

Instructions and Application

The Academic Excellence Awards of \$1,000 and \$500 are given to recognize and encourage excellent academic performance and genuine Christian character. Ten \$1,000 awards will be awarded to students in grades 9-11, and six \$500 awards will be awarded to students in grades 7 & 8. In order to qualify a student must:

- Be a returning student in 7-11 grade at the time of application
- Have a cumulative numeric average of 90 or above for each of the **last two years**, and an overall average of 90 or above on the current report card.
- Demonstrate strong Christian character

To apply, candidates must submit the following (copy & paste links):

- Completed application link: **Academic Excellence Award 2025-26 -**
<https://forms.gle/fFGNbXD9p1arXgm29>
- 250-word essay (typed, double-spaced) in response to "How Academic Excellence at SCS brings Glory to God" Include at least 2 Scriptures that reinforce your essay. The Scripture verses do **not** count as part of the 250 required words ***This must be uploaded to the application via the above links as either a Word or PDF File.***
- Two reference forms: one from a pastor or church leader, and one from a *current* teacher. Links to these forms are listed below and are also included in the Application. Please email the corresponding link to your references.
 - **Pastor/Church Leader Reference Form** - <https://forms.gle/pozfvDyPKituQc39A>
 - **Teacher Reference Form** - <https://forms.gle/hc4uNRGtcYCnJ5HV7>
- SCS will provide the School Board with last two years' academic records (i.e., unofficial transcript, report cards, middle school academic record).
- SCS will provide the School Board with a copy of most recent report card, showing final grades from the quarter immediately preceding the current quarter and earlier quarters in the current academic year.
- Applications for Academic Excellence Award will be accepted only from May 7th to June 6th
- Prior year awards are not automatically renewed. Student must apply each year in order to be considered.
- Decisions are made by the Academic Excellence Award Committee of the SCS School Board in June, and award letters are mailed out by July 7th.
- \$1,000 or \$500 award is applied to a student's tuition account for the following school year. *Awards are not transferrable to other schools or future school years.*
- Award recipients must maintain a 90 average every quarter in the year the award is applied to their tuition.