

12th June 2023

Dear Founders Families,

GEMS Founders school, Al Mizhar is delighted to launch a new initiative, the **GFM iFlourish Scholarship Programme**. A merit-based scholarship programme designed to reward students excelling in Academics, Service & Community, Creative Arts, Languages & Literature, and Values & Citizenship Action.

GFM iFlourish Scholarships are offered in the following categories:

Scholarship Categories				
<p>The High Performance Learning (HPL) Award for academic excellence</p>	<p>The Sheikh Saeed Bin Maktoum Award for outstanding contribution to the wider school community and wellbeing</p>	<p>The Florenza Spinola Award for outstanding contribution to the Creative Arts</p>	<p>The Al-Khansa Award for outstanding contribution to languages and/or literature</p>	<p>The Good Citizen Award for outstanding school values and citizenship</p>

The table below outlines the timeline that GFM will follow with regards to the scholarship application process:

Stage 1. Entry deadline	GFM panel review of letters	Shortlisting	Stage 2. Executive Leadership (XLT) and LAB Review
12:00pm on Friday 15 th September	Monday, 18 th September to Thursday 21 st September	Shortlisted students will be notified on Friday, 29 th September.	Monday 9 th October to Thursday 12 th October

Scholarships announced: **Thursday 26th October.**

To be considered for a GFM iFlourish Scholarship, you should carefully read and follow the application process below:

Stage 1

Students may only apply for a scholarship in one category and multiple entries will not be accepted.

Submit your completed application form correctly. In no more than **500 words** (10-point Arial text), outline why you feel you qualify for a GFM iFlourish Scholarship.

Your application should be submitted electronically to scholarships_gfm@gemsedu.com no later than **12:00pm on Friday, 15th September 2023**. Please save and submit your document using the following naming format:

Name_Class / Form Group

Example: Akram Tarik_10B

Note: students applying for a scholarship within the Arabic Language and Literature category must submit a typed written letter in Arabic

Stage 2 (only for shortlisted students)

Shortlisted students will be notified and will then be asked to submit the following documents:

- Copies of the previous 2 years' school reports
- Any supporting documentation such as recommendation letters, copies of awards/certificates, examination results, press clippings and/or video evidence

Further guidelines

Shortlisted candidates may also be invited for a final interview with the school Principal and other members of the leadership team or LAB committee at our discretion. In addition to excellence in their specific field or talent, students are selected on the basis of their potential to act as a positive role model for their peer group through their given specialism. Scholars will be given regular opportunities to represent GEMS Founders School, Mizhar and take on leadership roles within their given specialism.

Wishing you the best of luck with your entry.

Warm regards,



Akram Tarik,
Principal