

American Secondary School Scholarship Competition
Information for Candidates and Families in Poland
For the Academic Year 2012/13

Important Dates

Application Deadline Friday, December 2, 2011
Interview Day TBA • January 2012

Application Materials

Please read *Application Overview* for a complete understanding of how to apply for an ASSIST scholarship.

Because we do not have a formal recruitment structure in Poland, candidates should submit applications directly to ASSIST in the U.S. Please complete all application materials, make a full copy of all documents, and mail the original and a copy to the address noted below. Applications must be post marked by **December 2, 2011**.

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Interviews and English Language Testing

The strongest applicants will be offered opportunities to interview in another country where ASSIST interview teams will travel. We will contact those who will be interviewed, noting the date and time of your interview and English language testing. The standardized SLEP test will measure the candidates' knowledge of the English language. Candidates will also be asked to handwrite an essay on a topic that will be assigned after the test.

By the middle of February, the interviewers will meet to select the candidates to whom scholarships will be offered. We will communicate our decisions to all students who were interviewed. Candidates selected for scholarships will be asked to make an immediate decision to accept the scholarship and must bind this decision with a small deposit.

Family Responsibilities

As with all international exchange programs, a fee is charged to all participants. The ASSIST program fee in Poland for the 2012/13 academic year is US \$5,250.

In addition to the fee, families are responsible for round-trip airfare expenses from Poland to the U.S., the return trip from the school to the port of entry at the end of the year, health and accident insurance, the medical examination, spending money (about US \$150/month), and any activity fees and expenses (such as books and supplies) charged by the school.