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APPLICATION FOR A GRANT FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/18

PART 1

THIS FORM MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY PART 2.
IF YOU HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED PART 2 FOR ANOTHER TRUST
PLEASE SEND A COPY TO THE PO BOX ABOVE.

Name of young person for whom the grant is requested _____

Date of application _____

School at which any award may be held _____

Date started at the school _____

Please indicate for which year you are applying for help, e.g. final GCSE year (Yr11) _____

COMPLETION OF THE APPLICATION FORM

All sections of the form must be completed and returned by the preceding March to the start of the new academic year, otherwise it will be returned and your application may be delayed. It is essential that the financial form is completed with both income and expenditure columns filled in. A copy of a recent weekly/monthly pay slip, P60 or Annual Accounts if self-employed should be included, together with a copy of a letter from the Benefits Office detailing your state benefits, if applicable.

For further advice on sources of help you could contact the following:

Educational Trusts' Forum Home Page
<http://www.educational-grants.org> (website enquiries only)

WISPERS TRUST

Wispers School for Girls in Haslemere enjoyed an excellent reputation for over 60 years, as is testified by the Independent Schools Report 2007. Its motto - *Fortiter, Fideliter, Feliciter* (Bravely, Faithfully, Happily) - inspired numerous girls and their teachers throughout its existence.

In the harder times of the present century, the Governors were mindful of the school's traditions and values, which would have been severely compromised in any amalgamation. They took a more positive view and, following the school's closure and sale in 2009, established a revised Trust, the Wispers Trust.

In their strategic planning, the Wispers Trustees have worked closely with the Charity Commission, who in particular applauded the Trust's intention to offer support in perpetuity. This is seen as the most effective way of preserving the founding principles of the school. Wispers Trust awarded its first education grants in 2011.

The aim of the Wispers Trust is to offer financial support to deserving pupils, particularly secondary pupils in Year 11 (GCSE) or Year 13 (A2), whose parents or guardians are experiencing unforeseen financial difficulties.

In exceptional circumstances financial support may be given for part of the two-year GCSE course (Years 10 and 11) or two-year Sixth Form course (Years 12 and 13) at the discretion of the Trustees. Financial support should be seen as a contribution to the fees per term and not as entire funding.

The applicant's current Head will be required to offer a written statement of support to confirm that financial assistance is in the best interests of the applicant in order to complete her secondary education. Parents or Guardians must ensure that they have given permission to the pupil's school for Wispers Trust to discuss the education and financial record of the applicant.