



## INDIGENOUS BOARDING SCHOLARSHIP

### HOW ARE BOARDING PLACES FUNDED?

#### ABSTUDY – Independent Boarding Scholarship

All Indigenous students seeking a Boarding Scholarship at Rostrevor College must apply to Centrelink for an Independent Boarding Scholarship. As this Abstudy payment is means tested, the amount will vary depending on family income. All families are eligible for at least a base amount. This payment is made to the College to offset some of the fees.

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The amount required to be paid by families depends on:

- family income and capacity to pay,
- the gap between the Abstudy payment to the College and the total Tuition and Boarding Charges, and
- whether the student is eligible for other Scholarships or grants.

#### INDIGENOUS YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM [IYLP]

Rostrevor College has been selected as an education provider for students who are offered places in the Indigenous Youth Leadership Program [an initiative of the Department of Education and Training, administered by The Smith Family].

The IYLP is a Secondary School Scholarship to support young Indigenous people, generally from remote areas, to attend schools and universities that offer a wide range of educational choices and experiences. The fund will bridge the gap in costs between other funding such as Abstudy and the cost of tuition and boarding. In addition, the scholarship may provide additional financial support to students for non-compulsory education expenses. The IYLP will also provide opportunities to develop leadership skills.

Further information and application forms are available from the College or [www.thesmithfamily.com.au](http://www.thesmithfamily.com.au) or by contacting the IYLP Coordinator on [08] 8224 1402.

#### GRANTS FROM LOCAL COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

The College may assist with liaising with community organisations to attract grants to assist students meet the fee requirements.

### HOW DO I APPLY FOR A BOARDING SCHOLARSHIP AT ROSTREVOR COLLEGE?

Students are encouraged to apply approximately 12 months prior to commencing to ensure Abstudy and all paperwork is fully completed in time.

#### Lodge an Abstudy Application with Centrelink. Explain that it is for an Indigenous Boarding Scholarship.

Abstudy claims may be completed either:

- by telephone: 132317 or
- by completing Abstudy Form B or Remote Area Claim Form

Please note that the following sections must be completed as follows:

- School Fees Allowance must be paid to Rostrevor College to offset College costs.
- The College [Enrolment Officer or Business Manager] to be allowed to make enquiries to Centrelink on the family's behalf regarding entitlement to the Scholarship.



2. **Lodge an Enrolment form with Rostrevor College.** Include a copy of the student's:
  - Latest 2 school reports and Latest NAPLAN results
  - Birth Certificate or Proof of Identity
  - \$60 Application Fee
  - Boarding Scholarship Application
  - A brief letter from the student telling us about himself [e.g. achievements at school and/or the community, sports and activities he likes the most and his plans when he leaves school].
  - A letter of support from current school/ teacher or leader.

An application is not a guaranteed acceptance, all applications are assessed by the Principal who makes the final decision.

3. **Lodge an IYLP Expression of Interest with The Smith Family before the due date.** See IYLP information above.

### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Once the applications have been lodged with Centrelink and the College, and all the supporting documents have been received, an assessment will be made about Scholarships available in each year level.

If the student is offered a place, a letter and Enrolment Contract will be sent to the family. This must be completed and returned to the College by the due date with \$50 Enrolment Fee to accept the place.

### WHAT COSTS WILL THERE BE?

To summarise the costs, the family will be expected to pay:

1. \$60 Application Fee: To be paid at the time of lodging the Enrolment Application
2. Enrolment Fee: \$50 To be paid after receiving a Letter of Offer, to accept a place at Rostrevor College.
3. **Uniforms must be paid for at the time of collection. The College recommends that families allow \$900 for summer and sport uniforms [Term 1] and \$1,200 for the winter uniform [prior to Term 2]. (Please note the College does from time to time have a stock of good quality secondhand uniforms for sale for all families to access if required)**
4. Incidentals such as bedding, medical costs, toiletries, pocket money and additional printing and internet credit.
5. Any costs if the student chooses to participate in non-compulsory activities such as skiing and other interstate and overseas trips, etc.
6. **Any shortfall between the amount of Abstudy [and any other Scholarship or Grants received] and the total cost of Tuition and Boarding at the College.**

Abstudy may assist with:

- Travel and accommodation for orientation
- Flights between home and Adelaide at the beginning and end of each term
- Minor travel costs including transport to and from airports

### FURTHER INFORMATION

For information and Enrolment forms and for assistance with enrolment and scholarship procedures for Indigenous students:

Website: [www.rostrevor.sa.edu.au](http://www.rostrevor.sa.edu.au)

Email: [enrolments@rostrevor.sa.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@rostrevor.sa.edu.au)

Telephone: [08] 8364 8200 (Reception – ask for the Enrolments Office)



## INDIGENOUS BOARDING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please complete the information below and return to:

*Enrolment Office, Rostrevor College, Glen Stuart Road, Woodforde SA 5072*

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Language/s Spoken at Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the student identify as:

Aboriginal       Torres Strait Islander       Both Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander

Name of community / Family background: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year Level: \_\_\_\_\_ Current School: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Schools attended:

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Level to start at Rostrevor College: \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar Year of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Caregiver Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person completing this form: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please attach any other relevant information which would assist in assessing this application*



## INDIGENOUS BOARDING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

1. **THE FAMILY HOME** *(Please tick the appropriate box)*

Are you currently:                      Renting                       Buying                       Do you own

2. **PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING**

WEEKLY NET WAGE	\$
Father's Wage	
Mother's Wage	
Rental Income	
Interest/Dividends	
Part time Employment	
Unemployment Benefits	
Family Tax Benefits	
Pension	
Maintenance/Child Support	
Supporting Parent Benefit	
Other <i>(please specify)</i>	
TOTAL	

WEEKLY EXPENDITURE	\$
Mortgage/Rent	
Living (food, clothing, personal)	
Car Loan Repayments	
Motor Vehicle Expenses <i>(fuel, registration, insurance)</i>	
Home Expenses <i>(Council rates, gas, water, electricity, insurance, phone)</i>	
Life Insurance	
Private Medical	
Other School Fees	
Other <i>(please specify)</i>	
TOTAL	

ASSETS	\$
Home Value	
Other Property	
Motor Vehicle(s)	
Household Goods <i>(insurance value)</i>	
Cash/Band/Credit Union	
Other <i>(please specify)</i>	
Family Trust Accounts	
Other <i>(please specify)</i>	
Maintenance/Child Support	
Supporting Parent Benefit	
Other <i>(please specify)</i>	

LIABILITIES	\$
Home Mortgage	
Car Loans	
Credit Cards	
Other Loans	
Other <i>(please specify)</i>	

**Please attach evidence of income, such as copies of your most recent Income Tax Assessment, most recent payslip or Centrelink payment advice.**

If you own your own business, please submit a copy of your most recent Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet.

We appreciate that this procedure requires considerable disclosure of personal information. We require this to assess your application.



**3. IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU THINK MAY BE RELEVANT TO YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION?  
IF SO, PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS.**

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**5. PARENT(S) DECLARATION**

I/we hereby certify that the information provided is complete and accurate.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Father)*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Mother)*

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

**RECOMMENDED BY BUSINESS MANAGER:**

Signed: ..... Date: .....  
.....  
BUSINESS MANAGER

**APPROVED BY PRINCIPAL:**

Signed: ..... Date: .....  
.....  
PRINCIPAL