



About the AISL Merit-Based Scholarship

The American International School of Lusaka's (AISL) Merit-Based Scholarship Programme is designed to provide highly capable and motivated Zambian girls and boys with an opportunity to attend the High School at AISL and earn an American High School Diploma, as well as pursue the prestigious International Baccalaureate Middle Years and Diploma Programmes, which lead to university admission.

AISL Merit-Scholars will be expected to perform at a very high level academically and to participate in a comprehensive extra-curricular programme.

AISL will provide Merit-Scholars with full AISL tuition fees, school supplies including an iPad/laptop and home Internet bundle, transport to and from school, all examination and university application fees, university and scholarship guidance, and opportunities to participate in fully-funded school-sponsored trips* within Zambia and overseas.

The scholarship does not include boarding, housing, or financial assistance after leaving the school or financing beyond that stipulated in the scholarship contract.

Additional information about AISL can be found at www.aislusaka.org.

Website: www.aislusaka.org
Email: scholarship@aislusaka.org
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How Can I Become an AISL Merit-Scholar?

AISL expects to offer two scholarship places for outstanding students to join the High School in August 2021.

To qualify for the scholarship, you must be:

- a Zambian citizen;
- an outstanding student who is expecting to achieve excellent results on the Gr. 9 Junior Secondary School Leaving Examinations (JSSLE) or equivalent;
- able to show evidence of leadership and a commitment to the arts, sports, and/or community service;
- a resident of Lusaka or have a home in which to reside in Lusaka;
- born between 1 August 2006 - 31 July 2007.

Come and join our diverse and dynamic school community!

*Dependent upon the status of the current pandemic.



AISL: An IB World School Secondary School

How to Apply

Applicants will be expected to complete and submit the AISL Merit-Based Scholarship Application forms, assignments, and requested documentation and send all completed applications to the AISL Admissions Office by Monday, 8 February 2021.

A complete application will consist of all of the following:

- Completed Application Form (signed by applicant and parent/guardian);
- Copy of the child’s birth certificate or passport;
- Gr. 9 Junior Secondary School Leaving Examinations (JSSLE) results or equivalent (if taken);
- Most recent school report;
- Four completed Recommendation Forms;
- Completed Writing Assignment;
- Completed Mathematics Assignment.

Completed applications can be hand-delivered to the Admissions Office at the American International School of Lusaka, or emailed to scholarship@aislusaka.org.

Interested Applicants

- Attend [the Virtual Open Day](#) on Wednesday, 16 December 2020 (10:00 - 14:00) by clicking on the following link: www.aislusaka.org/merit-scholars-open-day
- Pick up an application packet from the AISL Secondary School Gate or download an application packet from www.aislusaka.org
- Complete and submit all admission requirements by Monday, 8 February 2021.
- For more information contact scholarship@aislusaka.org, Phone/WhatsApp 0973 937 629



Application Process

Deadline	Activity
16 December 2020	Attend the scholarship Virtual Open Day (10:00 - 14:00): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • www.aislusaka.org/merit-scholars-open-day
8 February 2021	Completed application and documents must be submitted to the AISL Admissions Office.
1 March 2021	Shortlisted candidates will be invited to the AISL campus* to complete the following assessments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Mathematics</u> - testing mathematical skills and problem-solving • <u>English</u> - testing reading comprehension, language skills, and writing skills • <u>Presentation skills</u> - assessing communication, thinking skills, and motivation
March 2021	Committee review applications based upon internal qualifying criteria.
April/May 2021	Semi-finalists selected and home visits conducted*.
May/June 2021	Finalist candidates will be invited to interview with the Scholarship Selection Committee. The purpose of the interview is to show parents/guardians and student a full picture of the school and its programmes, to understand what the candidate will be able to contribute to AISL, and learn about their short-term and long-term goals. Parents/guardians will be asked to participate in interviews as well.
June 2021	AISL expects to offer scholarships to two students to begin at the school in August 2021.



100% of students applying for 2020 entry are attending university



95% accepted to their 'first-choice' university



94% enrolled in a Bachelor degree awarding university



All AISL Merit Scholar Graduates attending universities



34% of 2020 applicants awarded scholarships



16 Merit-Scholars at AISL 2013-2020



63% of graduated Merit-Scholars have fully funded scholarships to US Universities



\$1.7 million in university scholarships in 2020