



DANDENONG RANGES STEINER SCHOOL

Scholarship Information & Application Form

Dandenong Ranges Steiner School wishes to facilitate an inclusive and diverse community and make Steiner education more available across our community. Our Scholarships program offers a limited number of subsidised places to eligible applicants, who would otherwise not have the opportunity to enrol in the school, due to financial disadvantage.

The program will offer scholarships for commencement in 2020 in all classes from Class 1 to 6. Each scholarship will provide a subsidy on tuition fees for eligible students for the duration of their enrolment at Dandenong Ranges Steiner School while their family is experiencing financial disadvantage. In most cases, sundry charges such as camps and excursions will be the responsibility of parents/guardians; holders of Pension/Concession Cards can access additional government funding support for costs associated with these activities.

The total number of scholarships awarded for 2020 will depend on the number of applications at each year level, the financial impact, and the social and educational impact on individual classes and the school as a whole.

Who is eligible to apply?

To be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must meet the following conditions:

1. Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
2. Be eligible for enrolment at Dandenong Ranges Steiner School
3. Provide evidence of financial disadvantage, eg, a valid government concession card or other evidence of financial disadvantage. Accepted government concession cards are: Centrelink Health Care Card; Pensioner Concession Card; Veterans Affairs Gold Card
4. A commitment to the principles of Steiner education and Dandenong Ranges Steiner School is expected from parents/guardians of applicants.

How will applications be assessed?

The Finance Committee will assess all applications. Applicants meeting the eligibility criteria will be invited to meet with the Class Teacher to learn more about the school, and for the school to determine if it can meet the needs of the child.

How to apply

All applications will be strictly confidential. To apply for a scholarship commencing in 2020, complete the Scholarship Application Form and attach a copy of your eligible concession card if you have one and submit via email to business.manager@drss.vic.edu.au

Following an initial assessment of the application, all applicants will be notified of their eligibility and if the application has progressed to the Class Teacher meeting stage. Where applicable, the school will provide additional enrolment paperwork for completion and discussion following the Class Teacher meeting.

Key dates for 2020 commencements are as follows:

1. Applications Open – Tuesday, December 17, 2019
2. Applications accepted up until Tuesday, January 28, 2020
3. Student Commencement – Start of, or during, Term 1, 2020.

How can I find out more?

If you have any questions about the school, scholarships or the application process, please contact our Business Manager, Cath Lanigan, by emailing business.manager@drss.vic.edu.au



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Scholarship Application Form

Student Details

Student Surname: Student Given Name:

Student Date of Birth: Male ☐ Female ☐ Other ☐

Is the student an Australian Citizen: Yes ☐ No ☐

Name of current school:.....

How long has the student been attending current school?

Name of any previous school (if applicable)

What year level would the child be commencing in 2020:

Family Information

Name of Parent/Guardian 1 (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss/Dr)

Full name

Street Address

Suburb/ City..... State Postcode

Home phone Work phone

Mobile Phone

Email address:

Does the student live with this parent/guardian? Yes ☐ No ☐

Name of Parent/Guardian 2 (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss/Dr)

Full name

Street Address

Suburb/ City..... State Postcode

Home phone Work phone

Mobile Phone

Email address:

Does the student live with this parent/guardian? Yes ☐ No ☐

Why Dandenong Ranges Steiner School?

Please tell us why you have chosen to apply for a scholarship at DRSS

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Eligibility

Our scholarships program provides subsidised places to eligible applicants who would otherwise not have the opportunity to enrol in the school due to financial disadvantage. Is the child named above a dependent child named on any of the following cards (please tick):

- ☐ Centrelink Health Care Card
- ☐ Pensioner Concession Card
- ☐ Veterans Affairs Gold Card

If your child is not named as a dependent child on any of the above cards, please provide an explanation as to why you consider yourself to be experiencing financial disadvantage (NB it is generally expected that scholarship holders will meet the low income criteria for one of the above cards).

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Terms and Conditions

1. To be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must meet all of the following conditions:
 - Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
 - Be eligible for enrolment at DRSS
 - Provide evidence of financial hardship. Generally, this will be met if the child is named as the card holder or a dependent child on a valid government concession card within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is on a:
 - Centrelink Health Care Card
 - Pensioner Concession Card
 - Veterans Affairs Gold Card
 - A commitment to the principles of Steiner education and to CSSK is expected from parents / carers of applicants.
2. Families must formally apply for a scholarship via the DRSS Scholarship Application Form.
3. Holders of scholarships will be bound by the same rules and responsibilities and awarded the same rights as other students at DRSS
4. Assessment of eligibility and offer of a scholarship is solely at the discretion of DRSS
5. Scholarships can be awarded from Class 1 to Class 6
6. Scholarships are subject to review each year. It is expected that scholarships are awarded until the completion of Class 6, however DRSS may choose to award a scholarship for a shorter period.
7. A scholarship may be terminated by the school in the event of serious breach of school rules, codes of conduct by the recipient or their parents / carers, or if their account falls into default according to the fee retrieval policy.

Signatures

We acknowledge that the information provided in this form is true and correct and will be used to assist DRSS to assess this application for the Scholarship Program. We have read and agree to the terms and conditions.

Parent/ Guardian 1 name

Signature (Parent/Guardian 1) Date / /

Parent/ Guardian 2 name

Signature (Parent/Guardian 2) Date / /