



# ST PIUS X COLLEGE

## CHATSWOOD

### COLLEGE TOUR or HIGHER REPRESENTATION GRANT APPLICATION FORM

St Pius X College Chatswood is a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice Tradition. Through its Fee Concession Policy and the Scholarship and Awards program, the College endeavours to provide access to those families who would not ordinarily seek enrolment and to enable each student who receives a benefit the opportunity of a Catholic education in the Edmund Rice Tradition. This is consistent with the Charter for schools like the College which are part of Edmund Rice Education Australia and the Inclusive Community Touchstone which states:

*"A Catholic school in the Edmund Rice Tradition .... Strives to provide access to those who otherwise would not seek enrolment."*

Consistent with this approach the College seeks to assist students (when selected) to participate in College Tours where their participation may otherwise be not possible due to their financial circumstances.

Furthermore the College wishes to recognise the talents of students who (when selected) have the opportunity to represent the College at a State, National or International level, when their participation may otherwise be not possible due to their financial circumstances.

The grants are open to students from **all years currently attending** the College.

These Tours or Representations may be of an artistic, sporting or curriculum nature.

If you wish to apply for a grant please complete the following form and return to the attention of the Business Manager at the College. Applications will be considered by the College Awards Committee.

**SECTION A FAMILY INFORMATION**

Child's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year Group \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent / Guardian 1 Details.** Relationship to applicant: Father  Mother  Other   
Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone H: \_\_\_\_\_ W: \_\_\_\_\_ M: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ FT  PT  Casual

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent / Guardian 2 Details.** Relationship to applicant: Father  Mother  Other   
Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone H: \_\_\_\_\_ W: \_\_\_\_\_ M: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ FT  PT  Casual

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_

**Other dependents**

Name	DOB	M/F	School / College	Maintained by Guardian		
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**SECTION B GENERAL INFORMATION**

## Background for making this application

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Please detail the College Tour of Higher Representation honour your son has been selected for?

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Please provide details of the costs in relation to your son being able to participate in this Tour of Representation Honour. You may wish to attach documents to support these statements.

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Please provide details of your son's involvement in the College and / or community activities:

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You may wish to attach statements, references or any other documents which reflect aspects of your son's activities and development in the areas relevant to the activity he has been selected for.

**SECTION C DECLARATION**

I/we affirm that

a). I/we am/are the parents/guardian of the child in this application

b). The information set out in this statement and attachments which is within my/our personal knowledge is true. All statements are based on my/our knowledge and is/are given in good faith. All other information given in this statement and any attachments is true to the best of my/our knowledge, information and belief.

**Parent/Guardian 1 Signature**

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

**Before me: Justice of the Peace/Solicitor**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Reg Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature:

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

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent /Guardian 2 Signature**

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

**Before me: Justice of the Peace/Solicitor**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Reg Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature:

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

Place: \_\_\_\_\_

### College Position on Award of a grant

A *grant* is defined as:

- A partial exemption from paying relevant fees set by the College or organising association.
- The awarding of grants does not exempt families from all financial obligations to the College.

The parents or guardians are asked to:

- Complete the application form and return it to the College.
- Collect and submit the relevant documentation to support the Statement to the satisfaction of the College Awards Committee.

The *College Position on award of a grant* is directly related to the *Fee Concession Policy (May 2015)* and will be awarded in consideration of the following matters:

- St Pius X College is part of Edmund Rice Education Australia (EREA) which operates within the mission of the Church in which every child is entitled to an Education.
- Every school faces the challenge of achieving equity and fairness in relation to the setting and collection of fees.
- The College is a non-profit organisation where expenses are shared by all parents.
- As a Catholic school, income is received from Government grants, school fees and fundraising.
- The level of fees charged must be sufficient to support the educational program of the College.
- Students enrolled at the College come from a range of backgrounds and a variety of socio-economic circumstances.
- Parents who enrol their sons at St Pius X College do so with the knowledge of their financial obligations.
- The College acknowledges that the employment and earning capacity of families may change during their son's time at the College.
- The setting of fees is sensitive to the financial constraints upon families wishing to send their sons to St Pius X College.

**As a Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition, no student at St Pius X College will be precluded because of the family's inability to pay fees. This, however, is dependent on:**

- Pro-activity by parents in notifying of an inability to pay.
- An agreement being reached between the College and parents about the capacity of parents to a partial contribution to the payment of fees.
- Willingness on the part of parents to provide current, accurate evidence of hardship.
- A commitment by parents to update the College in relation to their financial situation.
- The timely payment of any partial contribution in accordance with the agreement.

In the case of financial hardship being assessed and confirmed, the College may offer payment plans, fee concession and, in the most needy cases, a Scholarship. All are approved at the absolute discretion of the Principal with advice from relevant committees. The College budget is set out to ensure that funds are available to assist those families experiencing financial difficulties.

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