



The John and Robin Doncaster Merit Scholarship

Selwyn School is a non-sectarian, college-preparatory, independent school serving pre-school through grade twelve students. A member of the National Association of Independent Schools, Selwyn provides the most thoroughly individualized, comprehensive, and developmentally appropriate array of student-focused experiences in North Texas. Our students grow into independent thinkers and creative problem solvers who are highly resilient, emotionally intelligent leaders prepared for effective citizenship in a global society.

Our mission is to cultivate global citizens who embrace complex challenges with empathetic and innovative thinking that advances the human condition. Our vision is to elevate the human experience by encouraging whole child development through high academic standards and age-appropriate challenges that foster creative problem-solving, emotional intelligence, and social responsibility from which world leaders emerge. In furtherance of this mission and vision and in its commitment to cultivating an intentionally inclusive community, Selwyn is proud to offer the John and Robin Doncaster Merit Scholarship. This full tuition scholarship is available to students of exceptional ability from diverse communities—including but not limited to those of race, color, culture, religion, creed, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. Available to one incoming upper school student each year, the John and Robin Doncaster Merit Scholarship intends to bring a richer diversity of voices and perspectives to Selwyn's campus, student, and family body, as the school nurtures truly global perspectives at North Texas' premier school of choice.

Eligibility:

This program is open to students entering 9th through 12th grades.

Application Information:

Applicants need to submit a regular application for admission along with an essay no longer than two pages on the following prompt: Describe how a person you know personally has taught you the value of inclusion in our society and how you have incorporated those lessons into your own life.

Submit the essay as a .doc or .pdf file with the subject line "Doncaster Scholarship Essay" to admissions@selwynschool.com.

Additionally, the scholarship committee will interview applicants. Once the student submits the application and essay, the committee will arrange the interview with select applicants. Selwyn School's Admissions Committee will select award recipients based on the merit of their academic accomplishments as well as the strength of their essay and interview. All final decisions will be made by the Head of School. No additional application is necessary.

Additional Application Requirements:

Consideration for the John and Robin Doncaster Merit Scholarship will be based on the entrance testing, academic, artistic, and other noteworthy abilities of the applicants, as well as their potential to contribute to Selwyn's mission of cultivating global citizens.

Due to the limited availability of funds, Selwyn School can offer awards only to the top applicant. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all required documents are filed with Selwyn by 5:00 p.m. on May 1. Applications completed after the deadline may not receive merit scholarship consideration.

Contact Selwyn School's Admissions Office for an application or visit selwynschool.org/apply to begin.

Deadline:

Complete the admissions process, including ISEE testing, essay submission, and scholarship interview by May 1. ISEE testing can be completed on Selwyn's campus. Award decisions will be announced on a rolling basis.

Award:

Full tuition for one year, automatically renewable for a maximum of four years, or eight semesters, or until the student receives a high school diploma, whichever comes first. Automatic scholarship renewal depends on the student remaining in good academic and disciplinary standing as determined by Head of School. Additional fees¹ are not included.

Contact Information:

Call Selwyn's Admissions Office at 940-382-6771, ext. 135, or email admissions@selwynschool.com for assistance.

¹ Fees include, but are not limited to, an application fee, new family fee, technology fee, uniform, lunch and extracurricular costs, and the cost of the annual Perspectives trip. Additionally, Selwyn invites all of its families to contribute to the Annual Fund and other fundraising efforts each year.