



## Context:

As a Marist school, Sacred Heart College is committed to fostering and promoting academic achievement, as well as assisting families who are financially challenged. The basis of this philosophy is found in the Vision Statement of the school, which justifies the endowment of funds for those who fulfil the criteria for each respective bursary.

## Principles:

- Bursaries are offered at particular stages throughout the school to:
  - promote academic achievement
  - assist families whose financial circumstances might otherwise preclude them from attending the school
  - support families currently enrolled in the College
- A variety of bursaries will be available to cater for differing abilities and circumstances of students and the criteria associated with each bursary will be made available to the entire school community.
- Application for bursaries will be promoted and be accessible to all students.
- Bursaries will be facilitated by College personnel but recipients endorsed by the College Executive or Leadership Team. A member of the Executive or Leadership Team will be a member of all Bursary Committees.
- Bursaries winners will be published and promoted within the school community
- The range and nature of the bursaries will be the object of annual review by the College Executive.

### Cessation of a Bursary

- Tenure of any bursary shall cease if a student ceases to be enrolled at Sacred Heart College.
- Students will hold only one bursary at any one time at Sacred Heart College.
- The Principal may, with reasonable notice, revoke a bursary for any reason considered appropriate, and particularly if a student is failing to meet their responsibilities as outlined in the College Student Diary and/or contravening the College ethos.
- In each instance, recommendations regarding bursary winners will be made to the Principal for approval.

## Marcellin Campus Bursaries:

### Henry and Richard Whiting Bursary

The Henry and Richard Whiting Bursary is presented at the Year 10 and 11 Awards Assembly.

The Henry and Richard Whiting Bursary was established by the Whiting Family in memory of their late sons and brothers Henry and Richard Whiting. The Bursary provides an allocated sum towards school fees for a Year 10 boarding student to complete Years 11 and 12 at Sacred Heart College.

## Criteria for the Bursary:



The bursary will be subject to an annual review of the student's ability to remain within the initial selection criteria. At the discretion of the Whiting Family and the School Principal a bursary may, from time to time, be offered to a student on a one-year basis.

Criteria for selection:

- The Bursaries are open to all Year 10 boarding students, but preference will be given to those families who find boarding fees a considerable burden.
- The students must be able to demonstrate a willingness to apply themselves to study and work to the best of their ability.
- It is an expectation that the student will be involved in school activities and have a commitment to their community both at home and at the College.

Selection process

- The student's family will be required to formally apply for a bursary for their son or daughter by completing a bursary application form.
- A short list of applicants will be drafted and those students will be interviewed by a select committee, including the Director of Boarding
- All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application.

The Award winner is presented with a certificate, medal and an allocated sum towards their school fees to complete Years 11 and 12 at Sacred Heart College. The number of recipients and the size of the bursary varies at the discretion of the Whiting family. The award is presented at the Year 10 Farewell Liturgy by a representative from the Whiting family (if available), or by the Principal or his nominee.

### [Sam Climpson-Stewart Bursary](#)

The Sam Climpson-Stewart Bursary is presented at the Year 10 and 11 Awards Assembly.

Sam was killed in an accident at Keith in 2007. His family, from Pt Augusta, initiated this award in his memory.

This Bursary is awarded to an existing Year 10 boarding student who is entering Year 11 at Sacred Heart College Senior.

Criteria for selection:

- Will be a Boarder at Sacred Heart College
- Is respected by staff and peers for contribution made to the spirit of the Boarding House
- Is involved in the wider life of the school

Selection process:

The Business Manager consults with the Director of Boarding to determine a list of worthy recipients. The final decision is made by the Principal. The Award winner is presented with a certificate, medal and an allocated sum towards their school fees to complete Year 11. The size of the bursary varies at the discretion of the Climpson-Stewart family. The award is presented at the Year 10 Farewell Liturgy by a representative from the Climpson-Stewart family (if available), or by the Principal or his nominee.

## Nicholas Peterson Bursary

The Nick Peterson Bursary is presented at the Year 10 and 11 Awards Assembly.

Nick was killed by a shark off West Beach in 2004. His family, from Ardrossan, initiated this award in his memory.

The bursary is awarded to an existing Year 11 boarding student for their Year 12 studies who is a good all-rounder and who exhibits to a high degree the personal qualities that were characteristic of Nick Peterson. These include:

- A person who has made a significant contribution to the school and the wider community
- A person who has demonstrated initiative and responsibility and has been a role model for others
- A person who has demonstrated courage
- A person who has been inclusive and welcoming of others
- A person who has been a risk-taker, comfortable with their own individuality

Selection process:

The student is to be selected by a panel of Boarding House staff chaired by the Director of Boarding, and a recommendation is then to be made to the Principal. The Award winner is presented with a certificate, medal and an allocated sum towards their school fees to complete Year 12. The size of the bursary varies at the discretion of the Peterson family. The award is presented at the Year 11 Farewell Liturgy by a representative from the Peterson family (if available), or by the Principal or his nominee.

## Sacred Heart Old Collegians (SHOCs) Bursaries

The Old Collegians (SHOCs) Bursaries are presented at the Year 10 and 11 Awards Assembly.

These Bursaries are awarded to two female and two male Year 11 student for their Year 12 studies at Sacred Heart College. The grant is by the Sacred Heart Old Collegians Association and the criteria for the award include:

- Reference to recent academic achievements and
- The contribution to the school community, including participation in both curricular and co-curricular activities.

Applications must include:-

1. Photocopies of Year 11 results.
2. A 500-800 word essay referring to the following:-
  - How you have contributed to Sacred Heart College e.g. Co-curricular activities?
  - How you can contribute to improving the relationship between the Old Collegians and current students?
  - In what ways Sacred Heart College has benefited you in life?
  - How you think you would contribute to the Old Collegians after you leave Sacred Heart College? (Please note with reference to points 1 & 2, the successful recipients of the bursaries will be expected to make every effort to act upon their proposal).
3. A letter of reference from a current SHC staff member.

The final decision on the recipients of the bursaries will be based on both application and interview. The Director of Marist Mission (SHC) will be a member of the selection committee and present the recommendations to the Principal.

Expectations of recipients of bursary:

- That they will be the College representative for the SHOC Association

- They will present at assembly throughout the year
  - After receiving the bursary the students are expected to raise awareness and inform the current students about SHOC and their role in the College community;
  - Prior to the applications being opened for the ensuing year's bursary, the students will be expected to inform the Year 11 students about the bursary and the criteria and application process.
- The Bursary recipients will be allocated a mentor from the SHOC Association committee to provide guidance and to be a liaison for their SHOC role throughout the year.

The Award winners are presented with a certificate, medal and financial reward (each receives \$1000 remission for the subsequent year's school fees, and \$500 personal cheque) by the President of the SHOC.

### Foundation Bursary (formerly known as The Wadsworth Bursary) - An All Rounder Award

The Foundation Bursary is presented at the Year 10 and 11 Awards Assembly.

Awarded to one Year 11 student as identified by the SHOCs selection committee above and recommended to the Principal. This bursary is funded by the Sacred Heart College Foundation. The criteria is based on the All Rounder Award. This award does not recognize the champion in a particular subject, sport or service activity. Rather, it recognizes someone who participates in a wide range of activities and achieves excellent results. Such a person best exemplifies those qualities of a holistic Marist education which the College values and nurtures.

This Bursary was originally made possible due to the generosity of an Old Scholar of Sacred Heart College, Bernie Wadsworth, who was a Nuclear Scientist, at MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) in the United States but is now funded by the Sacred Heart College Foundation.

The Award winner is presented with a certificate, medal and financial reward (\$1000 remission for the subsequent year's school fees) by a representative from the College Foundation.

### Sharon Jeloscek Memorial Bursary

The scholarship is in memory of Sharon Jeloscek who spent 32 years at Sacred Heart College. Sharon was an English Senior, House Leader, Director of Curriculum, Deputy Principal and Acting Principal.

Selection Criteria:

This award will be awarded to one student entering Year 12 each year who shows the spirit championed by Sharon; a determination to overcome challenge, uniqueness, passionate and displaying grit. It may not necessarily be the highest achiever but the hardest worker. The award is open to all, with the hope of being inclusive to a variety of students from a variety of backgrounds.

It will be funded by Lee Jeloscek, Sharon's son. The Bursary provides an allocated sum towards school fees for the Bursary recipient at Sacred Heart College.

Selection Process:

Staff encouraged to nominate students they believe have shown qualities admired by Sharon. Students will also be invited to apply, explaining how they meet and exceed the characteristics outlined in the criteria.

A group of staff close to Sharon, in conjunction with the Principal choose the top 3-5 candidates.

The shortlisted final group of applicants is sent to Lee Jeloscek along with evidence of work to assist in decision and student profile. (Lee reserves the right to not grant the scholarship in the event that a suitable candidate is not found).

Winner to be announced with other end of Year 11 academic awards ahead of the student's Year 12.

## Champagnat Campus Bursaries:

A consultative process is conducted amongst the staff to identify suitable students for each of the following Awards. The Champagnat Campus Leadership Team (CCLT) then recommends the recipients to the Principal.

### Champagnat Award

This award recognises an exceptional student in each year level who models the key characteristics of a Sacred Heart College student. They uphold and actively participates in our Catholic and Marist Heritage within the life of the College. They are respectful and open in their encounters with members of Sacred Heart College Community. This student has attained personal excellence in their academic, social and curriculum extension activities. They are a role model to fellow students in the way they live out the student values of being Connected, Enthusiastic, Caring, Productive and Safe. The recipient receives \$2000 from the Sacred Heart College Foundation.

### Marcellin Spirit Award

This award is named after our Patron Saint, Marcellin Champagnat. This award is in recognition of a Year 9 student who has shown enthusiasm, friendliness and commitment in their approach to their schooling, towards their colleagues and the life of the school. This student is respected by their peers and is inclusive in their relationships. The recipient receives \$1000 reduction on their Year 10 School Fees and is awarded by the Sacred Heart Old Collegians.

### Sister Marie Ralph – Christian Service Award

The award is presented to a student in Year 9 who reflects an open hearted generosity in providing service to others in a variety of ways. The recipient is someone who freely volunteers their time and is actively involved in outreach both within and outside the school. They display initiative and are consistent with their willingness to be actively involved in Christian Service. Generally they go about things quietly and put love into action in very real ways. The recipient receives \$500 from the Sacred Heart College Foundation from funds donated by Sr Marie's brother John and his wife, Barbara.

### Brother Jordan Redden Award

This award recognises a Year 9 student who is present to the community, who actively lives out the Marist family spirit in their relationships with their peers and Sacred Heart College staff, and who demonstrates a love of work in their chosen pursuits. The recipient will also adopt the characteristic of simplicity in their choices and decisions. Finally, the recipient will act in the way of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, endeavouring to do good quietly and recognising that in using their gifts to the best of their ability, they are saying "yes" to God's plan for them. The recipient receives \$1000 reduction on their Year 10 School Fees and is awarded by the Sacred Heart Old Collegians.

### Aboriginal Bursary

Indigenous bursaries are awarded to students in Years 10, 11 or 12 who satisfy the enrolment criteria and have a desire to be educated in the Marist tradition.

Criteria for selection:

- Students must be eligible for ABSTUDY
- Students must have the approval of families and local communities before applying for bursaries
- Students need to have a sufficient understanding of English language that will allow them to access the curriculum at senior secondary school level.

Selection process:

Upon receipt of an application the College Registrar will forward the application to the Aboriginal Transition Support Teacher (ATST) who will review the criteria associated with the applicant and inform the Principal. In the normal course of events, contact is made either directly or indirectly with the applicant and their family so that a personal assessment of the individual circumstances can be undertaken.

An interview will be conducted with the Principal and the ATST to ensure an appropriate educational plan and support, if required, can meet the learning needs of the student. Boarding students will also meet with the Director of Boarding.

Suitable students will be recommended to the Smith Family organisation to apply for the Indigenous Youth Leadership Program bursaries.

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