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Sixth Form College

ELITE ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIPS 2021

Dear Athlete,

Thank you for your interest in the Richard Taunton Sixth Form College Elite Athlete Scholarship. Please find enclosed an information pack that outlines the opportunities available at the college. Please read the information and eligibility criteria carefully.

Richard Taunton Sixth Form College has a rich history of sporting success and has supported elite athletes in the early stages of their illustrious careers. We sincerely hope that we will be able to support you as you strive to achieve your sporting ambitions both within the college and in the wider sport fraternity.

A reference from a teacher, coach or National Governing Body representative is required to support your application, so remember to inform them that you are making an application and ensure their details are correct - as their statements are crucial to the success of your application. All awards are at the discretion of the Scholarship Award Panel.

Application deadline is 1 October 2021 and shortlisting will be arranged before interviews are held with members of the college senior management team. During the interview students will show how they can be an ambassador for the college as an elite athlete. All successful applicants are expected to take on ambassadorial roles for sport, and to take part in any college events and activities when necessary. This will include the attendance at the Old Tauntonian's Annual celebration meal in November where their success will be celebrated with the sponsors of the award.

If you require any help or clarification regarding your application or the nature of the scholarship please contact me via the details on the information sheet enclosed.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr Tom Barge
Head of Sport



ELITE ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIPS

RICHARD TAUNTON SIXTH FORM COLLEGE IS COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING THE PURSUIT OF SPORTING EXCELLENCE AMONGST ITS STUDENTS. IN ORDER TO HELP STUDENTS MAXIMISE THEIR SPORTING POTENTIAL SIGNIFICANT RESOURCES HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED TO THE TALENTED ATHLETE PROGRAMME AND AN ELITE ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIP HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED. THE PURPOSE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP IS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO THOSE TRAINING AND COMPETING AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS WHILST WORKING TOWARDS ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS.

SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS

Successful candidates will

- Be awarded a bursary of up to £500
- Be appointed a sport/academic mentor to facilitate lifestyle management and the balance between academic and sporting commitments
- Have access to Richard Taunton Sixth Form College sports coaches where available in their sport
- Have access to additional sport science support from highly qualified and experienced staff
- Have loan of a mobile learning device (laptop or iPad) to assist with academic commitments when on training camps
- Have access to the college's gym facilities.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible you must:

- Enrol at Richard Taunton in September 2021 to study a full-time programme of study
- Have been selected to train and compete at junior or senior national level in their sport

EXPECTATIONS

Students will be expected to:

- To represent Richard Taunton Sixth Form College in their sport where possible, in consultation with your coach and National Governing Body
- Take on an ambassadorial role within the sport department to promote the college to existing, and potential, students
- Provide information and any related news/media regarding your achievements during and after your time at Richard Taunton Sixth Form College
- To maintain high standards of academic achievement including attendance, homework completion and behaviour

HOW TO APPLY

You must complete the application form which explains your interest in the scholarship, future career ambitions, and how the scholarship will enable you to achieve your goals. You will also need to supply at least one reference (teacher, coach or representative of a governing body).

Applicants will also be asked to attend an interview and will be notified in writing of the college's decision.

SCHOLARSHIP SPONSORS

The talented Athlete scholarships are sponsored by The Old Tauntonians' Association.

The association dates back to 1899 and college alumni are invited to join as a way of keeping in touch with their former classmates.

The OTA's generous contributions has enabled the college to provide numerous annual awards in different subject areas, including sport.



ELITE ATHLETE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM



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Please complete all sections and return the form to: Admissions, Richard Taunton Sixth Form College, Hill Lane, Southampton, SO15 5RL or email it to admissions@richardtaunton.ac.uk by **1 October 2020**

YOUR DETAILS

First Name:

Last Name:

Date of Birth:

School:

SUBJECTS YOU HAVE APPLIED TO STUDY

Subject 1:

Subject 2:

Subject 3:

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

What is your main sport?

What is your main discipline/event?

What is your current ranking/PB?

What club(s) are you with?

CURRENT TRAINING SCHEDULE

SUMMARY OF TRAINING/COMPETITION COSTS

SUMMARY OF KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

