

BASIS Independent Brooklyn had been planning on a **merit scholarship program** beginning in 2015, but has advanced this program to students of **grades 6-8 in Fall 2014**. We are looking to create a cohesive cohort of students in the upper grades who demonstrate extraordinary academic promise.

The process for the merit program differs compared to our typical application process. Please read below carefully:

To apply, please take the following steps:

- Go to www.BASISindependentBrooklyn.com/application to submit an application
- Check the box on the first page that reads, "Please check the box if you would like your student to be considered for a merit-based scholarship (Grade 6-8 candidates only)."

Round 1: Testing and Supplementary Materials

- Upon submission of application, you will be prompted to sign up for a **group testing session for our entrance exam** (2 hours in length, 1 hour each for Math and an Essay). **Parents will not be interviewed at this time.**
- While scholarships are primarily merit-based, candidates must demonstrate financial need. You must submit proof of financial need (W2 or similar form) to the admissions office.
- Admissions office must have progress reports, Math/English teacher evaluations, Letter of Recommendation/Character Reference in office before families come in for an in-person meeting.

Round 2: In-Person Meeting

- Admissions committee reviews the entrance exam & financial documentation and will invite students to come in for an in-person interview. This interview will take place between the candidate and the admissions committee.
 Parents are not required.
- Admissions committee meets, makes a final decision, families are notified and have 10 days to accept their placement.

If you are determined **not** to be eligible for a merit-based scholarship, **you will still be considered for regular admissions**, which will be communicated to your family after Round 1.

The admissions committee meets monthly to review merit-based candidates, decisions for applicants who have completed the entire admissions process by June 29th will be released on July 1st.

Awards are available within the range of 25% scholarship to 95% scholarship. The scholarship award is renewed upon maintaining a B+ average.

