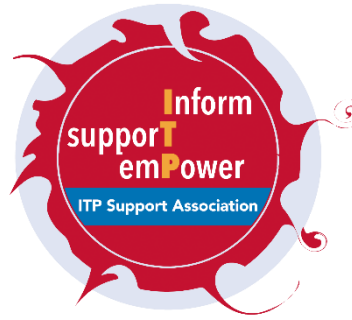




The UK & Ireland ITP Support Association

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The ITPSA has been providing ITP patients and family members with reliable information and support through its many channels (website and social media), publications, regular patient meetings and annual conferences. During these difficult times we realise that many ITP patients and their families are finding it a struggle financially whilst living with a chronic disorder, which is why we at the ITPSA have launched its scholarship fund. We also believe that education is the key to success.

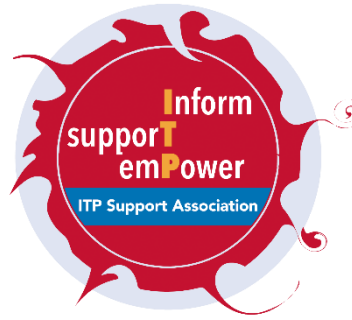
Who is Eligible for the Scholarship?

Awards are restricted to Sixth Form students, current College or University students, or adults who have gone back into full time education (**as of September 2022**) who have ITP (Immune Thrombocytopenia).

How to Apply?

Please provide an 800-to-1000-word essay which details how your ITP has resulted in your growth as a person; what you learned about your own strengths and weaknesses. Tell us about your ITP Journey. Please note the winning entries will be published in the Platelet Journal and on the ITP Support Association website and Social Media Channels.

If you feel that having a chronic illness such as ITP has helped you choose a career path, describe how, and explain why you feel this way and what you have done to meet these educational goals. Explain what your plans are for the future in meeting your educational responsibilities, in light of your struggles with a platelet disorder. **Remember when you are writing your essay to include your name only on the application and NOT in the body of the essay.**



An application (email submission preferred) must be submitted to the ITP Support Association no earlier than 19th August 2022 and no later than 16th September 2022. The winners will be notified by 26th September 2022.

Incomplete or late Applications will not be considered.

Scholarship award winners will be announced at the start of ITP Awareness Week (w/c 26th September 2022). The essays and applications will be reviewed and judged by an impartial panel selected by the ITPSA Board.

Scholarship Funds

Scholarship Funds will be awarded with a one-time payment as follows during the academic year.

- 1) First prize: £1,500
- 2) Second prize: £750

In addition, three (3) third place winners will be awarded £250 each for textbooks payable to the individual winners upon presentation of receipts.

***The ITPSA reserves the right to change eligibility criteria yearly and does not guarantee the availability of scholarship awards annually.**



ITPSA Academic Scholarship Application

Student's Full Name:

Address:

Birth Date:

Student's or Parent's E-mail Address:

When first diagnosed with ITP:

Parent(s)/ Guardian Name(s), if applicable:

Parent(s)/Guardian Address(s), if applicable:

Parent(s)/Guardian Phone Number(s), if applicable:

Student's Phone Number(s), if different:

What is the Name of the School you are attending now? (if applicable)

To which College or University have you been accepted? (or are attending)

Please provide 2 written recommendation letters from adults who are not related to you.

Please have the person who is writing the recommendation letter use 'he' or 'she' in place of the applicant's name. We want the scholarship selection committee to not be able to identify anyone by name.

Names and contact information of persons writing letters of recommendation:



The recommendation letter must be sent by the person writing the recommendation via e-mail directly to Liz Gooch at info@itpsupport.org.uk

I, _____, do hereby agree that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby affirm that I am a British citizen, that I have received an acceptance letter from the above-mentioned college or university, and that I meet eligibility criteria as defined above.

(Upon award notification, a recent photo may be requested for publication. The photo will not be returned.)

Signature

Date _____

Complete the application and return to (e-mail preferred):

ITP Support Association *Attention: ITPSA*
Academic Scholarship
The Platelet Mission
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Bolnhurst,
Bedfordshire,
United Kingdom MK44 2EL

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