



2020/2021

## **I. PERSONAL INFORMATION**

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1. Your name as it appears in official documents:

2. Family name/surname:

3. Other Name(s):

4. Date of birth (*day/month/year*):

5. Gender:  female  male

6. Nationality:

7. Home Address:

Full street address:

Area/Locality:

District:

Region:

Contact Address (If Different than Home Address):

Telephone:

Email address:

Name of religious group (*Pentecost, Methodist etc.*):

8. Native language(s):

## **FAMILY INFORMATION**

(If you do not live with your parents, go to number 11)

*Check the box if Deceased*

9. Father's Name:

Father's Occupation:

Address of Father:

Telephone:

*Check the box if Deceased*

10. Mother's Name:

Mother's Occupation:

Address of Mother:

Telephone:

11. Name of Guardian

What is your relationship to this guardian?

Guardian's Occupation

Guardian's Current Address

Guardian's phone number

## **II. EDUCATION AND ACTIVITIES**

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12. Name of Senior High School:

Location and region of Senior High school

Contact Address of High School

Telephone Number

13. List any awards you have received:

14. List any volunteer or extra-curricular activities in which you have participated in the past four years:

### III. Essays

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- Describe your academic and career goals. How will your studies contribute to your future career? **(One Page)**
- The EPI Scholarship is designed for students who are gifted and from families of great financial need. Please attach an essay describing why you feel you qualify for this scholarship. **(Two Pages)**
- How do you expect, upon graduation that you will help in the future development of Ghana? **(One Page)**

**Applications must also include:**

- High School Transcripts (Terminal Reports)
- West African Senior School Certificate Exam Results (WASSCE)
- University Acceptance Letter
- Records regarding achievement tests, academic awards, honors, and substantive assessments by teachers, including letters of recommendation.

### IV. APPLICATION AGREEMENT

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Please sign and submit this page with your application

*I affirm that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of my statements made in this application and to the EPI staff are true and made in good faith.*

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*Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

*As a scholarships recipient, you will receive full support for your tuition, lodging, books and incidentals during your tertiary education. This is conditional on the following:*

- That you are not currently receiving support through any other scholarship program and pledge not accept any other scholarship while in the EPI program.
- That you maintain satisfactory academic progress with a minimum **B** average throughout your university program

- That, during non-school periods, you work in a company sponsored internship program or do community service within Ghana. This includes mentorship and guidance regarding the importance of education to the youth in your home community.
- That you keep EPI informed of your contact information and academic progress and to prepare required reports as may be requested
- That upon graduation, you work for a minimum of two years in Ghana
- That in the course of time, when and if possible, you consider contributing to EPI to help other needy students obtain their university education
- That you allow your name to be published in association with this program and any related sponsors

*I agree that if I am awarded and accept sponsorship from Educational Pathways International, I will adhere to the terms and conditions of this scholarship. I understand that if I fail to comply with any of these requirements or if I am dishonest with any portion of this application form, my sponsorship may be withdrawn and my payments terminated. I also agree, upon graduation, that I will incur the two-year service requirement.*

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*Signature*

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*Date*

Please note that all information provided in this application will be cross-checked with your university personal file. Any discrepancies will result in being removed from consideration for an EPI scholarship.

## **Selection Process**

The following selection criteria are used when considering candidates for the Educational Pathways International Program:

- Academic achievement and intelligence (including grades and achievement tests, academic awards and honors, substantive assessments by teachers, including letters of recommendation, as well as possession of a high number of characteristics outlined in the Educational Pathways International Gifted Children definition).
- Unmet financial need (limited family income and/or insufficient funds to cover most or all educational-related expenses)
- The will to succeed (determination, perseverance, and success in other pursuits)
- Submission of three essays describing why this individual feels he/she should be considered for the program and how upon graduation he/she will make a difference within his or her country of residence
- Acceptance in an accredited, approved institution of higher learning

## **Who is a Gifted Child?**

The gifted child is defined as one with exceptional promise, application, deportment, and character that exhibits high intellectual capacity, curiosity, academic aptitude, and creative ability. Some general characteristics include:

- Shows superior reasoning powers and marked ability to handle ideas; can generalize readily from specific facts and can see subtle relationships; has outstanding problem-solving ability.
- Shows persistent intellectual curiosity; asks searching questions; shows exceptional interest in the nature of man and the universe.
- Has a wide range of interests, often of an intellectual kind; develops one or more interests to a considerable depth.
- Is markedly superior in quality and quantity of written and/or spoken vocabulary; is interested in the subtleties of words and their uses.
- Reads and absorbs books well beyond his or her years.
- Learns quickly and easily and retains what is learned; recalls important details, concepts and principles.
- Shows insight into arithmetical problems that require careful reasoning and is able grasps mathematical concepts readily.
- Shows creative or imaginative ability
- Sustains concentration for lengthy periods and shows outstanding responsibility and independence in classroom work.
- Sets realistically high standards for self; is self-critical in evaluating and correcting his or her own efforts.
- Shows initiative and originality in intellectual work; shows flexibility in thinking and considers problems from a number of viewpoints.
- Observes keenly and is responsive to new ideas.
- Shows social poise and an ability to communicate with adults in a mature way.
- Gets excitement and pleasure from intellectual challenge; shows an alert and subtle sense of humor

## **PARENTS/GUARDIAN UNDERTAKING**

I hereby agree that if my child/ward is awarded sponsorship from Educational Pathways International, I will ensure that he/she adhere to the terms and conditions of this scholarship. I understand that if there is any dishonesty with any portion of this application form, the scholarship will be withdrawn and payments terminated.

I also agree that if my child/ward opt out of the scholarship programme, I will refund the full sponsorship money for that particular academic year to Educational Pathways International (EPI). Upon graduation, I will also ensure that my child/ward performs the two years' service requirements.

Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date