



(Call for eligible competitions/events)
Talent Development Scholarship 2023/24

The Talent Development Scholarship (TDS) offered under the HKSAR Government Scholarship Fund aims to give recognition to students who have demonstrated achievement in non-academic areas. We now invite students' submission for new eligible competitions/events worthy of TDS award for our transmission to the Education Bureau (EDB) for approval **prior** to the open application of the Scholarship.

Number & Value:

- Around 290 awards valued at HK\$10,000 each.

Eligibility:

- All current students pursuing the full-time government-funded degree or above level and sub-degree programmes leading to PolyU awards. Both local and non-local students are eligible.
- Applicants should have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 by end of Semester 1 of 2023/24.

Criteria:

- Applicants should possess demonstrated achievements within the recent 3 years (i.e. 1 January 2020 – present) and continuously striving for improvement and excellence in any of the following areas of 1) Sports and games, 2) Music and performing arts, 3) Culture, arts and design, or 4) Innovation, science and technology.
- Applicants should also at least: a) receive an award** in international, national or regional competitions/performance; or b) represent institution or relevant association in international, national or regional competitions/performances and have good recommendation/ assessment by the institution or relevant organization on the capacity or talent; or c) receive an award** in local/ inter-school/ inter-institution competitions.
(* ** Hierarchical Prizes/Awards only. Consolation/Commendable Awards will not be considered worthy for TDS award.)
- Only the approved eligible competitions/events will be considered for the Scholarship. Students are required to seek prior approval from the Education Bureau (EDB) via Student Affairs Office for the competitions/events which are NOT on the approved list of activities ([Appendix A](#)) **on or before 4 December 2023 (Monday)**. Unless the name and organiser(s) of the competition(s)/event(s) at which you have received an award are exactly the same as those listed on the approved activity list, submission of information on the competition(s)/event(s) is required. In case the year of the competition you participated is different from that shown (if any) on the approved list for more than 5 years, submission of information on the competition is also required. EDB's approval on the eligibility of students' new competitions/events does not guarantee that their scholarship application will be successful.
- Late submission and/or submission without sufficient information/supporting documents on the new competitions/events will NOT be accepted/processed. Achievements/participation in non-approved competitions/events will ONLY serve as evidence of active participation in the certain area of talent and students will NOT be awarded TDS based on their achievements/participation in the non-approved competitions/events.
- The disciplinary record(s) of the applicants with PolyU and the Student Halls of Residence (if any) will be taken into consideration in the processing of applications.

Scholarship Application:

Students **MUST** submit a formal application for the Scholarship when it is open for application in **January/February 2024**. Information will be posted on our website nearer the time.

Enquiry:

For enquiries about the scholarship, please contact us at sao.sch@polyu.edu.hk.