

RAKAA Scholarship Discount Policy

RAKAA Scholarship AY 2023-2024 Statement:

RAKAA Board of Governors have approved the school to offer to new and existing students the opportunity to receive the prestigious RAKAA Scholarship 2023-2024 that pays for 50% of *tuition fees* for either academic excellence, sports prowess, or talent as a reciter of the Quran, technology designer, singer, artist, poet, web design, business entrepreneur, or any other identified and verified talent.

Purpose and scope of the policy :

Ras Al Khaimah American Academy is pleased to announce that we are opening a scholarship.

It is an opportunity for gifted and talented students from outside RAKAA and to our students. Our scholarship is open to students grade 4 and above in the following three categories: Academic, Sports, and Talent. We recognize the importance of providing quality education to deserving students, and we are committed to ensuring that financial barriers do not hinder access to education.

Therefore, we are pleased to welcome gifted and talented students, and currently, we are offering scholarships for students in the categories listed above.

Academic Scholarship: RAKAA offers scholarships to students who have consistently placed at the top of their class in all their subjects for at least the last three years. Academic Scholarships shall be awarded to candidates based on proven outstanding academic achievement and are subject to the student maintaining a high level of academic achievement.

Eligibility:

Academic Scholarship: Grades 1-12

GPA of 3.8 or above

1. Participated in Academic Competitions in/outside their school and placed (1st, 2nd, 3rd) in the event. (Evidence required from current school.)
2. Exhibited Leadership Skills as part of school activities. (Evidence required from current school.)
3. Involved in extracurricular activities. (Evidence required from current school.)
4. Record of Good Conduct. (Evidence required from current school.)
5. Gifted/Talented, need a Letter from SHK Hamdan Center of Excellence Programs. (As evidence of G/T)
6. Letter of reference from Registrar/Principal from candidate's present school that includes GPA, National Agenda Test Scores: MAP, TIMMS, iBT (Arabic), PISA, PIRLS (Evidence required from current school.)
7. Letters of recommendation from three teachers/administrators (From current school)
8. Successfully pass the RAKAA MAP Screening test for Grade level for Math, Science, English (RAKAA Pre-Registration)

9. Write a letter of application to the RAKAA Scholarship Committee explaining why they would be a good candidate for the RAKAA Scholarship.
10. Interview with a member of the RAKAA Senior Leadership Team to assess student's commitment and ability to express himself/herself.

Sports Scholarship: Grades 6-12

Above requirements for Academic (points 4,5,6,7,8,9) PLUS

1. GPA of 3.0 or above
2. Participated in Sports Competitions in/outside their school and placed (1st, 2nd, 3rd) in the event. (Evidence required from current school or external sporting event/s.)
3. Evidence of representing school and receiving honors/awards/placement in sports competitions such as: football, karate, swimming, ballet, gymnastics, track, padel tennis, tennis, table tennis, basketball, volleyball...etc. (Evidence required from current school.)
4. Interview with the Athletic Director/Head of Sports at RAKAA/Head of PE to assess student's commitment and athletic ability.

Talent Scholarships: Grades 6-12

Above requirements for Academic (points 4,5,6,7,8,9) PLUS

1. GPA of 3.0 or above
2. Participated in Talent Competitions in/outside their school and placed (1st, 2nd, 3rd) in the event. (Evidence required from current school or external talent contest/events.)
3. Evidence of representing school and receiving honors/awards/placement in Talent Competitions such as: reciter of the Quran, technology designer, singer, artist, poet, web design, business entrepreneur, or any other identified and verified talent. (Evidence required from current school.)
4. Interview with a member of the Talent Committee to assess a student's commitment and talent they possess.
Above requirements (points 4,5,6,7,8,9)

Application Process:

Be creative in filling out the RAKAA Scholarship Application, attaching the student's resume of accomplishments, and the required evidence/documents.

Students who meet the eligibility criteria must apply to the scholarship committee. The application must include the following documents:

- Transcript of academic records.
- Student Behavior Report from Al Manhal System for their current school
- Results of National Agenda standardized tests. (MAP, iBT, PISA, TIMMS, PIRLS)
- Student Resume outlining extracurricular activities, including leadership roles.
- Personal statement explaining why the applicant deserves the scholarship discount.
- Three letters of recommendation from academic or community leaders.

- The scholarship committee will review all applications and select the most deserving candidates.

Send complete RAKAA Scholarship application and requirements via email to: RAKAA

Scholarship Renewal:

The scholarship discount will be renewed yearly, provided that the student maintains their outstanding academic performance and good conduct (as in the requirements above

We believe this scholarship opportunity will provide deserving students with access to quality education and opportunities to achieve their academic and personal goals.

Discount Exclusions

The following categories of Fees are ineligible under this policy:

- Entrance exam fees.
- External Exam fees.
- Technology and Resource fees.
- Book fees.
- Transportation fees.
- School Meals fees.
- Registration fees.
- School Uniform fees.

RAKAA Scholarship application and supporting documents will be sent to: scholarship@rakaa.org

The RAKAA Scholarship Committee will review all applicants and call for an interview all who meet the above mentioned criteria.

Policy Review:

This policy will be reviewed bi-annually.

Approved by:

RAKAA School Board on: _____

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