Scholarship Application

Catherine McAuley Justice Scholarship

Name ____________________________

Scholarship Entry Level:  Year 8 ☐ Year 11 ☐
Scholarship Application

Particulars of Applicant

Family Name ___________________________  Given Names ___________________________
Gender _______________________________  Date of Birth __________________________
Address _______________________________

____________________________________  ______________________________________
Post code ______________________________  Parish ______________________________
Present School __________________________  Year Level __________________________

Religion ________________________________

Particulars of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)/Carer(s)

Father
Title (Mr, Dr etc) __________________________
Family Name ____________________________

Given Names ___________________________
Address __________________________________

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Post Code ______________________________  Telephone (h) ________________________
Telephone (w) __________________________  Telephone (m) ________________________
Email _________________________________  Email ________________________________
Occupation ____________________________
Religion _______________________________
Mercedes College Old Scholar Yes/No ______

Mother
Title (Mrs, Ms, Miss, Dr etc) __________________________
Family Name ____________________________
Maiden Name ____________________________
Given Names ____________________________
Address _______________________________

____________________________________  ______________________________________
Post Code ______________________________  Telephone (h) ________________________
Telephone (w) __________________________  Telephone (m) ________________________
Email _________________________________  Email ________________________________
Occupation ____________________________
Religion _______________________________
Mercedes College Old Scholar Yes/No ______

Parent(s)/Guardian(s)/Carer(s) Signature

I have read the terms and conditions of enrolment at Mercedes College. I agree to support the expectations and policies of the College and the Conditions of Acceptance if my child is granted a Scholarship.

Signature ____________________________  Signature _____________________________
(Father)  (Mother)
Date _________________________________  Date _________________________________

Attachments Provided (3 copies)

1. Previous Year School Report [ ]
2. Copy of Sacramental Certificates [ ]
   a. Baptism [ ]
   b. Confirmation [ ]
   c. Eucharist [ ]
3. Student Personal Statement [ ]
Personal Statement
All three of the following criteria for a *Catherine McAuley Justice Scholarship* must be met for eligibility. Please use the space below to address each of these criteria as fully as you can. (Please attach additional pages if required)

1. Financial, socio economical and compassionate circumstances
2. Involvement in own faith community
3. Evidence of potential talent in academic studies
**Scholarships at Mercedes College**

**Criteria for Awarding Scholarships**

Mercedes College offers four *Catherine McAuley Justice Scholarships* annually to internal and external students entering Year 8 or Year 11.

Scholarships are awarded taking into consideration the extent of which the applicant meets all **three** of the following criteria:

1. **Financial, socioeconomic and compassionate circumstances**
2. **Involvement in own faith community**
3. **Evidence of potential talent in academic studies**

**Mercedes College will offer:**

- Two full or four half Scholarships from Year 8 to Year 12
- Two full or four half Scholarships from Year 11 to Year 12

The Scholarship(s) will be awarded at the discretion of the Principal of Mercedes College. No scholarship(s) shall be awarded if, in the opinion of the Principal, no candidate is of sufficient merit.

Students wishing to apply are required to submit the *Catherine McAuley Justice Scholarship Application Form*.

**Policy Statement**

1. Mercedes College awards the *Catherine McAuley Justice Scholarship* to provide enrolment opportunities to students who would benefit from and contribute to Catholic Education at Mercedes College.
2. The *Catherine McAuley Justice Scholarship* will be awarded to a student or students who demonstrate a commitment to ‘holistic education, preparing them for life, service, leadership and membership of the global community’ (Mercedes College Strategic Plan 2008 – 2012).
3. The Scholarship(s) will be awarded based on the criteria, which takes into account the merit and need of eligible students. All criteria must be met and addressed in the written application for the awarding of scholarships.
4. The successful applicant/s will be bound by the same policies and guidelines required from all students enrolled at Mercedes College.
5. Students will be required to abide by the strong values-centred Catholic education based on the tradition of the Sisters of Mercy; the Mercy Keys of Compassion, Loyalty, Justice, Integrity, Responsibility and Mutual Respect.

**Applications**

Applications for awarding Scholarships for the 2016 academic year will close on Friday 29 May, 2015 at 4.00pm.

**Information Required**

Parents, guardians and/or carers of applicants are required to complete the *Catherine McAuley Justice Scholarship Application Form*. All applications will be treated as confidential to the Scholarship Selection Committee.

Applicants are required to provide a 200 word Personal Statement outlining how they believe they will contribute to, or continue to contribute to, and benefit from an education at Mercedes College.

**Three photocopies** of the application accompanied with the following documentation is required:

1. Relevant Sacramental Certificates for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.
2. Applicant’s school Report for the end of the previous academic year.
3. Name and address of two Referees who can be contacted to validate and support the application (this could include the school Principal or teacher, community leader, Parish Priest, sporting club or club leader).

**Students short listed for an interview will be required to present a Personal Portfolio outlining their interests, affiliations and achievements to discuss with the Scholarship Selection Committee.**

**Conditions of Acceptance**

Students who accept a scholarship will agree to commit to their own personal educational progress consistent with the principles of enrolment for all students.

**Lodgement of Application**

Please address all applications and queries to:

PA to Head of Middle and Senior Schools

Mercedes College
540 Fullarton Road
Springfield SA 5062

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e mercedes@mercedes.catholic.edu.au
w www.mercedes.catholic.edu.au
Privacy Policy

Applying for a Scholarship

Mercedes College values and respects your privacy. Furthermore the College is committed to ensuring that it complies at all times with its obligations contained in the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988.

The Privacy Principles set out in the Act determine how information is:

• Collected
• Used
• Kept and secured, and
• Disclosed to others

In applying for this scholarship you will be providing Mercedes College with personal information. The following is our policy under the Privacy Act in applying the National Privacy Principles:

1. If you provide us with personal information, for example, your name and address or other information you consider relevant, we will collect the information in order to assess the Scholarship application.

Please note: in some cases where the College requests personal information and that information is not obtained this may prejudice your application.

2. An opportunity will be provided during an interview with the Scholarship Selection Committee, for short listed applicants to provide additional information, which may be of a sensitive nature, which you may not wish to provide in writing but which would address the Scholarship criteria.

3. You acknowledge and accept that the College may use this information for keeping you informed about matters related to schooling in general and Mercedes College in particular, through correspondence, newsletters and magazines.

4. You acknowledge and accept that we may store this information for 12 months from the advertised date of closure of scholarship applications.

5. You may seek access to your personal information that we hold about you if your application for scholarship is unsuccessful. However, there will be occasions when access may be denied. Such occasions would include where access would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of others.

6. We will not disclose this information to a third party without your specific consent.

7. If you provide us with the personal information of others (such as referee names and contact details), we encourage you to inform them that you are disclosing that information to the College and why, that they can access that information if they wish, that the School does not disclose the information to third parties and that we may store their information for 12 months from the closing date for applications.

8. It is recommended that you obtain additional information on the way the College deals with information. If you would like further information about the way the College manages the information it holds, a full copy of our privacy policy can be obtained by contacting the Registrar, or visiting our website at www.mercedes.catholic.edu.au

9. If you have any concerns about our privacy policy or the way the College is dealing with your information, you are invited to contact the College in writing to:

Mr Peter Daw
The Principal
540 Fullarton Road
Springfield SA 5062

or by e-mail mercedes@mercedes.catholic.edu.au
Mercedes College is a co-educational, Reception to Year 12 Catholic school in the Mercy tradition, providing a caring and supportive learning environment.

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