



**St Philip's
Christian College**
FOR THE WHOLE OF LIFE

General Excellence Scholarships 2026

General Excellence Scholarships at St Philip's Christian College are awarded each year to a number of students entering Year 7, Year 9 and Year 11.

These Scholarships are awarded to students who achieve strong results in their academic work and can demonstrate the potential to achieve at an outstanding level in one or more co-curricular areas. The number of General Excellence Scholarships and the reduction of fees offered will vary each year and the College will not necessarily offer scholarships in each category or to each year group. All scholarships are awarded at the discretion of the College Leadership Team.



APPLICATION PROCESS

To begin the application process, please complete the General Excellence Scholarship Application Form and return to the Curriculum Office by 2 February 2025.

All students who are applying for a General Excellence Scholarship in 2026 are expected to sit the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) NSW Scholarship Test. Students must register online for this exam through the ACER website www.acer.org/scholarship. This will also include a registration fee. For further information regarding the academic examination, please contact the Curriculum Office on (02) 4919 5400.

Please note that registrations for the ACER Scholarship Examination close on 2 February 2025. Late registrations may be accepted but additional charges apply.

Students who achieve at an above average level in this examination may be invited to attend an interview with the Principal and the Director of Studies. Please be aware that not all students will be invited to an interview.

*Note that the ACER NSW Scholarship Test is held in late February in the year prior to Year 7, 9 and 11 enrolment.

CRITERIA TO BE CONSIDERED FOR GENERAL EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

1. The General Excellence Scholarship application form must be completed and submitted to the Curriculum Office. (School and NAPLAN reports must be attached as well as registration information for ACER Test).
2. The conduct of the student both in terms of speaking and listening skills will be assessed in the interview.
3. The student's reports must demonstrate above average academic achievement and that their teachers positively comment on the students' aptitude and effort.
4. The student must be able to demonstrate achievement at a high level in at least one co-curricular area. (i.e. Music, Sport or the Creative or Performing Arts. Service and leadership will also be considered).
5. Above average achievement in the ACER Scholarship Test.

LENGTH & TENURE OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are offered for a period of two years. Students who obtain a Scholarship in Year 7 will need to reapply for Year 9 and Year 11.

All Scholarships are reviewed annually and the continuation of an award is dependent on the Scholarship holder's academic effort, behaviour, participation and contribution to the overall life of the College.



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