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JOSEPH SCHOOLING SPORTS GRANT

Executive Summary

The Eurasian Association, Singapore (henceforth “the EA”) will award the Joseph Schooling Sports Grant (“the Grant”) for 2019, in January 2019.

The EA set up the Grant after Joseph Schooling won Singapore’s first Olympic gold medal at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, to recognise the achievements of Joseph Schooling, and also to inspire young Eurasians to strive for sporting excellence.

The Grant, which is a cash award of S\$5,000, primarily serves to defray training and/or equipment costs that might be incurred in pursuit of sporting excellence.

The Grant will be awarded competitively to the most deserving young sportsperson that meets criteria such as:

- Eurasian, as defined by the EA.
- Aged between 14-19 years (inclusive) in the calendar year of the application
- Has won a medal (bronze, silver or gold) in the National Schools Competition, SEA Games, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, Olympic Games, and other events as recognised by the EA.
- In full-time education, and able to be promoted to the next academic year.

Full details of the criteria are appended in the full concept paper.

The timeline and process for the Grant award in 2019 is as follows:

- Application period: Opens 1 October 2018
- Closing date of application 31 October 2018
- Interview to be set up in the month of November 2018
- Announcement of successful applicant: early December 2018
- Disbursement of full cash grant: mid-January 2019

The Grant will be administered by the EA’s Education Secretariat, who will be responsible for shortlisting the applicants and convening the interview committee.

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Introduction

1. In 2016, upon winning Singapore's first ever Olympic Gold medal at the Rio Olympic Games, the Eurasian Association (EA) mooted a sports scholarship, firstly to recognise the achievements of Joseph Schooling, and also to inspire young Eurasians to strive for sporting excellence.

Scope

2. After extensive consultations with experts in the field, as well as several iterations with the Eurasian Association, the following was decided:
 - a. Instead of a scholarship (which would be tied to academic criteria), the EA decided that the award come in the form of a grant, which would primarily serve to defray training and/or equipment costs that might be incurred in pursuit of sporting excellence.
 - b. To ensure the sustainability as well as the prestige of the Joseph Schooling Sports Grant (henceforth, the Grant), there will only be one award per year involving a cash award of S\$5,000 to the most deserving applicant. Recipients may re-apply for renewal of the Grant in the next year, but will be subjected to the selection process along with fresh applicants.
 - c. A selection committee will be set up to evaluate and interview shortlisted applicants. The decision of the selection committee is final.
 - d. The timeline and process for the Grant award in 2019 is as follows:
 - i. Application period: Opens 1 October 2018
 - ii. Closing date of application 31 October 2018
 - iii. Interview to be set up in the month of November 2018
 - iv. Announcement of successful applicant: early December 2018
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Eligibility

3. The applicant:
 - a. is a Singapore citizen or permanent resident
 - b. is a Eurasian, as defined in the EA's Constitution

<p>A Eurasian for the purpose of eligibility for the Grant only is a person:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">(i) Who is of both European and Asian ancestry; OR(ii) Whose family has been accepted as Eurasian by custom and tradition.¹

¹ EA Constitution, para 4b.

- c. is between the ages of 14 to 19 years in the calendar year of application
- d. has shown commendable performance from January to December in the calendar year of application in locally recognised/regional/international competitions (National Schools Competitions, SEA Games, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games and the Olympic Games) by having won a bronze, silver or gold medal in the preceding 12 months.
- e. Interested applicants who are going to be enlisted within the year of the Grant award, or currently serving National Service are not eligible to apply.
- f. must have his/her application endorsed by his/her school² or the relevant National Sports Association;
- g. is not a recipient of a SpexScholarship, or any other sports-related scholarship / grant.
- h. Will be in full-time education in Singapore for the majority of the year of the Grant award
- i. Has demonstrated that he/she has passed all requisite examinations and was promoted to the next academic year, or has secured a place at the next level of institutional learning (e.g. in transition from O-levels to Polytechnic or A-levels etc.).

4. There is no income criteria for this Grant.

5. Application forms are available at the EA, c/o Education Secretariat.

Conditions

6. The recipient of the Joseph Schooling Sports Grant and where he or she is under the age of 18 years, one of his/her parents on his or her behalf will agree to be a member of the EA upon award of the Grant, if not already a member, under the following categories:

- a. to be a Junior Member³ of the EA (if under 18 years old), OR
- b. Ordinary / Life Member of the EA (if aged 19 years old and above) after award of the Grant

7. The recipient will agree to participate in at least ONE the following events in the year of award, unless formally excused by the EA:

- a. To participate in an award ceremony for the award of the Grant
- b. and to allow the use of his/her photos/images in any EA materials (including online) that pertain to the Grant
- c. To participate in at least one social event for the EA during the year of award. These may include:
 - i. Eurasian Festival
 - ii. EA Eurasian Community Fund Awards Ceremony
 - iii. EA Family Day

<http://www.eurasians.org.sg/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/EA-Constitution-Booklet-2016-FINAL.pdf>

² Applicants waiting for school postings can get their alma maters to endorse their applications.

³ EA constitution, para 17.

- iv. EA fund raising activities
 - v. External events representing the EA as agreed with EA in advance
8. In the event that the recipient of the Joseph Schooling Sports Grant is formally disciplined by the sports association which is recognized by Sport Singapore (SportSG) and the Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC) as the governing body for the sport in which the recipient is participating or is proven to have engaged in any other misdemeanour in the year in which the Grant is awarded, the EA reserves the right to withdraw the award.
 9. In the event that the recipient of the Grant decides to take a leave of absence from full-time education, and/or who fails to meet the requirement to have been promoted to the next academic level in the year of Grant award, the EA again reserves the right to withdraw the award.

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