

Academic Scholarship Information  
Year 12 Entry



TONBRIDGE  
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# FROM APPLICATION TO AWARD



# ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2027

**Our Sixth Form Scholarship Programme celebrates exceptional talent within academic, music and sporting domains and has been designed to attract, nurture and support new Sixth Form students in their areas of strength.**

**Sixth Form Scholars are encouraged to participate actively in all aspects of School life, embodying the values and spirit of our School community.**

**All Sixth Form Scholarships can be held in conjunction with means-tested financial support.**

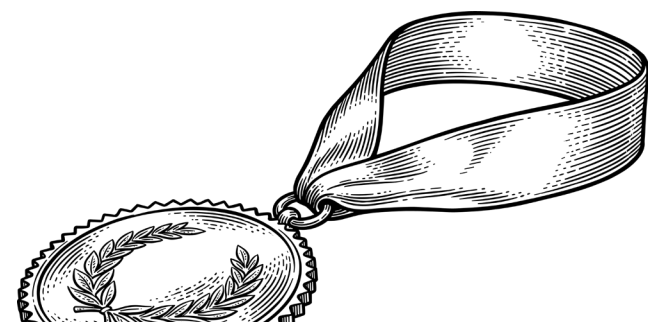
## Introducing the Academic Scholarship

A limited number of Sixth Form Academic Scholarships are available to external applicants who are academically exceptional and who will make a significant contribution to the intellectual life of the School.

Academic Scholarships are determined by the information provided in the candidate's current school report, submitted at the time of application; and by performance in our entrance assessments and academic scholarship interviews.

During their time at Tonbridge, Academic Scholars are expected to:

- be highly academically ambitious and intellectually curious;
- demonstrate exceptional potential across a range of subjects, with particular strength in their proposed A Level choices;
- be on course to achieve at least 85 GCSE points, calculated from their best ten GCSE subjects;
- show evidence of independent academic engagement beyond the requirements of the examined curriculum; and
- be willing to contribute positively and visibly to the scholarly life of the Sixth Form.



## The Academic Scholars' Programme

Academic Scholars will receive a distinctive programme of opportunities designed to extend and challenge them throughout the Sixth Form. This will include:

- membership of the School's Athena Society for Academic Scholars, providing regular meetings, lectures, discussions and enrichment opportunities;
- targeted preparation for relevant university admissions tests;
- bespoke preparation for Oxbridge and highly selective US university applications, where appropriate;
- opportunities to participate in academic competitions, lectures, research projects and subject-specific enrichment; and
- an expectation that scholars will contribute actively to the intellectual life of the School, including through societies, mentoring, competitions and academic events.

## Remission amount

Academic Scholars will be awarded 20% fee remission for the duration of the Sixth Form (two years).

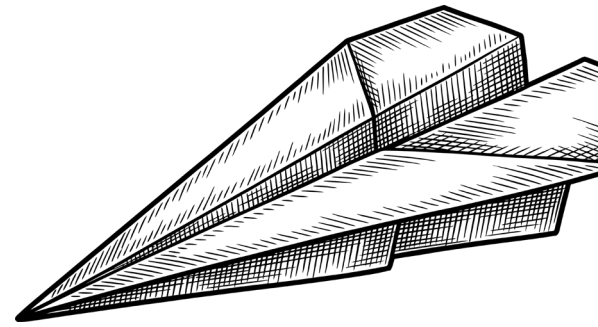
## How to apply

Indicate your intention to apply for an Academic Scholarship when you complete your application for a Sixth Form place.

You will then be invited to follow the standard entry assessment process comprising examinations and an interview, as detailed on our website.

Once you are in receipt of an offer, if you performed particularly well in our entrance assessments, you will be invited to participate in additional subject-specific extension interviews as well as an interview with our Deputy Head Academic.

The subject-specific extension interviews will explore both your current attainment, and your aptitude (intellectual curiosity, academic ambition, independence of thought and potential to contribute to the wider scholarly culture of the School.)



## Age limit

Candidates for Academic Awards must be under 17.0 on 1 September 2027.

## Multiple awards

An Academic Scholarship may be held in conjunction with any other scholarship awards and/or means-tested bursary.

## Dates for 2027 entry

Please note that this is a decision pathway, with only the successful candidates invited to participate in the next stage.

## 2026

- **1 October:** deadline for Sixth Form applications (including interest for Scholarships)
- **31 October:** entrance examination at Tonbridge School
- **November:** entrance interview

1 December: entrance examination outcomes communicated

## 2027

- **January:** Academic Scholarship interviews
- **February:** outcome confirmed

## Further information

Please contact Mark Weatheritt, Deputy Head Academic, for further information and advice via

[Scholarships@tonbridge-school.org](mailto:Scholarships@tonbridge-school.org).



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