Rotary Coundation Rotary District 9800: Year 11-12 Scholarship Claims-Based Grants 2022

Objective - Year 11-12 Scholarship

To encourage talented and motivated young people, currently in Year 10 and facing financial barriers to success, to complete their Year 11 and Year 12 secondary education.

Overview – The Claims-Based Scholarship Grant

Under the claims-based process clubs may apply in 2022 to have Foundation Grant funds reserved for them in support of their Year 11-12 Scholarship project. Grant funds will be paid to approved projects in two instalments, at the end of 2023 and again at the end of 2024, upon receipt of the required report and claim for payment. Grant funding reservations expire on January 31st 2023 (full amount), and January 31st 2024 (second instalment) if a report/claim has not been lodged by the due date.

- Applications open for clubs on October 1st 2022 and close on November 12th 2022.
- Ten claims-based grants are available in 2022 to support clubs with their Year 11-12 Scholarship project for 2023-24.
- One Claims-Based Scholarship Grant is available per club.
- The scholarship is not a handout. It is to be awarded to a student (or two students) who, in the opinion of the school, is talented and motivated, but is hampered by financial disadvantage.
- The scholarships are to be used for the same student(s) each year.
- Each scholarship offered to a school is to be for a total of \$2,000, i.e. \$1,000 for Year 11 and \$1000 for Year 12), which will be supported with a Foundation Grant payment of \$1,000 over two years.
- Scholarship payments of \$1,000 are to be made by the club **directly to the school** at the **beginning** of the 2023 school year, and again at the **beginning** of the 2024 school year.
- The club will be reimbursed a maximum of \$500 by the District 9800 Humanitarian Grants Committee at the end of the 2023 and 2024 school years, upon lodgement of a complete year-end report/claim.
- Grant funding automatically expires if reports/claims are not lodged by the due date.
- Scholarship Grants are available to clubs that are qualified to receive grants, as defined in the <u>Guide to District Grants for Rotary District 9800</u>, available as a download on the District website.
- Clubs that have not previously participated in the Year 11-12 Scholarship Program will be given priority.





Guidelines for Clubs

- Scholarships are to be awarded only through Australian schools, for use within Australia.
- The scholarship can benefit one or two students, as determined by the school.
- If the school elects to support two students, both students receive a scholarship for \$500 for each of years 11 and 12.
- Scholarships are intended for motivated, promising students entering Year 11 in 2023 who are considered by the school to be financially disadvantaged.
- The scholarship can be used for textbooks and stationery, uniforms, camps, excursions, computers, Myki tickets, musical instruments and tuition costs, and other course related costs.
- Clubs are to make the scholarship payment directly to the school, the first instalment of \$1,000 to be paid by the end of January 2023, and the second by the end of January 2024 provided the student or students are proceeding to Year 12.
- The club must obtain **an official receipt from the school** for each of the scholarship payments and send the receipt to the District 9800 Humanitarian Grants Committee **along with the related Interim or Final report/claim**.
- The school is required to account for the full \$1,000 at the end of each year and report expenditure items on the official year-end Interim and Final report forms available to clubs as downloads on the District website. Unspent funds are to be returned.
- Your club will receive the grant payments of \$500 (or proportionately less if scholarships are underspent) at the end of each of the school years upon the receipt of the fully completed report/claim form. Reports together with the school's receipt must be submitted by the due by date.
- The latest date for submission of the Interim Report/Claim is January 31st 2024. For the Final Report/Claim it is January 31st 2025.
- Where reports/claims are not received by the due date, the funding will automatically expire. The Stewardship Committee will not follow up overdue reports.
- Incomplete reports will not be accepted.
- Your club's Year 11-12 Scholarship project should be promoted in your club bulletins, website, social media and club meetings and mention that the Scholarship is provided "with the assistance of a District Grant from The Rotary Foundation".
- Clubs are encouraged to use the Scholarship grant as a way of strengthening the relationship with your local school community and exploring opportunities for participation in other Rotary Youth programs, such as MUNA, RYLA, RYPEN, Youth Exchange etc.





Rotary Year 11-12 Scholarships - Guidelines for Schools

(Please hand to the school officer together with the required Interim and Final report forms) **Purpose**

To encourage talented and motivated young people, currently in Year 10 and facing financial barriers to success, to complete their Year 11 and Year 12 secondary education.

Candidates

The scholarship is to be awarded to a student (or two students) who, in the assessment of the school, is talented and motivated, but is hampered by financial disadvantage.

Disclosure of Beneficiary

Whilst welcomed by Rotary, the disclosure of the name of the recipient(s) is not required.

Scholarship Expenditure

The scholarship will be paid directly to the school to hold on behalf of the scholarship recipient. The school is to provide a receipt to the sponsor Rotary club for the scholarship funds received.

Scholarship funds are not to be paid to the beneficiary or to the family of the beneficiary. All expenditure is to be managed by the school on behalf of the beneficiary. Where the scholarship recipient makes expenditure directly, it is to be reimbursed by the school on the presentation of receipts.

What does the Scholarship Cover?

Scholarship funds can be spent on educational activities and materials, and transport to and from school. The scholarship can be used for textbooks and stationery, uniforms, camps, excursions, computers, Myki tickets, musical instruments and tuition costs and other course related costs

When will the Scholarship funds be Paid to the School?

Your sponsoring Rotary Club will pay your school the first \$1,000 of the scholarship in support of Year 11 expenses prior to the commencement of the school year in 2023. Please provide the school's official receipt to the club.

If the student elects to continue with Year 12 studies in 2024, the second instalment of \$1,000 will be paid prior to the 2024 school year, for which an official receipt is requested.

Scholarship Grant Acquittal

Your school is required to provide an interim report on the form provided by the Rotary Club at the end of the school year 2023. If the student(s) continue on to Year 12 studies, your school is required to provide a second and final report to the Rotary club at the end of 2024. The reports must provide a full account of how the scholarship funds were spent. Schools are strongly encouraged to fully spend the scholarship funds. Underspent funds are to be returned to the sponsoring Rotary club

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