



NAKDeF SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME – ANNOUNCEMENT-2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

Newmont Akyem Development Foundation (NAKDeF) scholarship scheme application process is now open for prospective tertiary students who are beginning the **2023/2024 academic year**. The NAKDeF scholarship scheme is open to all students who are now pursuing various tertiary programmes in the various public and private accredited Schools in Ghana.

Objective of the Scholarship:

The NAKDeF scholarship scheme is to build Human Resource Capital within the Newmont project affected Communities to support sustainable community development.

Benefits of the Scholarship Scheme:

The scholarship package will cover programme cost. The cost elements are approved academic fees and hostel/hall fees where applicable. The funds will be spread over the duration of the education to its completion. Community budget per student is considered.

Application Guidelines

STEP 1: Ensure that you meet the NAKDeF Scholarship Scheme Eligibility Criteria indicated in this document

STEP 2: Create your email address for the purpose of the scholarship application and keep the password safely. Applicants with email addresses must ensure that they are active and can be accessed by the applicant.

STEP 3: All applicants must get the following documents ready before they fill the online scholarship application forms.

- Passport picture
- Admission letter and **WASSCE/ SSSCE** results
- Certified results slip from institution admitted for continuing students

Note: All applicants are required to upload their passport picture, WASSCE/ SSSCE results and admission letter online.

STEP 4: Visit the website below and complete the NAKDeF Scholarship application forms;

<https://scholarship.paceware.solutions/>

Note: All applicants are to sign up with their email address before they can register and complete the application. A code will be sent to the applicant's email address for confirmation and activation. Application acknowledgement form will be issued to all applicants on the receipts of their completed application forms with the relevant documents.

STEP 5: Print the forms after completion and attach the following evidence for onward submission to the SDC within your community;

- Current school bills
- curriculum vitae,
- Statement of purpose indicating choice of academic programme, rationale for selection and its relevance to the local economic development.
- Any other relevant additional document.

Scholarship Scheme Eligibility Criteria:

To qualify for the scholarship scheme, the applicant shall fulfil the following criteria:

- ❖ The applicant must be a Ghanaian, and a validated member of a Newmont Akyem Mine affected communities with a minimum of five (5) years residence. The applicant must fill a validation form to be endorsed by at least five (5) out of the seven (7) SDC members in their respective communities.
- ❖ An applicant should have obtained admission into any accredited tertiary institution in Ghana.
- ❖ An applicant should not be more than 40 years old.
- ❖ An applicant should not be a current beneficiary of a Scholarship administered by another institution.
- ❖ Must demonstrate financial need
- ❖ Must demonstrate academic merit (obtain not more than aggregate **24 in WASSCE/ SSSCE** or not less than **CWA/CGPA: 2.5** for continuing students). Academic results will be verified through WAEC and issuing Institutions. **Mature students must demonstrate a proof of admission.**
- ❖ An applicant should be of good character and should be prepared to sign a bond to serve the community for three years immediately after completion when required or contribute in service/cash towards the Foundation or development of the community.

PLEASE NOTE:

Kindly read **ALL** the instructions below before proceeding with the application process:

- Applicants must complete the scholarship application forms available at the website indicated in **STEP 4**.
- Applications will be evaluated based on the information provided. All questions should be answered as thoroughly as possible. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Once an application has been submitted, no changes will be allowed.
- Only applications submitted through the NAKDeF scholarship will be considered. **Submit hard copies of your application documents through your community SDC. Please don't submit your application forms directly to NAKDeF Office.**
- All materials submitted will not be returned to the applicant.
- Assessment of applicants will be done by the SDC members in conjunction with the NAKDeF Secretariat.
- Only successful applicants will be notified. (**Please do not call to inquire about status of your application**).
- Falsification of Information will lead to your application being cancelled or withdrawal of scholarship award.
- **Results will be verified through WAEC and issuing Institutions.**

Deadline

The application deadline is **30th October, 2023**. Only successful applicants will be notified through the SDC.

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