



Scholarships at 16+

The assessment day for the 2023-24 16+ Scholarship assessments is **Friday 3rd February 2023**. To apply for a scholarship, parents must return a completed application form, including registration fee, and a scholarship application form by **Friday 13th January 2023**. For further information please contact our Registrar at cwalker@rookwoodschool.org or on 01264 325910.

Most scholars will be offered a 10% discount on fees. A higher discount may be offered in exceptional circumstances, for example for an outstanding candidate or where a candidate demonstrates promise in two or more areas.

Academic

Academic scholars are expected to display a positive attitude to their work across all subject areas. Academic scholars are expected to work hard in class, behave well and ensure that homework tasks are completed to a high standard. It is recognised that even scholars may struggle in certain subjects but in such cases, it is imperative that they maintain a positive attitude.

At 16+, the award of an academic scholarship is based on a student's top eight GCSE predicted grades and their performance in their GCSE mock exams.

Art

Art scholars are expected to play a full role in the Art Department. They are expected to participate in and promote extra-curricular activities in art. Art scholars are ambassadors for art in and out of lessons and should show this through their effort and attainment in art lessons and in broader participation beyond lessons. It is possible that an art scholar can retain their scholarship even if they choose not to take art as an A Level option. However, the expectations to participate fully in the broader life of the subject remains and retention of the scholarship is dependent upon it.

At 16+, candidates are required to present a portfolio of their work, which should demonstrate a range of styles and/or media. External candidates will also be interviewed and may be required to sit an examination. The school reserves the right to interview/examine internal candidates (current Rookwood students).

Drama

Drama scholars are expected to play a full role in the Drama Department. They are expected to participate in and promote extra-curricular activities in performing arts. Drama scholars are ambassadors for performing arts in and out of lessons and should show this through their effort and attainment in drama lessons and in broader participation beyond lessons. It is possible that a drama scholar can obtain a scholarship even if they choose not to take drama as an A Level option. However, the expectations to participate fully in the broader life of the subject remains and retention of the scholarship is dependent upon it.

At 16+, candidates should provide a drama portfolio which details any drama examinations that they have taken, roles that they have had in a play or drama clubs that they belong to. External candidates will also be interviewed and may be required to demonstrate their drama skills. The school reserves the right to interview/assess internal candidates (current Rookwood students).

Music

Music scholars are expected to play a full role in the Music Department. They are expected to participate in and promote extra-curricular activities in performing arts. Music scholars are ambassadors for performing arts in and out of lessons and should show this through their effort and attainment in music lessons and in broader participation beyond lessons. It is possible that a music scholar can obtain a scholarship even if they choose not to take music as an A Level option. However, the expectations to participate fully in the broader life of the subject remains and retention of the scholarship is dependent upon it.

In addition to the discount in fees, Music Scholars will also receive the equivalent of one free peripatetic lesson per week during term time.

At 16+, candidates should have achieved at least Grade 7 in their chosen instrument (which could include voice). External candidates will also be interviewed and may be required to demonstrate their musical skills. The school reserves the right to interview/assess internal candidates (current Rookwood students).

Sports

Sports scholars are expected to play a full role in the PE Department. They are expected to participate in and promote extra-curricular activities in sport. Sports scholars are ambassadors for sport in and out of lessons and should show this through their effort and attainment in PE lessons and in broader participation beyond lessons. It is possible that a sports scholar can obtain a scholarship even if they choose not to take PE as an A Level option. However, the expectations to participate fully in the broader life of the subject remains and retention of the scholarship is dependent upon it.

Sports scholars should either be exceptional in any sport (which does not need to be part of the school's standard PE curriculum) or very good at a range of sports normally undertaken at Rookwood School.

At 16+, candidates should provide a portfolio of evidence, demonstrating their sporting success. This should include letters of recommendation from a coach or teacher. External candidates will also be interviewed and may be required to undertake a fitness assessment. The school reserves the right to interview/assess internal candidates (current Rookwood students).