



Variety Heart Scholarships WA Guidelines & Eligibility

Variety believes all Aussie kids deserve a fair go, and that all kids should have the chance to follow their dreams and fulfil their potential.

The Variety Heart Scholarships are intended to support children who are sick, disadvantaged or living with disability that have a demonstrated talent, passion or notable potential in an extra-curricular discipline.

The Scholarship is provided to support the child in their development and assist them in working towards their goals within the chosen field.

Eligibility

- Applicants must reside in WA
- Applicants must be living with sickness, disadvantage or disability
- Applicants must be within age range of 6 to 17 at time of application
- Applicants must demonstrate existing talent, passion or notable potential in one of these areas; The Arts, Sport or Education (extracurricular).
- Child's achievements/potential must be able to be verified (in a support letter) by a relevant professional in the area
- Applicants family annual household income should not exceed \$120,000**

Scholarship Areas (not limited to these examples):

The Arts - Visual arts, Music/Instrument, Dance, Singing, Performing Arts

Sport - Basketball, Martial Arts, Athletics, Swimming

Education - Extra-curricular academic pursuits

Appropriate Scholarship requests: *can be more than one	Ineligible requests:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuition/training fees • Entry/Competition fees • Supplies/resources • Equipment directly related to discipline • Uniforms/costumes • Travel expenses (for competitions – recipient only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing repairs/maintenance of equipment • Retrospective funding • Public/Private/Tertiary School fees • Tutoring (School curriculum) • Services – therapy/medical • Parking, petrol & car costs • Travel cost associated with anyone other than recipient

Application process:

1. Complete the online application form, available on our website [here](#).

The following documents will be required to be included within the application:

- a. Income statement(s) to confirm annual household income
 - Pay slips
 - Centrelink statements / valid health-care card
 - ATO payment summary (most recent)
 - b. Support Letter addressing the following (from a professional associated with chosen discipline);
 - Who they are and what role do they play in your child's life (trainer, coach, instructor etc.)
 - Address the child's existing talent, passion, accolades and/or potential.
 - How will receiving the Scholarship assist the child to further their development / help reach their goals in their chosen discipline.
 - c. Quotes / breakdown of expenses
 - d. Examples of work / accolades
Please ensure you include any additional information to accompany the request (if applicable).
 - Copies/pictures (medals, awards, certificates, competition results, exam results, etc.)
 - Photos (art – drawings / painting / digital works)
 - Footage (dance, singing, music, instruments, performing arts)
 - Audio file (singing, music, instruments)

*Please keep files to maximum of 5MB so they are able to upload to application.
2. Submit application with all required documentation before the closing date.
 3. Committee review applications
 4. Outcome notifications sent via email

Additional information:

- Applicants can request up to \$4,000*
- *Full funding of request is not guaranteed, approvals may be allocated partial funding rather than full funding at the discretion of the Committee.
- Successive grants are not guaranteed for previous recipients.
- If unsuccessful, applicants may apply for the next Scholarship round (annual).
- Funds are only accessible via invoice from supplier or reimbursement upon proof of purchase.
- Scholarships are valid for 12 months (1st January to 31st December). All allocated funds must be spent within that period. Any unspent allocated funds will be rescinded.
- Scholarship funds may not be used for purposes other than agreed to in the scholarship application.
- A scholarship report/survey may be requested to be completed (forms will be provided).
- **If your income is over the suggested limit you may still choose to apply, however you need to be able to demonstrate extraordinary hardship, expenses and/or circumstances.

DATES FOR 2022 SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications open: 2nd August 2021 - 21st November 2021

Applications review: December 2021

Outcome notifications: December 2021 - January 2022

Variety Heart Scholarship celebration event: April/May 2022 (TBC)