

Promise Scholars Program Guidelines

The Promise Foundation International Inc. announces The Promise Foundation Scholars Program. Under the Promise Scholars Program, students will be awarded tuition assistance to attend high schools, colleges and universities within Belize, Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago, Barbados and Nigeria. The level of education being funded by the award is dependent on the country within which the student resides and is determined at the discretion of the Board of Directors, which is comprised of minority women hailing from a variety of countries.

Available Tuition Assistance:

Belize City, Belize: **Two** scholarship awards for school fees and books for students accepted to St. Catherine's Academy, Pallotti High School or St. John's College.

Kingston, Jamaica: **Five** scholarship awards for tuition and books for students in 1st to 4th form attending Meadowbrook High School.

Nigeria: **One** tuition and books scholarship award for a student of an eligible high school of Nigeria

Trinidad & Tobago: Up to 1 - \$1,000 US tuition award for students enrolled in college or university level STEM programs.

Barbados: Up to 1 - \$1000 US tuition awards for students enrolled in college or university level STEM programs.

Program Guidelines & Priorities:

- * Seeking high school school students of Jamaica, Belize & Nigeria and college /university level students of Barbados and Trinidad & Tobago with a record of high academic achievement, volunteerism in the community in non-school sponsored activities , participation in extracurricular school activities and interests in the fields of STEM and education.
- * Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0/Three (3) CAPE subject passes, a total single parent/family annual income under \$20,000/\$40,000 US dollars.
- * Tuition Assistance funds will be paid prior to the start of the semester of the student's academic year directly to the high school or college and not to the student.
- * Applicants must have the endorsement of their school representative on their application attesting they are a qualified fit for this program. The Promise Foundation International strongly suggests that each high school present this opportunity to the strongest applicants that match this program's guidelines. Application deadline is June 7th by 4:00 p.m. to be received by the Foundation.



Late applications will not be accepted.

E-mail one copy of a completed typed or clearly printed application package by June 7th at 4pm to:
promisefoundationintl@gmail.com

Checklist

- ___ (1) Completed Application Form
- ___ (2) Essay
- ___ (3) Principal signature
- ___ (4) School Transcript
- ___ (5) Signed Statement of Accuracy
- ___ (6) Signed Student Scholarship Requirement Form
- ___ (7) Signed Social Media Release Form

The applications will be reviewed and recipients selected by the Board of Directors for interview will be announced on August 5th with final announcement of recipients of scholarships made on August 16th.

Applications may be downloaded from the Promise Foundation International, Inc website at thepromiseinspired.org, by clicking on the tab “Get Involved” on a desktop version of the site.

Please submit any questions to promisefoundationintl@gmail.com



(1) **PROMISE SCHOLAR APPLICATION**

Please type your answers or print clearly.		
Last Name:		
First Name:		
Mailing Address		
Street:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Daytime Telephone Number:		
WhatsApp Number:		
Email Address:		
Date of Birth: Month	Day	Year
Present Age:	Gender:	
T-shirt Size:		
Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale)		
Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent school transcript is required.		
Are you the first person in your family to go to college: YES ___ NO ___		
Are you the first person in your family to go to high school: YES ___ NO ___		
GRADE or FORM in SCHOOL at time Scholarship Begins:		
Name and location of elementary school or high school attending as applicable:		
List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school:		

List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities:		
Long -term Career Aspirations:		
List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:		
For International applicants list Family Gross Annual Income: \$ _____		
Please attach proof of this income to your application.		
Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s):		
(Include address if different than your own listed in Question 2.)		
Name(s):		
Street:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Parent Email:		
Primary Phone:		Work phone:



(2) ESSAY REQUIREMENT:

On a separate sheet please type an essay (500 words) answering the questions below:

Describe how volunteer or community service has shaped who you are today and what community service has taught you. Also, discuss in your essay any challenges or obstacles you have dealt with and overcome in life and how this will help you succeed in college and beyond. Finally, discuss what you would like changed the most about the community in which you live and how you hope and plan to create change about this problem.



(3) STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY PRINCIPAL

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by the Promise Scholar Program and that I support this application to the Promise Foundation International.

Name and Position/Title of School Representative supporting the application:

High School: _____

Contact information (email and phone): _____

Signature of Principal/ School Representative : _____

Date: _____



(4) Attach School Transcript to Your Application Package

(5) STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner my picture or video may be used to promote the Promise Scholars Program. (Winner may waive social media participation due to unusual or compelling circumstances upon completion of the Social Media Release Form)

I hereby understand that if chosen as a Promise Scholar, I must be present at any potential awards ceremony, surprise, or reception to receive my scholarship award.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a Promise Scholar, it is my responsibility to remit to the Foundation the appropriate information for my scholarship to be paid directly to my educational institution.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered.

Signature of Promise Scholar applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian of applicant: _____ **Date:** _____



(6) Student Requirements to Maintain Scholarship For the Academic Year

- Maintain at least a B (3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale) average per semester.
- Participate in all Promise Foundation Book Club sessions. Attendance is recorded. Only acceptable excuses are considered if provided before the book club session.
- Participate in at least once monthly mentorship session with assigned mentor for the school year.
- Maintain satisfactory behavior per school standard and regulations.
- Participate in at least one community development project per year, provide an essay and additional supporting evidence outlining your experience and the lessons you learned. eg. Volunteering at a community facility such as hospital, nursing home, child care center etc

Sign below if you agree to complete the above requirements if you are awarded this scholarship :

Signature of Promise Scholar applicant: _____ **Date:** _____



(7) SOCIAL MEDIA RELEASE FORM

I, [Student Name if 18 yo or older / Parent/Guardian if less than 18 yo] _____, hereby grant to the Promise Foundation International , their successors, and their assignees the right to record the image and/or voice and use the artwork and/ or written work of myself or my child, [student name] _____ , on videotape, on film, on photographs, in digital media and in any other form of electronic or print medium and to edit such recording at their discretion.

I understand that my child's full name, address and biographical information will not be made public. I further grant The Promise Foundation International, their successors, and their assignees the right to use, and to allow others to use, my image (if over 18yo) or my child's image and/or voice on the internet, in brochures, and in any other medium and hereby consent to such use.

I hereby release The Promise Foundation International, their successors, and their assignees and any using my (if over 18yo) or my child's image and/or voice, artwork, and/or written work pursuant to this media release form any and all claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses which I or my child now have or may hereafter have by reason of any use thereof. I understand that the provisions of this release are legally binding.

Please check one: I consent. ___ I do not consent. ___

Print Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student' Name: _____

Student's Signature : _____

Student's School in Fall of this year: _____

Student's Class Level in Fall of this year: _____



