
Scholarship Policy

Alphington Grammar School ("AGS") is committed to developing well-rounded, world-ready individuals. Our core value of excellence underpins everything we do in pursuit of our personal best.

This document outlines the Terms and Conditions under which students are awarded Scholarships at AGS. Scholarship holders are bound by both these Scholarship Terms and Conditions and the AGS Terms and Conditions of Enrolment.

AGS reserves the right to amend these Terms and Conditions in line with the operational needs of the School.

1. Introduction:

As part of AGS's commitment to developing well-rounded, world-ready individuals, Scholarships are available for students who demonstrate excellent talent, ability and an enthusiasm for learning.

2. Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to outline:

- Types of Scholarships awarded by AGS;
- Criteria for the awarding of Scholarships;
- Application and Registration Process;
- Outcome Notification Process;
- Offer and Acceptance Process; and
- Scholarship Terms and Conditions.

3. Types of Scholarships Available:

AGS offers a range of Scholarships annually. Scholarship offerings may vary from year to year. The Scholarships currently available are:

- Academic Excellence;
- General Excellence;
- Excellence in Greek (Language);
- Excellence in The Arts (Fine/Visual Art);
- Excellence in Music;
- Excellence in Sport; and
- Excellence in Greek Music.

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4. Criteria for the Awarding of Scholarships:

- 4.1. The award of Scholarships is based on two (2) or more of the following criteria:
- a) results of the Academic Scholarship examination facilitated by Edutest;
 - b) results of additional testing (written, oral and/or practical examination)
 - c) an audition, practical assessment or training session where relevant;
 - d) scholarship application form and supporting documentation including school reports, portfolio, candidate response form, recognised awards etc. as outlined on the website and application form; and
 - e) an interview with the Principal and/or a Selection Panel.

- 4.2. Scholarships are not means tested and are at the absolute discretion of AGS.
- 4.3. Applicants must be an Australian citizen or a permanent Australian resident.
Scholarships are not available to full-fee-paying overseas students.

5. Application and Registration Process:

- 5.1. The opening and closing dates for the Scholarship Program will be published on the AGS website.
- 5.2. To apply for a Scholarship, a candidate must:
 - a) Register online by visiting the Alphington Grammar School website:
<http://www.alphington.vic.edu.au/enrolment/scholarships>;
 - b) Complete and submit to AGS and/or Edutest all required documentation or information for the Scholarship category applied for; and
 - c) Pay the non-refundable Academic Scholarship Registration Fee of \$104.50 inc. GST, set by and payable to Edutest; and/or
 - d) Pay the non-refundable Scholarship Application Fee of \$100 inc. GST, set by AGS for all other Scholarship types.
- 5.3. Only complete applications will be considered.
- 5.4. It is the responsibility of the Applicant to ensure that the application is submitted in full, that all required information and supporting documentation is provided and that the relevant application fee has been successfully paid before the program closes.
- 5.5. The Applicant is responsible for ensuring they have received an email acknowledgement from Alphington Grammar School confirming receipt and review of their submission.
- 5.6. No late applications or amendments to a submission will be accepted once the program has been closed and no exceptions will be made.

6. Scholarship Outcome Notification:

- 6.1. All Applicants, both successful and unsuccessful, will be notified by email of the outcome of their Scholarship application by the end of Term 1 break, 2027.
- 6.2. Successful Applicants will receive written confirmation of their Scholarship offer, including any applicable terms and conditions.
- 6.3. As advertised, individual score results from the Academic Edutest examination will not be provided to families.
- 6.4. Scholarships are awarded at the sole discretion of the Principal. No correspondence pertaining to any individual's application, or the award, will be entered into once the School has made its decision. AGS will not negotiate on the offer of a Scholarship.

7. Scholarship Offers and Acceptance:

- 7.1. Successful Scholarship applicants will receive a Scholarship Offer stating:
 - a) The percentage of Scholarship offered. All Scholarship offers are expressed as a percentage of tuition fees only. Tuition fees are based on the published annual AGS Fee Schedule available on the AGS website. Scholarships do not apply to other fees, levies or charges, including Consolidated Fees, ICT/Building Levies, or any other fees and charges incurred by the Student or family. The minimum Scholarship offered by AGS is 20% of tuition fees.
 - b) The period (years and duration) of award.
 - c) The Scholarship Policy outlining applicable Terms and Conditions.
- 7.2. To confirm acceptance of a Scholarship Offer, Parents/Parent Liaisons must sign and

return the Scholarship Acceptance Form provided with the Scholarship Letter of Offer by the due date. Offers not accepted by this date will be withdrawn. No extensions to this offer will be provided.

- 7.3. Upon acceptance of this offer, students who do not currently attend AGS or have not already confirmed a future placement at AGS will then need to follow standard AGS Enrolment Procedure in order to finalise a place at the School. This includes:
- a) Completion of an Application for Enrolment Form (if not already submitted) along with application fee payment of \$120 inc. GST.
 - b) Provide required documentation to complete the applicant's file as directed by the Registrar;
 - c) Attend an Enrolment Interview with the Principal and/or relevant Head of School.
 - d) Following the Enrolment Interview, the applicant will be sent an Enrolment Letter of Offer. Parents/Parent Liaisons must pay the A\$1,250 non-refundable Confirmation of Enrolment Acceptance Fee within seven (7) days. This fee confirms a position in the nominated year level and will not be deducted from future tuition invoices or refunded if the student does not commence.
 - e) More information regarding the Enrolment Procedure can be found in AGS Terms and Conditions of Enrolment available via the following link:
www.alphington.vic.edu.au/our-school/policies-and-procedures/domestic/

8. Scholarship Terms and Conditions:

- 8.1. Acceptance of a Scholarship at AGS binds Scholarship recipients to both the AGS Scholarship Terms and Conditions and the AGS Terms and Conditions of Enrolment, as updated from time to time.
- 8.2. Offer and award of Scholarships are provided at the absolute discretion of the School.
- 8.3. The decision on the award of Scholarships is final and AGS will not disclose any rationale for the decision of the award.
- 8.4. AGS will not negotiate on the offer of a Scholarship.
- 8.5. Scholarships must be redeemed for the year they are awarded and cannot be held over for future years of entry.
- 8.6. Scholarships are not transferable to another student.
- 8.7. Only one Scholarship may be accepted by a Student at any one time. Where a Student is awarded a combined Scholarship, the applicable scholarship discount will be applied as a single total discount and will not be applied cumulatively or in addition to one another.
- 8.8. On acceptance of a Scholarship, all other fee concessions and discounts are voided. The benefit of a Scholarship supersedes any other discounts, including sibling discounts.
- 8.9. All Scholarships are offered to students with the expectation that they complete their education up to Year 12 at AGS.
- 8.10. Applicants must repay to the School the full value of all concessions received by the Student under the scholarship if the family chooses to withdraw the Student before the expiry of the scholarship duration period.
- 8.11. Where the Student is the recipient of a Scholarship, and the Student's enrolment is terminated or otherwise comes to an end by mutual agreement between the School and the Applicants, the Applicants will be required to repay to the School the value of any Scholarship benefit provided or expended.
- 8.12. Students who are awarded an Academic Excellence Scholarship are expected to

- maintain their academic performance across curricular programs.
- 8.13. Students who are awarded an Excellence in Greek Scholarship are expected to maintain their academic performance and continue their studies in Greek until Year 12.
- 8.14. Students who are awarded a General Excellence Scholarship are expected to contribute fully to the life of the School and to maintain their academic performance across curricular and co-curricular programs.
- 8.15. Students who are awarded an Excellence in The Arts Scholarship are expected to continue their studies in the Arts until Year 12 (or to continue to actively contribute meaningfully to AGS Arts Program).
- 8.16. Students who are awarded an Excellence in Music Scholarship are expected to continue their studies in the Performing Arts (Music) until Year 12. Participation in two annual music ensembles, and contribution to a range of events in support of the Arts ethos of the School is also expected.
- 8.17. Students who are awarded an Excellence in Sports Scholarship are expected to represent AGS in their nominated Sport, including EISM fixtures, House and Interschool Carnivals, School Training Squads and additional competitions and representative opportunities as required by the Head of Sport. Students must maintain their academic performance across curricular and co-curricular programs.
- 8.18. Students who are awarded an Excellence in Greek Music Scholarship are expected to continue their studies in the Performing Arts to Year 12 (or to continue to actively contribute meaningfully to the AGS Performing Arts Programs) including participating in the Greek Band/Choir. Students will be expected to participate in music ensembles, school performances and events, supporting the Performing Arts ethos of the School.
- 8.19. Names of Scholarship recipients may be published in AGS printed and digital materials.
- 8.20. Scholarships are reviewed annually by the Principal/relevant Heads of School to ensure the above requirements and expectations are being met by the student.
- 8.21. AGS reserves the right to review the performance of a Scholarship holder at any time.
- 8.22. AGS reserves the right to withdraw the Scholarship in the event of any of the following:
- failure to pay School fees or unpaid fees before awarding the Scholarship; or
 - failure to pay School fees during the life of the Scholarship; or
 - the Principal deems the Scholarship holder's behaviour as unacceptable;
 - the Principal is not satisfied with the ongoing performance of the Scholarship holder; or
 - there is considerable non-attendance and/or failure to participate in compulsory programs by the scholarship holder.

These Scholarship Terms and Conditions are reviewed annually and may be subject to change.

9. Related Documents:

- AGS Enrolment Policy
- AGS Terms and Conditions of Enrolment
- AGS Parent Code of Conduct