INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIP

For Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Students

Applicant’s Name

Closing Date is 1 June 2017

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM
BY 1 JUNE 2017 TO:
The Registrar
Hunter Valley Grammar School
PO Box 458
EAST MAITLAND NSW  2323
ABN 38 003 805 230

Excellence in Education since 1990
HVGS Indigenous Scholarship for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Student

Hunter Valley Grammar School is a leading independent school in NSW with a proud record of providing excellent pastoral care and high level of personal attention and nurture for all of its students.

Hunter Valley Grammar School provides the perfect opportunity for aboriginal students seeking opportunities and pathways after Year 12 to obtain a quality secondary education. The partnerships formed with local AECG’s will ensure that young aboriginal students will benefit from a HVGS education.

The School has established Scholarships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students to encourage and support the development of ATSI students entering the school.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to apply for one of these scholarship students must meet the following criteria:

- Be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent and be recognised as such by the local aboriginal community.
- Be nominated by a Community Representative taking into consideration commitment to studies, extra-curricular school activities (eg. representative of student council, representing the School for sport, debating, etc.), and community involvement, in particular Indigenous community involvement (form attached).
- Be supported by a written reference from the Principal of the student’s current school (form attached).
- **Be a new student (i.e. not enrolled at HVGS) to the School entering any Secondary level, Years 7-11.**

APPLICATION PROCESS & REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

Please apply using the attached Scholarship Application Form. The following statements and documentation will be required:

- Reference from the student’s current Principal or teacher.
- Statement of support from a member of the student’s local aboriginal community.
- Recent School Reports and Naplan test results.
- Achievements, certificates or awards to demonstrate the applicant’s involvement in co-curricular, service or leadership activities.
- Any other relevant information that testifies to the applicant’s capacity to succeed at Hunter Valley Grammar School.

SELECTION

- Applicants must complete the School’s Indigenous Scholarship Application Form in full and submit to the Principal.
- Successful applicants will have demonstrated throughout the application process that they will make a commitment to learning and the values of HVGS as a student of the School.
- The student has strong academic results for the most recent reporting period with teachers making positive and affirming comments about the student as a learner.
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- Selection of the recipients will be on the basis of the recommendation made by the student’s current Principal, community member, quality of the application, and a satisfactory interview.

- All applicants will receive a letter from the Principal advising the outcome of the application and next steps, if appropriate.

**BENEFIT**

- The award provides full remission of Tuition Fees and School Camps only.

  *(Extras - exclude non-compulsory camps, tours, private music lessons, textbooks and student laptop device).*  
  Note: Particular extras are awarded at the discretion of the Principal.

- **Parents/Guardians are required to meet the cost of Uniforms.**

- There are a limited number of scholarships available and are awarded at the absolute discretion of the Principal.
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**I WISH TO APPLY FOR THE INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIP FOR ENTRY 2018**

**APPLICANT** ____________________________  (PRINT NAME)

**SIGNATURE** ____________________________  Date ____________

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE REGISTRAR BY 1 JUNE 2017.**

**NOTE:** This application **does not** guarantee an interview. The criteria in the guidelines must be met.

You will be contacted if you are successful or unsuccessful in gaining an interview.

**DOCUMENTATION TO BE ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION:**

- Copy of your latest 2 School Reports and Naplan Test Results to demonstrate your child has a good academic record.
- Copy of your latest Awards or Attainments that demonstrate special aptitude for learning.
- Any other information relevant to this application.
- A written statement explaining why you would like to attend HVGS and what it would mean to you.
REQUIREMENTS

1. **SUMMARY OF CHILD’S ACADEMIC RECORD**
   Please attach to this application, copies of the last 2 School Reports and copies of any other relevant statements of achievement including NAPLAN Test Results etc. Include appropriate documents that demonstrate the applicant has a good academic record.

2. **CO-CURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENT, INVOLVEMENT IN ACTIVITIES**
   Please attach to this application, a brief statement which describes the student’s co-curricular involvement and activities.

3. **STATEMENT FROM THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL AND COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE**
   Please attach to this application the Principal’s Statement and Community Representative’s Statement included as part of this scholarship package.

4. **OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION THAT TESTIFIES THE APPLICANT’S CAPACITY TO SUCCEED AT HVGS**
   Please attach to this application other relevant information as appropriate.

5. **STATEMENT FROM THE APPLICANT**
   Please include a one page A4 handwritten statement from the child describing why they would like to attend HVGS and what it would mean to them.
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To be completed by Community Representative

Students must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent

Can you please describe the nominated students’ commitment to Indigenous activities and Indigenous community involvement.

Student’s Name: ________________________________  Contact Number: ________________________________
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To be completed by Principal or Principal’s Representative
**HVGS Indigenous Scholarship for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Student**

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Can you please describe the nominated students' commitment to their studies, any extra-curricular school activities the student may be involved in and any community involvement, particularly within the Indigenous community?

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