



# THE KING'S COLLEGE AND PREPARATORY SCHOOL

## **KING'S SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP - CRITERIA**

The King's College and Preparatory School offer a limited number of partial Sports scholarships to current and external learners entering Grade 8 or above. Scholarships are awarded to Grade 8 – 12 learners of exceptional sporting ability and character based on evidenced performance according to the criteria set by The King's College and Preparatory School.

The vision, focus and values of King's, which include cultivating a love of learning, preparing learners to be leaders and building culture through sporting excellence and creative arts, provide the framework within which excellence can be defined. Our school places great importance on honouring our K.I.N.G.S. values - Knowledge, Integrity, New Thought, Growth and Social Impact. Scholarship recipients will need to honour these values both on and off the sports field.

## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

It is accepted that confidentiality, discretion, experience and flexibility are required in the selection of recipients for scholarships in order to meet strategic objectives, which may depend on the calibre, category and number of applications.

The amount of scholarships available to be distributed in a given year is determined by the Committee comprising the King's Finance Team and Board of Governors. The recipients of Sports scholarships are determined by the Committee and Sports Department.

All scholarships are linked to fees as appropriate. King's scholarships are awarded as a fixed percentage of school fees to successful recipients for the duration of the award, at the discretion of the Committee. This amount will range between 25 – 50%. The percentages to be assigned to each award fall within the discretion of the Committee in any given year, taking into account the needs of the school at the time as well as the calibre of the applicants.

The Committee's decisions are final, and no negotiation will be entered into.

Please note:

- The Scholarship is applied to school fees only. No reduction is applied to additional expenses such as annual extras, tours, camps, outings etc.
- The Scholarship may not be linked to further discounts such as fees paid in advance, sibling discounts or any other reductions.
- The Scholarship may be withdrawn without prejudice should the school consider that it forfeits through behaviour, discipline, academic or other reasons.
- Parents who fall behind with fees while being Scholarship holders may have the Scholarship forfeited.

## **CRITERIA**

The basic criteria that would need to be met are as follows:

- Applicants must have achieved in one of the following major sports: Cricket, Softball, Netball, Football, Athletics and/or Swimming.
- Applicants must achieve a minimum of 60% average on their latest report.

Please take note of the unique requirements per sporting code needed for the scholarship application:

Cricket:

- Far North (or similar) district representation at the time of application.
- Be in the top 5 achievers for the season in batting or bowling statistics at learners' current school or club.
- Batsman: at least 4x50 runs in a calendar year.
- Bowler: 4 wickets per match x 3 in a calendar year.
- The candidate will be required to attend two (2) cricket practice sessions at King's.

Softball:

- Must be selected for Johannesburg Softball Association or provincial team in the last 2 years.
- Must be in the Top 5 achievers for batting or pitching at current school or club.
- The candidate will be required to attend two (2) softball practice sessions at King's.

Swimming:

- Must have attended Central Gauteng trials in the last calendar year.
- Provide detailed records and times of the previous season.
- Be a top swimmer in more than one discipline at current school or club.
- Must represent current school's and/or club's A-team.

Netball:

- Must have been selected for district, regional or provincial level in the last 2 years.
- Must represent current school's or club's A-team.
- The candidate will be required to attend two (2) netball practice sessions at King's.

Football:

- Play club football in addition to school football.
- The candidate must be in the A-team of their school or club team.
- The candidate will be required to attend two (2) football practice sessions at King's.

Athletics:

- Must have achieved a podium result at Inter-High in the last 2 years.
- Provide detailed records and times of previous or current season.
- Must be a top athlete at current school or club.

## **MAINTENANCE**

The learner's academic and sports progress will be monitored and feedback will be provided termly. The learner's behaviour and exemplifying of the K.I.N.G.S. values will also be monitored continuously.

The Scholarship will only be retained annually upon the candidate *maintaining the minimum criteria as listed below* for the remainder of the candidate's school career. Failure to meet the minimum criteria will result in the scholarship being reviewed and may be revoked from the candidate. The learner's behaviour and exemplifying of the K.I.N.G.S. values will also be taken into account.

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In order to retain the Sports Scholarship for the balance of the learners' College tenure, the learner will need to maintain a certain level of excellence, work hard and contribute positively to the culture of our sporting codes.

- The awardee must continue participation in the sporting code for which the scholarship was awarded.
  - The awardee is required to represent King's in all matches (unless ill or other unforeseen circumstances excluding club matches).
  - The awardee is required to attend the majority of school practices if also attending club training.
- Applicants must play a minimum of two sports offered at King's at an A-team level (one Summer and one Winter sport).
- Play one major sport other than the sport for which the scholarship was awarded.
- Maintain a 60% pass rate and pass all learning areas.
- Maintain a Bachelor's Degree pass rate when a candidate enters the FET Phase.

Please take note of the unique requirements per sporting code needed to maintain your scholarship should you be successful.

Cricket:

- Must represent the King's A-team.
- Be in the top 5 achievers for the season in batting, bowling and fielding statistics.

Softball:

- Must represent the King's A-team.
- Be in the top 5 achievers for the season in batting, pitching and fielding statistics.

Swimming:

- Be a top swimmer in more than one discipline.
- Must represent school's A-team.
- Maintain club level 3 or above.
- Must represent the school at Prestige Gala.

Netball:

- Must represent the King's A-team.
- Must attend King's Sports Academy netball training.

Football:

- Play club football in addition to school football.
- Must represent the King's A-team.

Athletics:

- Must have achieved a podium result at Inter-High.
- Must achieve first place in 75% or more at athletics meets.

### **SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS**

1. Complete the Scholarship Application Form
2. Provide the following supporting documents:

- a. Learner's most recent report
- b. A CV of the candidate's sporting achievements and participation.
- c. Proof must be provided of the learner's recent sporting achievements. This evidence must be listed in the CV and handed in along with the application i.e. photocopies/pictures of certificates, awards and medals.
- d. Testimonial from the candidate's current school/sports coach.
- e. Candidates are to submit a 500 - 1000 word motivational letter stating why they deserve the scholarship.
- f. The applicant may be expected to attend two one-hour trial sessions with a sporting coach to assess the skill level of the applicant.

Based on the documents submitted, the candidate's application will be reviewed. If the criteria are met, the learner will be invited to attend practices. Thereafter, if successful, The King's College and Preparatory School will indicate intent to offer a Sports Scholarship. The percentage awarded will be included in the scholarship offer letter.

If the learner accepts the scholarship offer, the standard Admissions Process will commence which includes completing the online application form, credit and financial checks, level-testing and an interview with the Principal. Once the Admissions process is complete and successful, the parents of the learner will be required to sign the Enrollment Contract, Scholarship Agreement and pay the non-refundable Enrollment Fee. Thereafter, the learner will be enrolled and the scholarship will be applied to the learner's school fees only.

For any questions pertaining to the scholarship criteria, please email [chantalj@thekingscollege.co.za](mailto:chantalj@thekingscollege.co.za).