>

Drama – brief overview of productions in which the applicant has been involved

Click or tap here to enter text.

2. Music Scholarship

Music candidates sit academic entrance papers as indicated in the 'Academic Assessment' section above. Please indicate below your choice of instrument (s) and/or voice, and level achieved. If unable to attend in person, a video submission can be arranged with the Head of Music.

<i>Instrument 1</i>	<i>Grade achieved – with marks or estimated standard</i>	<i>Number of years studied</i>
<i>Instrument 2</i>	<i>Grade achieved – with marks or estimated standard</i>	<i>Number of years studied</i>

3. Sport Scholarship

Sport scholarship candidates sit academic entrance papers as indicated in the 'Academic Assessment' section above. Please indicate below in which sports (minimum 2 and at least one to be selected from athletics, cricket, rugby, cricket, tennis, golf or hockey) you wish to be assessed for the award. Alongside your application, please submit your son's sport CV.

<i>Sport 1</i>	<i>Level achieved</i>	<i>Team membership</i>	<i>Team responsibility</i>
<i>Sport 2</i>	<i>Level achieved</i>	<i>Team membership</i>	<i>Team responsibility</i>

4. Pipe Band Scholarship

Pipe Band scholarship candidates sit academic entrance papers as indicated in the 'Academic Assessment' section above. Please indicate below in which Pipe Band instrument you would like to be assessed.

Bagpipes

Drums

Please provide a list of 10 tunes of various contrasting time signatures. 5 will be chosen to be performed at the live assessing panel.

<i>Tune 1</i>	
<i>Tune 2</i>	

<i>Tune 3</i>	
<i>Tune 4</i>	
<i>Tune 5</i>	
<i>Tune 6</i>	
<i>Tune 7</i>	
<i>Tune 8</i>	
<i>Tune 9</i>	
<i>Tune 10</i>	

5. Art & Design

Art & Design scholarship candidates sit academic entrance papers as indicated in the ‘Academic Assessment’ section above. They will also be required to submit with their application a digital portfolio of work to be discussed.

Please give below a short statement about your particular areas of strength in Art & Design and what you hope to achieve in the future through the study of these subjects.

6. STEM

STEM scholarship candidates sit academic entrance papers as indicated in the ‘Academic Assessment’ section above. They will also be required to submit with their application a digital portfolio of work to be discussed. The portfolio should include mainly personal inquiry or hobby projects, but can also include some work completed in school.

6. Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature

I/we wish my son to be a candidate for a Merchiston Scholarship as indicated. I understand that if my son is awarded a Scholarship this will take effect from the start of the new academic year following the offer of this award

Parent/Guardian 1

Date

Parent/Guardian 2

Date