



## Scholarship Policy

Overnewton Anglican Community College is a Prep - Year 12 coeducational College with campuses in Keilor and Taylors Lakes in Melbourne's North West. Overnewton is a proudly inclusive learning community with a strong Christian foundation.

This document sets out the terms and conditions under which Students are provided with a Scholarship at Overnewton Anglican Community College (the College).

The College is committed to providing a wide range of learning opportunities across all areas of the curriculum and nurturing individual students' potential. As part of this commitment, the College makes a number of scholarships available for students with talent and an enthusiasm for learning and excellence.

The College awards scholarships on the basis of the scholarship application and testing process. All scholarship recipients will be expected to actively engage across many aspects of College life.

The College reserves the right to vary and amend the Scholarship Policy from time to time without notice.

### **Eligibility**

1. To be eligible for an Academic Scholarship, applicants must:
  - be an Australian citizen, permanent or temporary resident
  - be a new or current Overnewton student entering Years 5, 7 or 9
  - attend and complete the ACER academic test.
2. All families who are new to the College are required to attend at least one College introduction event. These include but are not limited to, School Alive Tours, Weekly Tours and School based information events.  
  
Enquiries and visits are always welcome and can be arranged by contacting the College.
3. No additional supporting documentation other than information requested by the College, will be taken into consideration when evaluating candidates for scholarships.
4. Scholarship examination results from other schools are not able to be transferred.
5. Current holders of an Overnewton Scholarship are not eligible to apply for a further scholarship.
6. If a student is awarded an Overnewton Scholarship, any bursary, financial discount or other financial support they currently receive will be replaced by the one that provides the most benefit to the student.
7. The College reserves the right to refuse any request of alternative date testing and locations.

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## **Process**

8. To apply for an Overnewton Scholarship applicants must access the online registration process via the College website, complete and submit all required documentation to the College.
9. Overnewton's scholarship test is an Australian Council for Education Research (ACER) test. ACER test results assist Overnewton to recognise academically talented students that will be considered for the award of any of the academic scholarships on offer.
10. Those candidates undertaking an ACER Scholarship test must abide by ACER's examination protocols.
11. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted for an interview.
12. All applicants will be notified in writing of the outcome of their application.
13. Each application for an Overnewton Scholarship will be evaluated on an individual basis and on the applicant's merits.
14. The College reserves the right to set the number and value of scholarships on offer.
15. All applicants will be notified in writing of the outcome of their ACER Scholarship test.
16. The College will not negotiate on the offer of a scholarship. The Principal's decision regarding the award of scholarships is final with no disclosure of rationale or negotiations to be entered into.
17. Names of scholarship recipients may be published in the College's printed and digital materials.
18. Scholarship holders are bound by the College Scholarship Policy, the College Enrolment Policy and Terms and Conditions of Enrolment.
19. If a Scholarship holder withdraws from the College prior to the completion of Year 12, the full value of the scholarship funds awarded for the period up to withdrawal must be repaid in full to the College.



### **Standards and Expectations**

20. Scholarship holders must contribute fully to the life of the College, demonstrating an ongoing commitment to academic progression and improvement, and consistently meeting all work and submission deadlines.
21. Scholarship holders must maintain a visible and positive contribution to the culture of the College through their conduct and behaviour in all areas of school life, including their participation across academic, co-curricular and pastoral aspects of the College.
22. Scholarship holders must ensure exemplary conduct at all times and at all College related activities. In circumstances where a Scholarship holder is suspended for a breach of the College's Rules and/or Policies of the School, the Principal will review the Scholarship award.

### **Scholarship Offer Includes:**

- A reduction of the annual tuition fees only.

### **Scholarship Excludes:**

- ACER Scholarship Test Registration Fee
- College Application Fee (non-refundable)
- College Enrolment Fee (non-refundable)
- College Uniform, Book list and resources
- Additional charges that apply for certain non-core programs or electives which include, but are not limited to:
  - certain VCE and VCE-VM subjects levies
  - private music lessons
  - musical instrument hire
  - optional camps or events
  - optional competition attendance, including travel and accommodation costs
  - interstate and international events
  - public speaking and debating competitions
  - out of hours care and holiday programs
  - elective program registration – eg Duke of Edinburgh Award

### **Scholarship Withdrawal:**

The College reserves the right to review the terms of the Overnewton Scholarship or otherwise, discontinue the scholarship in circumstances where the terms and conditions of the scholarship have not or been or are not being met, including:

- the Principal is not satisfied with the ongoing performance of the scholarship holder
- there is a failure to pay College fees
- considerable College non-attendance
- breaches of the Terms and Conditions of Enrolment or other College policies.