

2026 Academic Scholarships

FOR NEW STUDENTS





WELCOME

St Columba College is an R-12 Anglican and Catholic school, focused on providing every student with the opportunity to flourish.

Our expert staff are dedicated and committed to helping every student succeed by knowing each of them well. St Columba is a place filled with optimism, kindness and hard work, and we foster a culture that reflects the values of the gospel; welcome, inclusion, respect, compassion, reconciliation and love.

Above all things, learning is our business, and our commitment is to ensure that every student achieves their academic potential by acquiring the knowledge, skills and capabilities needed to thrive in the 21st century. Our Academic Scholarship Program is offered to students of high academic ability and potential in any curriculum area and is designed to ensure that they receive the levels of support and challenge they need to reach their goals. We know that students with academic gifts and talents need different structures, support and learning experiences, and the program ensures they receive them.

I invite interested parents to complete the enclosed application form, or to contact the College to discuss this with me. St Columba College is an exciting place to be, and I encourage you to get in touch.

Mr Darren Pitt Principal

2026 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NEW STUDENTS

St Columba College is delighted to offer Academic Scholarships for 2026, for students enrolling in Years 3–12. These Scholarships aim to create an educational opportunity for a young person who would otherwise not have access to an Anglican and Catholic education.

Year 3 - 12 Academic Scholarships

- Entering Years 3–12 in 2026.
- For students who demonstrate outstanding application to their studies and high achievement and aptitude in one or more curriculum area.
- 50% tuition fee remission for Years 3–12.

Criteria for Successful Applicants

Applicants must demonstrate their abilities to benefit from a St Columba education and a willingness to contribute to the life of the College. Successful applicants will demonstrate all or some of the following:

- Ability to embrace the ethos and values of the College.
- A positive and proactive attitude to learning.
- Evidence of striving for personal excellence across all learning areas.
- A commitment to high standards and achieving their best.
- Active participation in co-curricular activities.
- Well-developed communication skills.
- Formal and informal student leadership.

Applicants for Academic Scholarships will be asked to provide evidence of their academic achievement and may be asked to undertake additional testing as part of the application process, or use evidence of prior testing at the College.

Terms and Conditions

The Scholarship may be terminated or suspended due to poor academic habits and outcomes, or behaviour problems. An evaluation will be made for each recipient to determine if they are still eligible to continue with the Scholarship for the following year. A total of two siblings per family shall be considered for the Scholarship Program.

Selection Process

References, current academic reports and College testing will be taken into account. Based on all of the information, a decision will be made on which students will be awarded a Scholarship.

Applications

Applications can be emailed to admin@stcolumba.sa.edu.au

YEAR 3-12 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

STUDENT DETAILS

Surname:		
Given Name:		
Residential Address:		
Date of Birth: / /	Male 🗌	Female 🗆
Country of Birth:		
Religion:		
Name of Parish:		
Current School:		
Previous School:		
Current Year Level:		
PARENT / CAREGIVER DETAILS		
PARENT/CAREGIVER 1		
Surname:		
Given Name:		
Residential Address:		
Telephone:	(H)	(M)
Email:		
PARENT/CAREGIVER 2		
Surname:		
Given Name:		
Residential Address:		
Telephone:	(H)	(M)
Email:		

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Please provide a short statement for the following areas:

1. Ability to embrace the ethos and values of the College:

2. Evidence of striving for personal excellence across all learning areas of focus for this Scholarship:

3. A positive attitude to learning:

4. Active participation in co-curricular activities offered by the College:

5. Individual needs of the applicant:

6. Capacity for leadership and role modelling:

REFEREE DETAILS

Referee Name:

Contact Phone:

Position (i.e. Principal or Current Class Teacher):



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What additional information do I have to provide to support my child's application?

When submitting your application, please provide us with your child's current photograph, a copy of their two most recent reports, and their current NAPLAN results. Your child can additionally provide a small portfolio to be discussed.

When do I have to accept or reject the Scholarship offer if my child is successful?

You will have 5 working days to finalise your child's enrolment paperwork and submit the \$100 Acceptance of Enrolment fee.

If my child is successful, can I postpone the Scholarship to the following year?

No, Scholarships are only for 2026.

What will my child need to demonstrate to be awarded a Scholarship?

- Ability to embrace the ethos and values of the College.
- A positive attitude to learning.
- Evidence of striving for personal excellence across all learning areas .
- Active participation in Student Life activities.
- Well-developed communication skills.
- Formal and informal student leadership.

How many Scholarships will be awarded?

There is no set number of Scholarships offered at each year level. The College has a number of Scholarships available and will award them on a case-by-case basis.

When will I be informed as to whether or not my child has been successful?

It is expected that all applicants will be informed of the outcome as soon as possible.

Can the College provide feedback on how my child could improve the application if not successful?

Due to the large number of applications and in fairness to all applicants the College is not able to offer individual feedback on why an application was not successful or areas for improvement in the future. No exceptions will apply.

My child was unsuccessful in gaining a Scholarship. Can they apply again next year?

Your child is welcome to apply for a future Scholarship even if unsuccessful in the past.





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