



# GEELONG GRAMMAR SCHOOL

## General Excellence Scholarship Terms and Conditions

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### 1. ELIGIBILITY

- 1.1 To be eligible for a General Excellence Scholarship at Geelong Grammar School (the **School**), applicants must be Australian or New Zealand citizens or holders of an Australian Permanent Residence Visa who are:
  - 1.1.1 new students entering into Years 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 or 11 who are not otherwise eligible for any other concession for boarding and tuition fees including associate discount; or
  - 1.1.2 current students entering into Year 7 who is not otherwise eligible for any other concession for boarding and tuition fees including associate discount.

### 2. SELECTION CRITERIA

- 2.1 The School undertakes a rigorous and balanced process in awarding General Excellence scholarships that takes into consideration a range of criteria including:
  - 2.1.1 sound academic attitude and achievement;
  - 2.1.2 all-round ability in sport;
  - 2.1.3 an exemplary work ethic;
  - 2.1.4 participation in co-curricular activities;
  - 2.1.5 social awareness;
  - 2.1.6 family association with the School; and
  - 2.1.7 leadership, service and commitment to making a positive difference.
- 2.2 Whilst General Excellence scholarships are awarded based on the criteria listed in Clause 2.1 and an interview with the Admissions Manager or delegate, all applicants must sit an independent scholarship examination. Scholarship examination results from other schools are not able to be transferred.
- 2.3 General Excellence Scholarships are offered to students who could not otherwise attend Geelong Grammar School without financial assistance. Shortlisted applicants will be asked to provide confidential financial information to ensure that scholarship recipients have been appropriately supported.
- 2.4 Applicants should be willing and eager to participate in the wide range of opportunities available at the School and respect the Philosophy, Values, Rules and Policies of the School.
- 2.5 Each application for a General Excellence Scholarship will be evaluated on an individual basis and on the applicant's merits. All applicants will be notified in writing of the outcome of their application. Successful applicants will be determined at the sole discretion of the School and all decisions on successful Academic Scholars are final. No correspondence will be entered into.

### 3. STANDARDS, ACHIEVEMENT, ENGAGEMENT AND BEHAVIOURAL REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1 General Excellence Scholars are expected to perform in the top 25% of their cohort.
- 3.2 General Excellence Scholars are required to contribute fully to the life of the School, making a visible and positive contribution to the culture of the School through their conduct in all areas of School life and their participation across academic, co-curricular and pastoral aspects of the School.
- 3.3 General Excellence Scholars must maintain academic standards (consistently meeting all work and submission deadlines), meeting behavioural standards and make an overall positive contribution to the learning community. General Excellence Scholars must attain an average Learning Behaviours' assessment of 'Frequently' across all classes.
- 3.4 General Excellence Scholars must make a positive contribution to the learning culture within classrooms and day boarding / boarding houses and support the learning of their peers.
- 3.5 General Excellence Scholars must participate in at least two seasons of co-curricular sport in each academic year, which includes attendance at and participation in after school hours training and Saturday APS competitions for those sports (except where the School has granted an exemption for illness, injury or compassionate circumstances).



3.6 General Excellence Scholars must ensure exemplary conduct at all times and at all School related activities. In circumstances where a General Excellence Scholar is suspended for a breach of the School's Rules and/or Policies of the School, the Principal will review the Scholarship award.

#### **4. GENERAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD AND ACCEPTANCE**

4.1 General Excellence Scholars whose home address is serviced by the School bus service will be offered a day student (for Middle School) or day boarding (for Senior School) scholarship. Should these General Excellence Scholars wish to enter fulltime boarding at the School, they will be required to meet in full the fee differential for a day/day boarding and fulltime boarding enrolment.

4.2 Subject to clause 4.1, the value of a General Excellence Scholarship may be up to the value of 75% of day or boarding fees (scholarship award). The final level of award is determined based on the performance of the individual applicant in the examination and, if shortlisted, interview.

4.3 Awards of General Excellence Scholarships over 75% are made in exceptional circumstances. In such cases, parents will be asked to provide financial information to determine the additional level of award that may be provided.

4.4 Subject to clause 4.1, the scholarship award applies to the relevant School day or boarding fee, but does not apply for costs associated with uniform, transport, textbooks and stationery, excursions, co-curricular activities, private vocal or instrumental lessons, sundry charges and other personal items. The cost of these items must be paid in full by the General Excellence Scholar's parents or legal guardians.

4.5 Successful recipients must pay the Application and Enrolment Fees upon acceptance of the General Excellence Scholarship. Successful recipients of a General Excellence Scholarship who are current School students are not required to pay these fees.

4.6 General Excellence Scholarships are awarded on the expectation that the General Excellence Scholar will attend and complete their schooling at the School up to and including Year 12. If a General Excellence Scholar is withdrawn from the School prior to the completion of Year 12, the full value of the scholarship funds awarded for the period up to withdrawal must be repaid in full to the School. In extenuating circumstances, the School in its sole discretion, may waive this requirement.

4.7 General Excellence Scholars who leave the School either through withdrawal or due to cancellation of their enrolment and subsequently return to the School, shall not automatically have their General Excellence Scholarship reinstated. In the circumstances, the student may apply for a scholarship at that time, and they will need to meet the criteria applicable to the relevant scholarship award.

4.8 By accepting the General Excellence Scholarship, General Excellence Scholars and the General Excellence Scholar's parents or legal guardians, consent to the use of the General Excellence Scholar's name, image, profile and achievements to be used for marketing and promotion of the School's Scholarship programme. This may include for the purposes of publication in School newsletters, external newspapers, magazines and websites (including the School's website) and social media. Such publication will go beyond the School Community and extend beyond the duration of the General Excellence Scholar's education at the School. This acceptance extends to information including the General Excellence Scholar's ATAR results, VCE or IB outcomes, University pathways placements and scholarships, relevant achievements, awards, performances and selections.

4.9 These Terms and Conditions should be read in conjunction with the School's applicable Student Enrolment Agreement and Business Notices, as amended from time to time.

#### **5. SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW**

5.1 The School reserves the right to review the performance of the General Excellence Scholar at any time.

5.2 General Excellence Scholars will participate in periodic progress reviews to ensure they are conducting themselves according to the expectations of a General Excellence Scholar. General Excellence Scholars will work positively towards meeting all progress goals established as part of the review process.

5.3 The School reserves the right to review the terms of the General Excellence Scholarship or otherwise, discontinue the General Excellence Scholarship in circumstances where the terms and conditions of the General Excellence Scholarship have not or been or are not being met.