Scholarship Opportunity at International School Manila! For School Year 2025-2026

QUALIFICATIONS:

- > Filipino Citizenship (dual citizens are not eligible)
- > 13 years of age by September 1, 2025 and will have completed Grade 7
- Must demonstrate financial need
- No grades below 85% in all subject areas
- > Excellent command of oral and written English

Deadline for submission of completed forms is JANUARY 6, 2025 at 4PM

SUBMISSION OPTIONS: Late submissions will not be accepted.

- Submit online to mscounseling@ismanila.org OR
- Submit directly* to the MS Counseling Office at International School Manila, University Parkway, Fort Bonifacio, Global City, Taguig
 - For more information please contact Ms. Nichole Reyes at the Middle School Counseling Office: 8840.8555 / 8840.8550 / 8840.8553

Announcing a Scholarship Opportunity

International School Manila, located at Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City, was founded in 1920. The paramount aim of the school is to provide the highest possible standards of education to prepare children for entrance into colleges or universities throughout the world, and to develop the best intellectual qualities of each individual student. The school is organized into three divisions – a seven grade level Elementary School, a four grade Middle School, and a four-year High School. At present, the student body represents over eighty nations including the Philippines.

For the school year 2025-2026, International School Manila will make available scholarships to students of Filipino citizenship who will be thirteen years of age on or before September 01, 2025 and have completed the equivalent of IS Manila's Grade 7. The awardees shall enroll in Grade 8 and continue until they finish Grade 12.

Nature of Scholarship

- The scholarships are available to students entering Grade 8 in the International School Manila.
- The need-based scholarships will include fees such as tuition fee, matriculation fee, and book rental. A participation fee may be required from the parents to cover a portion of the school fees.
- The scholarships may be enjoyed for five years provided the awardees maintain the appropriate scholastic level and abide by the school rules and regulations set by the Philippine Scholarship Committee.

Who May Qualify for the Scholarship?

 The awards are open to students of Filipino citizenship who have completed their 7th grade (Grades 1-7) of school and who will be thirteen of age by September 01, 2025.

- The candidate must have demonstrated high academic achievement (no grade lower than 85% or its equivalent in any subject). Candidates must submit a copy of their report cards, school records/transcript from Grade 1 to current grade level with completed application forms.
- The candidate must demonstrate financial need. (Please see <u>Financial Requirement Letter</u>.)
- The candidate must meet all regular ISM entrance requirements.
- The candidate must have an excellent command of oral and written English.
- The candidate must possess high personal standards and be in good health.
- Only one sibling per family shall be considered for the scholarship program.
- Dual citizens are not eligible for the scholarship program.

*Please note that school year 2025-2026 at International School Manila begins in August 2025.

Selection of Awardee

After reviewing applications, successful candidates will be requested to attend an assessment day on Saturday, February 1, 2025. Parents and candidates will be welcomed in the Amelita Martinez Ramos (AMR) Hall of International School Manila before candidates are ushered to the Library for assessments and team building activities. Student candidates will be required to complete a series of tests in reading, writing and mathematics, and take part in collaborative activities for the selection committee to get a better understanding of each student's strengths and challenges. The day will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will conclude at approximately 3:00 p.m. We will begin with a meeting for parents and students at 8:00 a.m. so plan to arrive before 8:00 a.m. for attendance checking. Morning snacks and lunch will be provided for the candidates.

Based on the overall application and the results of the assessment day, a group of candidates will be selected to continue in the search process. This will include a scheduled "home-visit" during the week of <u>March 10-14, 2025</u>, along with a panel interview of individual candidates which will take place the week of <u>March 24-26, 2025</u> in the Middle School conference room.

Based on all of the information and the final interview, a decision will be made on which students will be awarded the ISM scholarships.

Responsibilities of the Awardee and Parent(s) or Guardian

- The awardees must indicate acceptance within one week after notification of the scholarship grant.
- 2. The parents or guardian of the awardees shall provide for all other needs of the student outside of those stipulated in the scholarship grant including lunches, school uniforms, and other related school activities and trips.
- 3. The awardees shall complete the High School course at International School Manila unless the award is terminated earlier due to poor academic performance or behavior problems.
- 4. The awardees shall observe all rules and regulations of International School Manila.
- 5. To maintain their awards, the awardees shall maintain a level of scholastic achievement set by the Philippine Scholarship Committee.
- 6. A yearly evaluation will be made by the Philippine Scholarship Committee on each awardee to determine if he or she is still qualified to continue in the scholarship program for the following year and/or the financial need of the family.

NOTE: The students must be fully committed to attend International School Manila for a period of five years (Grades 8 – 12).

The Competitive Examination Includes:

- 1. English Assessment
- 2. Math Assessment

Date and Place of Examination

Saturday, February 1, 2025 8:00AM to 3:00PM ISM Campus

Candidates selected for interview will be appraised on the following:

- 1. Spoken English
- 2. Personality
- 3. Interests
- 4. Attitude

Interview Days will be on March 24-26.

Forms

- 1. <u>Application File Checklist</u>
- 2. Application Form (PDF Fillable Form)
- 3. <u>Financial Requirement</u>
- 4. Principal's Appraisal (PDF Fillable Form)

*Report Cards/ Transcripts (Applicants must submit a copy of their report cards, school records/transcript from Grade 1 to current grade level with completed application forms.)

Philippine Scholarship Application Checklist

Below is the list of documents you will need to submit to complete your child's Philippine Scholarship Application. It is only when we have received the complete file that your child may be considered for evaluation.

| Deadline for submission is on <u>Monday, January 6, 2025 by 4PM</u> . | |
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| | <u>Application Form</u> |
| | Report Cards / School Records / Transcript (Grade 1 to current grade level) |
| | <u>Financial Requirement</u> |
| | Copy of Income Tax Return of parents showing ALL sources of income |
| | Bank Statements for the last 6 months or a Bank Certification stating: current balance average daily balance for the last 6 months |
| | Financial obligations showing monthly payments on loans, mortgages and other debts (including other educational payments for other children). |
| | Current certificate of employment stating: Designation or position in the company Annual salary Benefits accruing to the parent/s |
| | Copy of land and house titles/certificate of registration |
| | Copy of house rental agreement showing monthly payment, if applicable |
| | Copy of car(s) certificate of registration |
| | Copy of latest billing statement of school fees of the student/applicant |
| | Photocopy of all passport pages to indicate travels of the student/applicant and parent(s) |
| | Names and relatives studying / studied at International School Manila, if applicable. |
| | <u>Principal's Appraisal</u> |

All forms are linked above and available for download from the school website HERE.