

Dubbo Christian School

Senior Academic Scholarship Guidelines

(Year 11/12 for 2024 and 2025)



Purpose

The mission of Dubbo Christian School (DCS) is "In partnership, to equip students with a distinctive and responsive education, to be transformational with a heart for Christ". The Board seeks to recognise and encourage students who show potential to significantly contribute to the School's mission through the provision of an academic scholarship. The scholarship will provide financial support to a selected student undertaking their senior studies (Year 11 and 12) at the School.

Who Can Apply?

The Senior Academic Scholarship is available to a student who will be commencing their senior School studies in 2024. We invite future new or current DCS Year 10 students who demonstrate strong Christian character as well as a strong academic background to apply for the scholarship. New DCS students who are applying must be Australian citizens or permanent residents and intending to study full-time at DCS.

Value of Scholarship

Successful applicants will receive up to a 75% tuition fee discount for their studies in both Year 11 and 12.

Selection Criteria

- A strong commitment to the Christian faith with evidence of Christian values and service
- Support for the DCS vision, mission and values and a commitment to personal integrity and good citizenship
- A capacity and desire to contribute positively to the culture of academic excellence of the School

How to Apply:

Applications are to be submitted using the DCS Senior Scholarship Application Form. The form includes the requirement for applicants to write a 300-word explanation about themselves and why they should be selected as the successful applicant addressing the above selection criteria. Applications must also include:

- Names of a Character and School Referee
- ♦ A reference letter from the pastor of the applicant's current church
- Copies of the applicant's Year 10 School reports and last NAPLAN results, as well as any supporting documentation of Academic Achievement, such as results or certificates from any external academic competition
 – for example, the Australian Mathematics Competition.

Applications are to be submitted by <u>24 July 2023</u> via fees@dubbocs.edu.au. Selected applicants will be asked to attend an interview with the Scholarship Selection Committee.

Scholarship Conditions and Expectations

- 1. Scholarships are non-refundable and cannot be transferred to another School or student.
- 2. A Scholarship does not include any incidental expenses such as uniforms, stationery, transport costs etc.
- 3. A Scholarship is conditional on the holder's continued adherence to the School's policies and rules, including maintaining a high standard in academic results, uniform, attendance and conduct.
- 4. Scholarship holders are expected to contribute to the life of the School, best demonstrated by their attitude, effort and commitment to academic excellence, such as serving as an Academic Prefect.
- 5. Scholarship holders will participate in periodic reviews of their ability to meet DCS expectations.
- 6. The School reserves the right to withdraw the Scholarship if the holder's engagement, commitment or conduct does not meet School standards.
- 7. No 'Sibling Discount' or Fee Assistance will apply to the applicant if granted a Scholarship.
- 8. The School will maintain confidentiality regarding all successful and unsuccessful applicants and encourages the same from the Scholarship holder.
- 9. At the end of their Year 12 studies, the Scholarship holder may be invited to engage with prospective Scholarship applicants or provide personal testimonials regarding the value of the Scholarship to them.
- 10. The School reserves the right to not proceed with an enrolment application with a Scholarship awardee should that process bring to light any issue that would normally preclude enrolment.
- 11. The School may terminate any Scholarship at any time where, in its opinion, the terms of the award are not being met.
- 12. The Board reserves the right not to award a Scholarship if, in its opinion, no applicant meets the criteria of the award.

Assessment and Notification

The DCS Board Chair will notify applicants in writing of the Scholarship process results by 22 September 2023. Decisions by the Scholarship Committee and the Board are final and no further correspondence will be entered into.

If you have any further Scholarship queries, please contact the School via fees@dubbocs.edu.au, or the Principal on (02) 6882 0044 during business hours.