

Jesuit Scholarship Program 2023-2024 General Framework Schedule & Activities

Scholarship opportunities are created by St. John's College for a number of significant purposes, principally among them the recognition by the College of the dominant need for pursuing higher learning among students in general. In making available these opportunities specifically to Junior College students and in recognizing the significance of these opportunities for the advancement of the mission of the College in its service to Belize and beyond, a framework for the implementation of a plan is developed in accordance with the following terms and timeline:

1.The process begins when the College President requests the specific support of the Jesuit colleges and universities through each one's President; a formal letter of request is sent during the 1st semester by October/November;

2. The Office of the President receives formal feedback from the colleges/universities and thereafter begins preparing a list of schools with favorable responses; if there has been no response by the end of the 1st semester, a follow-up letter is re-sent electronically via email; amendments are subsequently made to the list once further responses are received; schools with favorable responses are emailed with a message of thanks and follow-up and those with unfavorable responses are emailed with a message for future support;

3. The student body in the Junior College Division is informed by the Dean's Office of the confirmed participating universities.

4. All applications will be submitted to and reviewed by the Dean's Office for the purpose of ensuring that they have been completed in accordance with criteria developed specifically for student eligibility; as a part of reviewing each application, the Dean's Office will inform students in a timely manner of incomplete submissions and in each instance will request of students a final re-submission by **Monday, February 12th, 2024**.

5. In keeping with tradition in the selection of students, the following guidelines will be followed for submission of applications:

- <u>a</u>] Students must submit the form that is issued by the College and posted on the College's website; the form details application eligibility and selection criteria;
- **b**] All applications, after having been reviewed by the Dean's Office, will be short-listed through a joint meeting between the Dean's Office and the Office of the President by **Wednesday**, **February 28th**, **2024**.
- <u>c</u>] A selection committee will be convened by the Dean's Office by Tuesday, January 16thfor the purpose of a final selection of qualified students by candidate interviews to be scheduled for the week days of Monday, March 18th through Thursday March 21st 2024; interviews will be conducted in the Dean's Conference Room in Yorke Hall; please note that Jesuit Scholarship Interview Guide is to be used;
- d Announcements to the students will be made by the Dean's Office by Thursday, April 9th, 2024 of those selected;

- <u>e</u>] Meeting with parents of selected students for their acceptance of scholarship terms will be scheduled by the Dean's Office for both the Dean and the President for Thursday, April 11th, 2024, at the Conference Room # 3 in Yorke Hall;
- **f**] A confirmation by each student selected as well as the submission of Financial Declaration form is to be done through the Dean's Office by Thursday, April 18th, 2024.
- **g]** Submission of selected students as nominees to colleges/universities will be done through the President's Office by Thursday, April 25th, 2024.

Schedule:

Wednesday, January 31st , 2024	Deadline for submission of applications including personal development records, birth certificate, preliminary financial declaration, and letters of recommendation from current teacher and one outside source.
Monday, February 12th, 2024	Final Deadline for re-submission (incompletes)
Wednesday, February 28th, 2024	Announcement of short-listed applicants and interview schedule
Monday, March 18th , - Thursday, March 21st, 2024	Interviews with Eligible applicants
Tuesday, April 9th, 2024	Announcement of Selected Students
Thursday, April 11th, 2024	Meeting with Parents and Selected students and submission of Financial Declaration
Thursday, April 18th, 2024	Deadline for Confirmation of Acceptance
Thursday, April 25th, 2024	Submission of nominations of Selected Students to Colleges / Universities