



Harbord Financial Services Limited

Freshwater
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 **Bendigo Bank**

Freshwater **Community Bank®** Branch Tertiary Scholarship Program

SELECTION CRITERIA

It is intended that the twin criteria of academic excellence and community involvement will provide the basis for the determination of scholarship recipients. Principals of each of the participating Schools will decide and nominate which student at their School has best met the above criteria. Ideally, the nominee will also have an active account at the Freshwater **Community Bank®** Branch or be considering that prospect.

Given the timing of the school academic year, Principals will need to determine academic excellence of potential nominees on the basis of HSC school-based assessment. Academic excellence is to be demonstrated by equivalent all-rounder capacity (i.e.; - likely achievement above 90% in ten units (five subjects) for which the student is a candidate for the Higher School Certificate).

On the basis of nomination by a School, the student will automatically qualify for a scholarship of \$1,000, with a further \$4,000 to follow should the student meet the academic component by being included on the NSW Education Standards Authority All-rounders list that is published state wide in December each year.

Community involvement will be determined by the individual School on the basis of a student's involvement in a range of activities undertaken either within the local community, Australia-wide, or internationally. The Community Criteria Involvement Criteria, which includes a range of categories defining community involvement can be found on the Harbord Financial Services website.

It is intended, as in previous years that representatives of Freshwater **Community Bank®** Branch will be in attendance to present these Scholarships at the respective School's Awards and Presentation Nights. These representatives may also include Freshwater **Community Bank®** Branch Scholars who have been past students at your School.



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COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT CATEGORIES

CATEGORY	ACTIVITY	ACHIEVEMENT	OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT
CULTURAL	MUSIC	Orchestral member, Instrument or voice proficiency	Performance recognition
	ART, FILM, DRAMA	Production of short film, Theatrical performance or direction	Gallery Acceptance Awards, Critical Recognition & Awards
	LITERATURE	Creative writing, Poetry	Publication Publication
	CRAFT	Proficiency in a particular craft	Gallery & Art show recognition
	DANCE	Proficiency in dance form	Recognition in Eisteddfod's & Dance competitions
	DEBATING	Inter school debating	Public speaking competitions
SPORTS	TEAM	Local representation	State, National, International Representation
	INDIVIDUAL	Local representation	State, National, International Representation
CHARITABLE	LOCAL, STATE, INTERNATIONAL	Fundraising, Participation	Developing programs that lead to positive social change
SERVICE	SERVICE ORGANISATIONS AND PROJECTS	Participation and leadership in service and youth organisations	EXAMPLES: Duke of Edinburgh – GOLD AWARD; Queens Scout or Guide; Surf Life Saving Awards; Lions / Rotary Awards
	BUSH REGENERATION	Weed infestation removal in a particular area	Local / Government recognition
ENVIRONMENT	RECYCLING	Participation in a project	Leadership
	FAUNA PROTECTION	Participation in a project	Leadership
	COMMUNITY GARDENS & PUBLIC VERGING	Participation in establishing a community garden or public verging	Leadership in establishing gardens and verging
	COASTAL PROJECTS	Active involvement with Maritime Reserves, Dune restoration	Recognized leadership



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Freshwater **Community Bank**[®] Branch Student of the Year Scholarship

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The Scholarship recipient in this category will be determined by an Independent Scholarship Adjudicating Panel from the pool of nominees submitted by the participating schools. In effect, this will mean that one outstanding student will be awarded a further \$10,000 on top of the initial \$5,000. This student will only be drawn from those nominees who have been included on the BOSTES All-rounders List.

As a measure of probity and transparency, the Independent Scholarship Adjudicating Panel will again comprise both prominent educators and representatives of the community not directly associated with either the Freshwater **Community Bank**[®] Branch or the participating schools. The new local Member for Manly James Griffin has agreed to come on as a member of this Panel. A Director of Freshwater **Community Bank**[®] Branch will act as Secretary to the Panel.

Freshwater **Community Bank**[®] Branch and the Adjudicating Panel will hold an appropriate function to announce the recipient with attendant media coverage.

In the case of all Scholarship recipients, Freshwater **Community Bank**[®] Branch will, upon receipt of evidence of enrolment, arrange for an initial amount to be deposited into the nominee's account at the Freshwater **Community Bank**[®] Branch. Upon successful completion of the first two semesters of the undergraduate degree, a further payment will be made into this account.

Should the student undertake a gap year, the funds will be held in abeyance on the student's behalf pending resumption of tertiary study the following year.

Non- resumption of tertiary studies will result in forfeiture of the scholarship.