## Fall 2014 RISE Online Course Scholarship Application

IMSA actively seeks grants and gifts to support a scholarship program to provide educational enrichment experiences for students who might otherwise not be able to participate due to financial challenges. *Scholarship applicants must qualify or be currently participating in the free or reduced lunch program as defined by the Federal government to qualify for a scholarship.* IMSA offers scholarships that cover the program registration fee. The scholarship does not include incidental expenses incurred when doing activities required during the course. A \$25.00 processing fee will be applied after the scholarship is awarded. Applicants may apply for only one scholarship per student. Scholarships are only available for Illinois residents.

To be eligible for a scholarship the following items are required and must be *completed* and delivered, by July 31, 2014 to IMSA Extension Programs, 1500 Sullivan Rd, Aurora, IL 60506-1000 or Fax to (630) 907-5880:

- 1. The RISE Scholarship Application (this page)
- 2. A Student Essay (described on page 2)
- 3. Verification of Qualification for a Scholarship (page 2)
- 4. A RISE Student Applicant Information Form (no payment needed at this time)
- 5. A written/typed Teacher Recommendation

# Step 1: Complete the RISE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

<b>Program Selection for this Scholarship</b>	application:	Fall 2014 Section	of RISE
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Signature of Parent/Guardian Date				

#### Step 2: Complete the STUDENT ESSAY (attach to the application form)

Please write at least a paragraph addressing the following statement; it can be handwritten or typed:

Please explain how you became interested in math and/or science and why you think attending the RISE online course will help grow that interest.

#### Step 3: Provide VERIFICATION OF QUALIFICATION for a Scholarship

#### QUALIFICATION DOCUMENTATION FOR FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH

Please attach documentation that the student applying for the scholarship qualifies and/or participates in the Free or Reduced Lunch Program as articulated by the Federal government.

Examples of documentation: Signed verification on school letter head of participation, official tax documentation articulating annual household income for 2012 or 2013, Federal/State documentation of qualification for Free or Reduced Lunch Program (please call with any questions about appropriate documentation).

Student's School Name

School Street Address

City/Zip Code

#### TO BE COMPLETED FOR HOMESCHOOL APPLICANTS ONLY

Home	School	Organization			
Home	School	Curriculum			
*ALL HOMESCHOOL APPLICATIONS MUST attach proof of Annual Household Income (proof must be an official tax document- (only page 1 of document needed)					

Please complete both sides of this form and gather all 4 items articulated on the front page required to be considered (teacher recommendation may come directly from the teacher via mail or fax) and return by mail or fax to:

ATTN: Professional Field Services - RISE 1500 Sullivan Rd Aurora, IL 60506-1000 Phone (630) 907-5987 Fax: (630) 907-5880

A complete application must be received at IMSA by July 31, 2014 to be considered for any scholarship.

Scholarships are offered through the generous support of donors to the IMSA Fund for Advancement of Education.

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Step 4: Complete the Student Applicant Information Form

2.	Mailing Address (Street, City, State, Zip)
1. 5.	Gender: M F  Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)/  Grade Entering in Fall 2014  Package and Information: This information is requested as we may report attained data regarding any participants to the St.
).	Background Information: This information is requested so we may report statistical data regarding our participants to the Stof Illinois and/or other program funders. Only aggregate data will be shared. Summaries will not contain individual information Please pick one or more from the list below:  a. Hispanic or Latino/a: Are you a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race? (Yes/No)  b. Select one of more races from the following five racial groups:  o American Indian or Alaska Native  Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander  Black or African American  Asian  White
7.	Parent/Legal Guardian Name, with which participant lives
3.	Parent/Legal Guardian contact information:  a. Home: ()  b. Cell: ()  c. Work: ()  d. Email:
9.	School Name and Address (include official school name, city, state, zip)

# Step 5: Have a teacher complete a TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

Subjec	l: I Address: cts Taught/Length of Time y Phone and Work Email:	ou have known t	his studer	nt:			
How w	•	Exceptional		Average		Poor	
1.	Intellectual Curiosity	5	4	3	2	1	
	Creativity	5	4	3	2	1	
	Leadership	5	4	3	2	1	
	Classroom performance and preparation	5	4	3	2	1	
	Ability to work in group situations	5	4	3	2	1	
6.	Ability to work independently	5	4	3	2	1	
What is	s the student's interest						
7.	In studying sciences	5	4	3	2	1	
8.	In studying mathematics	5	4	3	2	1	
In you	r opinion, what is the studer	ıt's ability in					
	Science	5	4	3	2	1	
10.	Mathematics	5	4	3	2	1	
	e provide any additional info IMSA RISE online course, o			nsidered when ev	aluating th	is student for pa	articipatio

Thank you for completing this form!

# WHAT HAPPENS AFTER YOU SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION?

If this application is complete you will receive a confirmation, by mail or email, that we received it and all pieces are accounted for.

If this application is not fully complete, you will be notified by email or phone of the missing information. You will have two weeks after the notification is sent to submit the missing pieces. If the information is not received within the 2 week period, your application will be removed from consideration for a scholarship.

**Scholarships will be awarded starting August 1, 2014**. If you are awarded a scholarship you will be notified by mail or email only. If you were considered and did not receive a scholarship, you will be notified by mail. Please no phone calls.

If you are awarded a scholarship you will be sent a Scholarship Acceptance form that must be filled out and returned to IMSA with the \$25.00 fee within two weeks of the Acceptance letter postmark.

Participation in RISE programs does not guarantee admission to IMSA.