



RUGBY SCHOOL

## Sixth Form Design Scholarship and Arkwright Awards September 2027 Entry

**Closing Date for Applications: 18 September 2026**

The Design assessment will be based on a portfolio of recent work showing their design ability and diversity, a practical assessment (sketching design solutions to a problem) and an interview with the Head of Design.

The task is designed to test the abilities of strong D&T GCSE candidates from a range of backgrounds and experience.

Candidates must submit a digital portfolio but also bring examples or a portfolio of recent work to be discussed at the interview. If complete tasks cannot be brought, appropriate photographs, design folders, relevant design work or CAD records should be brought.

**All candidates who wish to be considered for a Design Scholarship MUST attend Rugby School for a practical assessment. Practical assessment will take place on 8 October 2026 from 14.30 to 17.00 in the Design Centre, Rugby School.**

If a Design Scholarship is awarded, the pupil will be required to take Design as an A-level or an IB Higher subject subject, and would be encouraged to apply for a national Arkwright Award (see below).

Further information please contact:

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Head of Design  
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### Arkwright Engineering Scholarships

Arkwright Scholarships are intended for those likely to study Engineering at university (or possibly a Design-related course). The written papers for this award are based on Design capability. Any Academic Scholar of the School is, in effect, eligible to sit for an Arkwright Scholarship if they intend to study Engineering. More details can be found at <http://www.arkwright.org.uk>.

To apply for a Design Scholarship please submit your [Rugby School 16+ Design Scholarship Application 2027](#)

### Award and Augmentation

If a scholarship is awarded, fees may be augmented by means-tested bursary support up to 100% of the boarding or day fees for UK residents.

There is no fee remission for successful scholarship awards. However, if a scholarship is awarded, fees may be augmented by means-tested bursary support of up to 100% of boarding or day fees. Bursary applications are made through an online system. To register your interest, please complete the [Bursary Application Form](#). You will then receive an email containing a link to create an account and begin your bursary application.

For a bursary application to be considered, your child must be registered with the School and the Registration Fee, where applicable, must be paid in full. Bursary applications must be completed and submitted by the

scholarship application deadline. Applications submitted after this date may not be assessed until after scholarship assessment results have been released. In such cases, it will be at the School's discretion whether a place is held while you await an outcome. There is no fee remission without a Scholarship or Award and bursary support is available only where both parents reside in the UK.