



LEVERHULME CENTENARY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:

Dear Upper Sixth Member

In honour of the Centenary of the School, we were delighted to announce the establishment of the Leverhulme Centenary Scholarship Award. In continuation of that scheme, we propose to award four such Scholarships in 2019 across the two Divisions.

The purpose of the Leverhulme Scholarship Award is to provide financial support over a period of three years for university for a Bolton School pupil who:

- a. has achieved a high measure of success in his/her A2 examinations (at least AAA*);
- b. is planning to attend a University in the United Kingdom;
- c. requires financial support to meet the costs of a University course.

A Selection Board will meet following the publication of the A Level results to interview candidates who have fulfilled the examination criteria and who have submitted an application for the award. In subsequent years, the Selection Board will also assess the progress and continuing eligibility of the current Leverhulme Centenary Scholars.

Recipients of the Award will receive three annual instalments of £5,000, paid directly to them every October, beginning in October 2019. To receive these funds, the award-holder will be required to provide evidence to Bolton School that (s)he is enrolled and undertaking a university degree course in the given year. Payment will not be made otherwise.

The process for selecting the Award will take place as follows:

- Applicants for the Award should complete the attached form and submit it **in hard copy format** to Miss Hannah Caulfield, Headmistress's PA **by 4.00 p.m. on Thursday, 22nd August** (one week after the release of the A2 results). Applications should be left for her at the main Reception. Submissions made after this date will not be considered.
- Having read the application forms and studied the applicants' Sixth Form reports and final A Level grades, the Headmistress and Headmaster will invite as many of the applicants as they consider appropriate to attend an interview panel, which they will chair, between 29th August and 13th September. (Candidates should indicate on their application form if there are any dates when they would not be available for interview during this period).
- The decision about the recipients of the Award will be conveyed to the successful applicant before the end of September. The third and fourth place candidates in each Division (if appropriate) will be notified of their position in the rank order, so that an appropriate alternative recipient is in place, in case the Award-holder(s) is/are forced to rescind the Award for one of the reasons below.

Please note the following:

- The award holder should *either* currently be in receipt of a Bolton School Bursary *or* should be from a family whose current income would entitle them to a Bolton School Bursary, had they applied for one. For those candidates who are not already in receipt of a Bursary, it will be necessary for parental income to be assessed as the School would do when deciding whether or not to award a Bursary. This will require the submission of an FG1 Form with details of the household's financial situation, alongside various supporting documentation such as payslips, P60's, tax returns and company accounts where relevant. Other documents may also be requested to support the assessment and parents may be asked to attend an interview with the Clerk & Treasurer. Eligibility for an award this year will be restricted to pupils whose assessable household income in the 2018/19 tax year was less than £79,960. Assessed income includes all sources of income and is adjusted downwards by £2,000 for each dependant sibling. If you wish to request more information about this process and the FG1 form, please contact the Clerk & Treasurer who will be happy to carry out the financial assessment for you at an early date. In any event, her final assessment of financial eligibility must have been completed prior to 31st August when the interview process will start.
- If the chosen award holder decides not to take her place at University in 2019 or in any subsequent year, the award will be rescinded and a new recipient found.
- If the award holder leaves university voluntarily, part-way through his/her degree, the award will from hereon after be rescinded. A new recipient will be found who meets the criteria listed above, for the remainder of the Scholarship funding.
- If the award holder is forced to defer study part-way through her degree, due to unforeseen circumstances e.g. ill health, the award will be put on hold **for a maximum of two years** and reactivated by Bolton School on receipt of evidence that she/he has returned to University.
- The Clerk and Treasurer of Bolton School will be responsible for managing and disbursing the Leverhulme Centenary Scholarship Award throughout its duration.
- Bolton School will update the donor with details about the award holder once the award has been made and will provide progress updates about her/him every year until his/ her degree is completed.

The Headmistress & the Headmaster

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Name of applicant:

Qualifications Achieved, including any achieved outside of Bolton School:

Level of Qualification, Eg 'GCSE' or 'AS'	Name of Qualification, Eg 'English Literature'	Date taken Eg 'Summer 2019'	Grade achieved Eg 'A*'

University Offer(s) Received and Accepted:

Name of Institution	Name of Course	Required grades (or state 'unconditional' if no grades are required)

Please outline below *in no more than 200 words* why you have chosen to study this degree course

Please outline below the relevant preparatory work/ study which you have undertaken prior to embarking on this degree course

Please indicate below *in no more than 300 words* any further information which you wish to provide in support of your application

Please confirm that you are available for interview in the period outlined above: Yes/ No

Please confirm that you are financially eligible for this Scholarship Award: Yes/ No

(i.e. assessable household income in the 2018/19 tax year was less than £79,960.)