

# REACH FOR THE STARS

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## Application Form 2024

To be filled by RFTS Team only:

Course applied for: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

This questionnaire is for applying for a scholarship to the Reach for the Stars project. Filling this form is only a first step in a selection process and is no guarantee of the success of your application. Our team will select which students, on the basis of this application form, can join the next step of the process which is an essay (English) you have to write and then, if again you go forward into the next level, a home visit, then a personal interview, where the final candidates will be selected.

**Please answer all questions. If there is space for more than one line, we expect a full and detailed answer. The form has to be signed twice by you on page 3 and 4. Adding less than two recommendations or not filling the form in your own handwriting makes your application invalid and it will be excluded from the process. Please submit till 15 February 2024.**

### PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (indicate whose number it is): \_\_\_\_\_

Email (if you do not have one create it): \_\_\_\_\_

Full address: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date (dd/mm/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

age: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current work: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current work: \_\_\_\_\_

Name & age of sisters and brothers: \_\_\_\_\_

Current work/school grade/occupation \_\_\_\_\_

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Current work/school grade/occupation \_\_\_\_\_

### SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION:

Elementary school name and village/town/city: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/years attended: \_\_\_\_\_

from: \_\_\_\_\_ till: \_\_\_\_\_

Middle School name and village/town/city: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/years attended: \_\_\_\_\_

from: \_\_\_\_\_ till: \_\_\_\_\_

High School name and village/town/city: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/years attended: \_\_\_\_\_

from: \_\_\_\_\_ till: \_\_\_\_\_

Higher Secondary School name and village/town/city: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/years attended: \_\_\_\_\_

from: \_\_\_\_\_ till: \_\_\_\_\_

If in College: College name/course: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/years attended: \_\_\_\_\_

from: \_\_\_\_\_ till: \_\_\_\_\_

10th Standard results:		Higher Secondary School:	
	NUMBER OF CREDITS		NUMBER OF CREDITS
Tamil		Tamil	
English		English	
(other subject):		(other subject):	
(other subject):		(other subject):	
(other subject):		(other subject):	
(other subject):		(other subject):	
<b>TOTAL SCORE:</b>		<b>TOTAL SCORE:</b>	

**College Results (in case in college already (please add copy of results to this form))**

1st Semester College Results: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Semester College Results: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXTRACURRICULAR INFORMATION**

What, if any, is your work experience? Have you done an internship? Please describe.

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In what ways do you participate in village or regional activities or social projects? Please describe, outlining your duties and responsibilities

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What sports do you play? Which, if any, at what level and how often do you play.

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What is your interest and participation in cultural activities, eg art, music, theatre, dance? Please tell us something of this.

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What is your connection to Auroville? (study-related, work-related, family-related, etc?)

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**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

*Please be aware that this is a serious legal declaration you are making. Concealing or giving false information may result in unfortunate consequences for your education and career.*

**Does your family have other sources of income such as rent, insurance, fixed deposits, land leasing, etc?**

no  yes

if yes, please give details: \_\_\_\_\_

Please let us know if your family owns land and where. Give details: \_\_\_\_\_

The house where you live is on your own land: no  yes

What are your reasons for applying to RFTS funding? Please give a **factually detailed report** of your and your family's financial circumstances that you feel justify applying for funding from RFTS. Include the income of your parents and siblings.

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Have you ever applied for a educational bank loan? yes  no

If yes, please give more details: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever applied for a scholarship/grant? yes  no

If yes, please give more details: \_\_\_\_\_

**When you sign this document you are verifying and declaring that you have NO financial means in your family to finance further education.**

**FUTURE PLANS/ CAREER GOALS**

What are your future goals and what is your plan for achieving them?

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Why do you want to get a college education?

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What stimulated your interest in your chosen degree?

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\_\_\_\_\_

## COURSE DETAILS

In this section we kindly request you to provide a comprehensive and realistic breakdown of the fee structure for your chosen course. This information is essential for your application. When selecting the college you wish to attend, please make your choice wisely. It is advisable to visit your preferred institution and obtain detailed course and fee-related information.

For BA programs and BSc courses in Physics, Biology, and related fields, we encourage applicants to consider Saradha Gangadharan College, St. Joseph's College of Arts & Science or Puducherry University. However, please note that we do not endorse applications for B.Sc. Nursing; instead, we recommend exploring other medical course options. Similarly, we do not endorse applications for B.com programs; you may consider pursuing BBA or BA Economics as alternatives. For engineering courses, we only support applications from candidates who demonstrate a strong passion for the subject and possess relevant previous experience.

It is important to mention that if you do not meet the entry requirements, such as the minimum marks for your chosen course, you will not be eligible for our program.

Which course are you applying for and what is your intended degree?

What is your first choice college/university give address and website?

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Visited on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Your intended college start date? \_\_\_\_\_

Give detailed course description of intended college/institute or, better, attach information sheet:

**Details of college/institution fees:** (this is what you apply for! Ask your intended college for fees/ last year's fees, if this section is not filled, your application will not be considered)

1st year: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd year: \_\_\_\_\_

3rd year: \_\_\_\_\_

4th year (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

5th year (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Hostel fees (if needed) all years: \_\_\_\_\_

Transportation cost (if needed and if college bus) all years: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount in Rs** you are applying for:

## TERMS & CONDITIONS:

A scholarship will be given on the condition that the student works hard and receives very good grades.

The scholarship will be suspended if the student fails or does not show sufficient ambition in his/her course.

The student should score a minimum of 60% or D.

A scholarship will only be given to students who receive a minimum of 60% in their high school marks.

The student is required to attend English classes on Sundays regularly. Attendance is mandatory and without exception.

The student agrees to repay the sponsor a minimum of 20% (twenty percent) of the total amount of scholarship received after completion of the course. The amount will be used by the sponsor to support other students in the same manner that the student was supported.

விதிமுறைகளும் நிபந்தனைகளும்:

மாணவர்கள் நன்றாகப் படித்து நல்ல மதிப்பெண்கள் எடுத்து முன்னேற வேண்டும் என்ற நிபந்தனையின் பேரிலேயே கல்வி உதவி அளிக்கப்படுகிறது. மாணவர்கள் தேர்வில் தோல்வியடைந்தாலோ அல்லது படிப்பில் ஆர்வம் காட்டவில்லை என கண்டறிந்தாலோ, அம்மாணவருக்கு அளிக்கப்படும் கல்வி உதவி இடைநிறுத்தம் செய்யப்படும். மாணவர்கள் தேர்ச்சி 60% மதிப்பெண் அல்லது 'D' நிலைக்கு குறையாமல் இருக்க வேண்டும்.

மாணவர்கள் ஞாயிற்றுக்கிழமைகளில் நடைபெறும் ஆங்கில மெழிவகுப்பிற்கு வருதல் அவசியம். இவ்வகுப்பிற்கு எக்காரணம் கொண்டும் வராமலிருப்பதை ஏற்றுக்கொள்ள முடியாது.

மாணவர்கள் தங்கள் படிப்பை முடித்தபின் தாங்கள் பெற்ற தொகையில் 20% (இருபது சதவீதத் தொகையை) ரீச் ஃபார் தி ஸ்டார் -க்குத் திருப்பிச் செலுத்த வேண்டும். இத்தொகை உங்களைப் போன்ற மற்ற மாணவர்களுக்கு நிதியுதவி அளிக்கப் பயன்படுத்தப்படும்.

**I certify that all the statements contained in this application are truthful and correct.  
I certify that the information about my financial situation is truthful correct.  
I certify that I accept the terms & conditions of Reach for the Stars program.**

Date

Signature

**Please hand in with your completed questionnaire:**

1. If you are already in college please provide your two latest semester results
2. Two recommendations (forms attached). Applications without recommendations will not be considered
  - a. One of which is academic (teacher, college professor)
  - b. One of which is for community service (sports coach, community centre, etc)

**Please do not attach more than what is requested!!!**

**Only to be filled by RFTS contact person:**

Name contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information about the financial situation of the student and land ownership of the family of the student is correct \_\_\_\_\_ / not correct \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Reach for the Stars contact person



## Academic Letter of Recommendation (by teacher or college professor)

Applicant's Name:	_____
<b>Recommender Information</b>	
Recommender's Name:	_____
Occupation:	_____
Address:	_____
E-Mail Address:	_____
Phone Number:	_____

### Rating of Applicant

Recommender please provide the following information about the scholarship applicant.

How long have you known the applicant (in years)? \_\_\_\_\_  
and in what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

Skills and Abilities	Excellent	Average	Below Average
Intellectual/Academic potential			
Analytical/Conceptual Skills			
Written Communication Skills			
Oral Communication Skills			
Imagination/Creativity			

What is your recommendation for the scholarship applicant?

Highly recommend	
Recommend	
Recommend with reservation	
Do not recommend	

Please include a statement about the applicant's strengths, weaknesses and potential for success in college. Also, describe a time when the applicant has shown leadership in comparison to his/her peers.

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**Community Letter of Recommendation**  
 (sports coach, community center, other social activity...)

Applicant's Name:	_____
<b>Recommender Information</b>	
Recommender's Name:	_____
Occupation:	_____
Address:	_____
E-Mail Address:	_____
Phone Number:	_____

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 and in what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

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Analytical/Conceptual Skills			
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