

The American International School of Monrovia

Pilot Scholarship Program for 2019 - 2020 Grades 6 - 10

Introduction

The American International School of Monrovia is a fully accredited, independent, co-educational, nonsectarian day school established in 2007 on the historic school site of the American Cooperative School, which closed due to civil unrest in 1990.

The school has enjoyed the unwavering support of our entire stakeholder community over the past 11 years. With U.S. accreditation awarded in December 2016, the stage is now set for an even more successful decade of growth and progress for AISM.

Mission

The American International School of Monrovia's mission is to offer a challenging curriculum designed to meet or exceed U.S. standards, while enabling the student body to achieve their full social, intellectual, emotional, and physical potential. Our intellectual community teaches values and good manners, is dedicated to academic excellence, demands responsibility, and promotes the power of collaboration, creativity, and critical thinking.

Philosophy

The American International School of Monrovia is committed to providing a high-quality English language education, rooted in an American-oriented curriculum for students from a wide range of nationalities and cultural backgrounds, within the city of Monrovia, Liberia.

The school pledges to maintain educational excellence and, in order to reach this goal, will:

- *Provide a safe, nurturing and friendly environment for all students*
- *Recognize the uniqueness and worth of each child*
- *Teach the information, skills and processes that prepare students to function effectively in a rapidly changing world*
- *Encourage students and cultivate in them an inquisitive nature as well as the love of learning so that both become life-long activities*
- *Teach students the methods and disciplines necessary to be able to utilize effective study habits for the rest of their lives*
- *Provide instructional programs that stimulate and challenge students, providing for their present and future needs, while consistently stretching the limits of their abilities*
- *Help and encourage students to develop personal values, which enable them to be responsible members of society and as such to make their own decisions as informed individuals*

- *Impart an understanding of the complexity and interdependence of people, cultures and the environment*
- *Take advantage of the cultural diversity within the school and the community*
- *Make full use of the opportunities and resources available to the school in any country*
- *Be aware of the often transient nature of our pupils and prepare them to transfer successfully to any other of similar level and quality educational institution*
- *Encourage and recognize the importance of cooperation and communication between home and school.*

Application Terms, Conditions and Procedures

Half-tuition scholarships are available for students who:

- are legal residents of Liberia
- were born between October 1, 2008 and October 1, 2004 (or otherwise demonstrate eligible grade level status)
- would be financially unable to attend AISM if the scholarship was not available;
- have a GPA of 3.5 or higher at their present schools.
- are proficient in Mathematics and English, and are at Grade Level during MAP entrance exams.
- successfully complete the testing and interview processes.

Application Procedure and Timeline

<p>1. Completed application form submitted to the AISM main office. Application packages, including forms, photos, and passport copy must be submitted via email to administration@aismonrovia.com. Please note applications will not be accepted in person, only electronically.</p>	<p>Saturday, May 25, 2019. 4:00 pm</p>
<p>2. First round of testing at AISM. Open to all eligible applicants. Plan to participate in a variety of written and online tests, including English, Math. Allow approximately three/four hours for testing.</p>	<p>Saturday, June 1 2019 8:30 a.m.</p>
<p>3. Second round of testing at AISM for short-listed candidates only. A variety of tests and activities that will take approximately two / three hours.</p>	<p>Saturday, June 8, 2019 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm</p>

4. Third round of testing for short-listed candidates only.

A collaborative, group problem-solving task conducted at AISM. The exact time of your session will be communicated to you in advance.

Saturday, June 15, 2019

TBA

4. Personal interview for shortlisted candidates only.

Allow approximately 1 hour for an interview with members of the AISM Scholarship Committee. Short-listed candidates will be contacted about the time of this interview. The date of interviews will be posted during testing.

June, 2019

(by appointment)

*Scholarship decisions are **provisional** and may be changed after the receipt of all records from previous schools, financial circumstances documents (See Attached), classroom evaluation, and receipt of balance of financial obligations. Scholarships can be applied for only on an annual basis. The student must reapply each year, with good citizenship and strong academic performance considered for future scholarships.*

Attached: Documentation of Identification and Financial Circumstances:

- *Copy of student's birth certificate*
- *Copies of passport photo page or some other form of national identification for both the student and his/her parent(s)*
- *Letter of good conduct from your school*
- *Bank Statements for 24 months (personal and business accounts)*
- *Employment information (letter for employment starting salary and duration of employment)*
- *Salary Slips (6 most recent)*
- *Background check for both parents (e.g., LNP Clearance)*

Please note: This information will be used exclusively by the scholarship committee for the sole purpose of reviewing eligibility for scholarships. The information will be protected from disclosure outside of this purpose. Further, while the applicant's family may opt to not discuss their financial situation and provide requested documentation, the absence or non-submission of such statement or any related documents requested may affect a full evaluation of this application.

