

REDBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

SCHOOL YEAR 2025/2026

1. PURPOSE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

Since its founding, **Redbridge International School** has grown alongside our students and families, evolving into a vibrant, diverse, and pluricultural community. With the expansion of our academic programmes and facilities across two campuses - Campo de Ourique and Tapada da Ajuda - we are now able to foster an even more inclusive learning environment that values diverse talents, enriching the educational experience for all.

In alignment with our commitment to inclusivity and excellence, we are proud to launch the **Redbridge Scholarship Programme for Secondary School** (hereinafter referred to as the “Scholarship”).

This initiative is designed to support secondary school students from diverse backgrounds who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement, a positive attitude towards learning, a strong desire to pursue an international education, and a proven financial need.

The Scholarship reinforces Redbridge's commitment to nurturing intrinsically motivated students who exemplify the values of perseverance, curiosity, and dedication while contributing positively to our diverse school community. By recognizing and rewarding talent and commitment, the Scholarship fosters an inclusive environment where every student has the opportunity to thrive and reach their full potential.

2. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To qualify for the Scholarship, candidates must meet the following criteria:

- I. **School grade levels:** the scholarship is available to students applying for the following grade levels for the 2025/2026 school year:
 - o **Cambridge International Programme, leading to the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB DP):** Year 8 to Year 11
 - o **French / English Programme, leading to Bac Français International (BFI):** 6^{ème} to 1^{ère}
- II. **Eligibility:** The Scholarship Programme for Secondary School is exclusively available to new students. Current Redbridge International School students are eligible to apply for the general scholarship programme which is open to all grade levels.

- III. **Academic performance:** Candidates must show consistent and strong academic achievement, reflected in solid overall results from the current school year and the two preceding years.
- IV. **Language proficiency:** Applicants must demonstrate language proficiency in the instructional language, in accordance with the criteria outlined in [Redbridge's Admissions, Enrolment, and Tuition Fees Policy](#).
- V. **Financial need:** the scholarship will also take into account the proven need for financial support of the candidate. Guardians are required to provide evidence of their financial situation, including tax returns and other relevant documentation, to ensure that the scholarship effectively supports students from diverse economic backgrounds.

3. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS

The Scholarship provides a reduction in school administrative and tuition fees, ranging from 10% to 100%.

Different discount levels within this range may apply to the following fees:

- Enrolment Fee
- Annual Administration and Resources Fee
- School Tuition Fees

With the approval of the School Board of Directors, expenses related to some After School Club activities and school trips may also be covered by the Scholarship.

The Scholarship is granted for one academic year, with renewal contingent upon the conditions outlined in Article 6, "Scholarship Renewal."

4. APPLICATION PROCESS

1. **Application Form:** Candidates must complete the standard Application Form which is an integral part of the school's admissions process.
2. **Supporting documents:** Application to the Scholarship must include:
 - **A teacher reference letter** highlighting the student's profile, including their academic performance, classroom engagement, and overall contributions to the school community.
 - **School reports** from the current academic year and the last two years. If attendance records are not reflected in the school reports, they should be submitted separately;
 - A **personal motivation letter** from the candidate that should articulate their academic aspirations, highlight their involvement in extracurricular activities, and explain the desire to join Redbridge International School.
 - A **formal letter from the candidate's guardian(s)** that should include the following points:
 - i. The purpose for the application and the reasons for seeking the Scholarship;
 - ii. The specific level of support requested;
 - iii. An explanation of how a Redbridge education would positively impact their child's development and academic journey;
 - **Additional documentation**

- i. Tax returns of the past 3 financial years;
- ii. Property holding declaration;
- iii. Any other official documentation which might support the request;
- iv. Sworn statement confirming the truth of the information provided.

2.1 The Application Form must be submitted in English. All other required documents listed above may be provided in English, French or Portuguese.

2.2 The application to the Scholarship programme will be deemed valid only once the Application Form has been fully completed and all required documents have been submitted online.

3. **Application deadline:** the application must be submitted by **February 1st** (first committee) or **May 1st** (second committee).
4. **Assessments:** Candidates will be assessed in Mathematics and English to ensure their ability to engage fully with the Programme. Additionally, candidates interested in the French/English Pathway may also be assessed in French;
5. **Family and Candidates Interview:** Short-listed candidates will be invited to an interview with the Redbridge Head of Programme to assess their suitability for the Programme and commitment to their studies.

5. SELECTION PROCESS & DECISION NOTIFICATION

- The Board of Directors will review all applications based on a combination of criteria, including academic performance, the quality of the personal motivational statement, letters of recommendation, the candidate's suitability for the Programme, as well as financial need.
- Priority will be given to students who demonstrate strong academic performance, a commitment to community service, leadership, and active involvement in extracurricular activities.
- The number of scholarships awarded each year will be based on available funding and the quality of the applicants.
- Candidates will be notified of the scholarship decision by 27th of Feb (first Committee) and May 31st (second committee).

6. SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL

Scholarships are awarded for one academic year and will be renewed, provided the student continues to meet all the following conditions:

- **Strong academic performance:** The student must maintain solid academic results and good standing at Redbridge International School.
- **Good conduct:** The student must adhere to the school's code of conduct and maintain a positive attitude toward both academic and extracurricular responsibilities.
- **Participation:** Students are encouraged to actively participate in school activities and demonstrate a commitment to the Redbridge community.

- **Financial need:** Continued eligibility for the scholarship requires that the family's financial situation remains in need of assistance, as evidenced by updated relevant financial documentation provided each year to the committee.

The school will communicate the renewal of the scholarship annually in writing, detailing the updated terms and confirming its continuation for the next academic year.

7. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Scholarship recipients are expected to act as role models within the school community and uphold Redbridge's values and principles.
- The Scholarship is awarded for the purpose of covering the school's administrative and tuition fees and cannot be transferred or exchanged for cash.
- Scholarships are subject to the availability of funds and may be discontinued if the student fails to meet the renewal criteria.
- The Scholarship will be reviewed and/or withdrawn if the student's conduct, on or off campus, indicates that they are consistently out of sympathy with the mission, commitments, outcomes (ethos and values), and Programme of the School, or they are failing one or more academic courses. The student and their family will be notified if the Scholarship is under review and all reasonable efforts to support the student and maintain the Scholarship will be attempted before withdrawing the Scholarship for the following academic year.
- Redbridge International School reserves the right to amend the present Regulation at any time.

8. CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information or any inquiries related to the Scholarship Programme for Secondary School, please contact the Redbridge International School Admissions Office at admissions@redbridgeschool.com or visit our website www.redbridgeschool.com.

This Regulation is effective from **January 1st, 2025**, and applies to all scholarship applications for the 2025/2026 academic school year.