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Merit/Extended Scholarship Policy

Goal

The goal of a Merit/Extended Scholarship is to make QSI International School of Atyrau an affordable option to families who do not – or only partially – receive educational support from their respective companies. This reduction will be available to specific companies in the community which have been approved by the Advisory Board. On an exceptional basis, extended scholarships can also be offered directly to individuals – to be approved by the Advisory Board. Generally, students and families under the Merit/Extended scholarship program must meet the same criteria and guidelines as those who pay full tuition rates.

Outline of Policy

- Merit/Extended scholarship is not guaranteed and will go through a similar selection process to scholarship, among others focusing on current and forecasted space in the class. Nationality of the student is not a determining factor in the decision to award an extended scholarship.
- Extended scholarship students cannot enter a class of more than 18 students; the school will not hire additional teachers to accommodate reduced tuition students.
- No additional staff will be hired because of increased enrollment due to the Merit/Extended Scholarship program.
- Merit/Extended scholarship families and students will be held accountable for the same expectations of a scholarship student for academic performance, behavior, and community involvement.
- If a company reduces their academic support, families are ineligible for extended scholarship for 2 academic years. (Companies cannot remove support of families and expect them to receive reduced tuition)
- Merit/Extended scholarship will be reviewed by the Advisory Board every year for renewal.
- The Advisory Board will determine the amount of Merit/ Extended scholarship based upon the tuition support families receive from their companies.
- Extended scholarships fees are capped at 50% of full tuition fee.
- In accordance with our school's scholarship policy, Capital Funds fees will be waived for scholarship students. Registration fees are still required.