

Kahu Youth Trust and Rotary Club of Wanaka Educational Scholarship- Application Form

Purpose:

Kahu Youth Trust fosters creativity, independence, and individuality in the youth in Wanaka and surrounding areas. Our aim is to help guide the youth in the community to make positive choices that encourage personal and professional growth. Our goal for the educational scholarship is to further encourage the professional growth of the youth in the community with financial assistance in their first year of tertiary education including, university, poly technical and trade studies. This scholarship is aimed towards individuals who have been out of school a minimum of 6 months and may have entered the workforce early and now want to attain some certificates and qualifications to assist them further in their career. Kahu Youth Trust and The Rotary Club of Wanaka want to provide a financial stepping-stone for youth to achieve career fulfilment.

Criteria:

The Kahu Youth Trust - Rotary Club of Wanaka scholarship is open to any NZ citizen or permanent resident. The scholarship is for the sum of \$1,500 to be awarded for use by the successful candidate in their first year of tertiary study in university, other authorized tertiary training organization, college or trade.

Eligibility

- (a) Applicants must be students registered in their first year of study.
- (b) Applicants must have a permanent residential address located in either Wanaka and surrounding areas, Hawea and surrounding areas, Makarora, Luggate, Cardrona and Tarras.
- (c) Applicants must have been out of school for a minimum of 6 months.
- (d) Applicants will be aged between 16-24 years of age inclusive.
- (e) Applicants must be New Zealand Citizens or Permanent Residents.

Selection Criteria

The criteria for selection will be:

- (a) Merit and community involvement
- (b) Achievements in their time away from studies
- (c) Academic, athletic, cultural achievements
- (d) Employment history
- (e) Goals and aspirations

Selection Process

The selection process will follow a two-step process. Firstly, a Kahu Youth worker, and one Rotarian will look through all applications in detail and give them a score from the scoring matrix provided. From this process a selection of the top 3 – 5 applicants will be chosen to go forward to the interview process. The Kahu Youth Worker will complete a summary of the applications for those that are selected to go through to interview.

A copy of the summaries will be provided to each member of the interview panel. The panel will consist of two Kahu Youth Trust Trustees, the Kahu Youth worker and one Rotary Club of Wanaka Rotarian. The Rotarian that takes part in the initial vetting process shall not sit on the interview panel. One of the Kahu Youth Trust Trustees will chair the interview panel.

Following these interviews, scores recorded by each interviewer will be tabulated and the applicant with the highest total score will be the person to receive the scholarship.

Application

Application forms are available from the Kahu Youth website www.kahuyouth.org and on the Rotary Club of Wanaka website

Applications open August 1st, 2021

Applications **close September 3rd, 2021**

Applicants who are selected to go to interview will be advised on or before Monday 20th September 2021.

Interviews of shortlisted candidates take place in Wanaka September 27th, 2021

PRIVACY PROVISIONS

The information requested in this application form will be used solely for the purposes of assessing your application for the Scholarship for which you are applying. Personal information contained in this application will be made available to those persons involved in the selection process.

All information provided by applicants who do not make it through to the interview process will be destroyed.

One copy of all application material for those than are interviewed with be held by the chair of Interview panel for 1 year and then destroyed. All other copies will be destroyed immediately after the scholarship recipient has been decided.

I, agree to the above conditions with respect to my scholarship application to Kahu Youth Trust.

Signed:..... Date:.....

ADVICE TO APPLICANTS

Applications must arrive by the date shown on the application form. No undertaking is given to accept late applications.

It is your responsibility to contact your referees and ask them to send their references to the Scholarships Office. References should be clearly marked with your name and the name of the scholarship(s) for which you are applying. Referees should **not** be asked to send their references to you, as they must have the opportunity to be completely frank. Non receipt of referees reports or incomplete applications may prejudice your eligibility.

Please do not put your application into any sort of folder. Simply attach all pages with ONE staple in the top left-hand corner or email to samantha@kahuyouthtrust.org or drop off at Kahu Youth Centre (the Crib) at 11 Russell St, Wanaka. **All pages should be A4 size.**

If you have any queries regarding your eligibility or how to apply, please contact the Samantha Strong at Kahu Youth on 034435880 or samantha@kahuyouthtrust.org

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Name..... Year level.....

Address.....

Telephone..... Email.....

If you wish, you may add information on separate sheets and attach them to your application.

Outline your performance in academic, cultural, sporting and service areas.

Academic (Qualifications, courses etc.) _____

Cultural _____

Sporting _____

Service _____

If you have left school early, explain what you have been doing in the intervening period?

What steps have you taken to fund the course yourself?

Why do you think you are the best person to receive this scholarship?

Give the names, addresses and phone numbers of two-character references.

Declaration: I declare that the information contained in and provided in connection with this application is true and correct. I acknowledge that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.	
Signature:	Date:

Please submit completed application no later than 5pm Friday 3rd of September 2021 either to samantha@kahuyouthtrust.org or in person to “The Crib” located at 11 Russell St Wanaka, 9305.