EDMUND RICE COLLEGE BURSARIES

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

Since its foundation in 1926, Edmund Rice College has been committed to providing access to a Catholic education for all boys regardless of individual family financial circumstances. Each year the College will provide a limited number of Bursaries to students, who might otherwise be excluded from the College for financial reasons. The Bursaries are means tested and reviewed annually. They are available to students applying for entry to Year 7, and to current students.

What is a Bursary?
A Bursary is a reduction in the fees set by the College.
• A Bursary is awarded for one year only and must be re-applied for annually.

A Bursary may be allocated, at the discretion of the Principal in the following two instances:
• To a student whose family's financial circumstances would normally preclude him from an Edmund Rice College education.
• To a student whose family's financial circumstances undergo serious hardship during his enrolment at the College.

In each instance, the parents or carers are asked to:
• Be pro-active in notifying the College Business Manager of your circumstances.
• Complete the Application for Bursary form and return it to the College by the due date.
• Collect and submit the relevant supporting documentation with your application.
• If required, meet with the Principal and/or Business Manager to discuss your situation.

Who can apply?
Families experiencing genuine financial hardship. The College does not have the capacity to provide Bursaries for all applications. A priority list will be determined upon review of the written applications received and interviews.

Means Testing
The Bursary is means tested. The applicant's family/carer will be required to provide a detailed statement of their financial position. This includes:
• A statement of assets and liabilities.
• Copies of 2015 tax assessment notices for both parents/carers (as applicable).
• A current Centrelink statement outlining any benefits you receive (if applicable).
• Other relevant evidence to substantiate financial hardship.
Conditions of the Bursary

- Confirmation that genuine financial hardship exists.

- Satisfactory progress of the student, which will be reviewed annually.

- A commitment by parents/carers to pay the balance of school fees owing by the end of the current school year (or as outlined in an agreed payment plan).

- An annual review of the parents'/carers' financial situation, requiring resubmission of all financial information.

- Year 9 Optional Ski Trip
  Please note that in keeping with the philosophy of the Bursary program and the significant extra cost associated with Optional Year 9 Ski Trip, parents will not be able to apply for a Bursary for a son in Year 9 if he is going to attend the Optional Year 9 Ski Trip.

TIMELINE FOR BURSARIES IN 2016

How to apply

1. Complete the Application for Bursary form, which can be obtained by contacting the College Office or downloading from the Edmund Rice College website.

2. If the student is not currently enrolled at the College, you should complete the Application for Bursary form and submit it with your Enrolment Application form.

3. Forward the application (with all required supporting documentation) to the College marked ‘Private & Confidential for the Attention of the Business Manager’.

4. The application deadline is 27th November 2015.

5. If an interview is required, you will be contacted by the College with an appointment time to see the Principal and/or Business Manager.

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For more information contact the Business Manager at the College – Ph: 4228 4344