Uniting Talent with Opportunity

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Scholarships at Girton Grammar School

Girton Grammar School Scholarships strengthen the diversity of the School community, culturally, musically and academically. They provide an immediate, personal and profound impact and help talented students to fulfill their potential.

Scholarships help the school community to celebrate aspiration and achievement.

Some of the Girton Grammar School Scholarships are means tested and can help to ease financial burden, allowing access to a first-rate education to more people. Others are based on audition and the individual's capacity to enrich the life of the School and to provide a positive influence on fellow students.

All Scholarship applicants will meet with the Headmaster prior to Scholarships being granted.

With a range of Scholarships on offer, students with special talents and enthusiasm for learning are invited to apply for a Girton Grammar Scholarship and to have their individual potential nurtured.

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Means Tested Scholarships

Academic Merit Scholarship

The Girton Grammar School Academic Merit Scholarship is available to new and current students entering Years 5 to 9.

Students sit an examination administered by the ACER Co-operative Scholarship Testing Program in February of the year preceding their enrolment for entry at the start of the following year.

VCE Scholarship

The Girton Grammar School VCE Scholarship is available to new students entering Years 10-12.

Access to these scholarships is possible at any stage in the academic year for Years 10-11.

Year 12 applicants need to have completed a full year at Girton Grammar School to be eligible.

Scholarships by Audition

Betty Higgs Music Scholarship

The Betty Higgs Music Scholarship is available to new and current students entering Years 7-12.

Performing Arts Scholarship

A Girton Grammar School Performing Arts Scholarship is available to new and current students entering Years 7-12.

Important information

All critical dates as well as any examination costs and registration information are advised on the Girton Grammar School website under Enrolments>Scholarships.

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Please contact the Registry Office at Girton Grammar School on 5441 3114 or via email at: registrar@girton.vic.edu.au for further information regarding scholarships.

Scholarships for Academic Merit

Girton Grammar School Academic Merit Scholarships are available to students entering Years 5 to 9.

This is a means tested scholarship.

Awardees will be good all-round students who demonstrate strong academic ability through ACER testing and good performance at the subsequent interview of short-listed candidates.

Students will be considered for this scholarship if they can demonstrate the following attributes:

1. They have achieved strongly in the ACER scholarship test. It is expected that students offered this scholarship would be able to achieve an ATAR in excess of 90 in the VCE.
2. They have a conscientious attitude towards their studies. Their school reports indicate that they try to do their best in each of their subjects.
3. It could be said of these students that they lead positively and well in the classroom, the playground and the wider community. They may not necessarily hold formal leadership positions but they should model good citizenship behaviours.
4. They have some interests outside the classroom in fields such as sport, music, dance, drama, community service, church activities or other areas of interest.
5. They will participate enthusiastically in the many opportunities a Girton education will provide and will proudly represent themselves as a member of the Girton community through their presentation and behaviour at all times.
6. Holders of an academic scholarship, at the Headmaster's discretion, may be required to repay part, or all of the fees saved by the provision of the scholarship, if they depart the School before the end of Year 12.

Once a student is registered for an ACER examination the school will send further details regarding the examination date, time and scholarship process.

The Headmaster is the sole decision maker in respect of the award of this Scholarship. The Headmaster will not enter into any correspondence or discussion about the success or otherwise of a candidate. He reserves the right to modify the award, or not to award, at any time as he sees fit.

Please visit the Girton Grammar School website to view the most recent Means Tested Criteria (updated annually) and for links to register with ACER for the Senior Academic Merit Scholarship and the Primary Academic Merit Scholarship.

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The VCE Scholarship

The Girton Grammar School VCE Scholarship is available to students entering Years 10, 11 or 12.

Access to these scholarships is possible at any stage in the academic year for Years 10 or 11. Year 12 applicants need to have completed a full year before applying.

Students will be considered for a means tested VCE scholarship for entry into Years 10, 11 or 12 if they can demonstrate the following attributes:

1. They have a conscientious attitude towards their studies. They may not come First in their Year level but their school reports indicate that they try to do their best in each of their subjects.
2. It would be said that they lead positively and well in the classroom, the playground and the wider community. They may not necessarily hold formal leadership positions but they model good citizenship behaviours.
3. They have some interests outside the classroom. These interests could be in fields such as sport, music, dance, drama, community service, church activities or other areas.
4. They will participate enthusiastically in the many opportunities a Girton education will provide and will proudly represent themselves as a member of the Girton community through their presentation and behaviour at all times.

Holders of a VCE scholarship, at the Headmaster's discretion, may be required to repay part, or all of the fees saved by the provision of the scholarship, if they depart the School before the end of Year 12.

Enquiries about this scholarship should be made through the Registrar, who can supply details about the means tested criteria for the scholarship. Following this, an enrolment interview with the Headmaster will be scheduled.

At the interview a reference from a significant adult who knows the student well must be presented e.g. a staff member from the student's current school; a coach of a sporting team; a music teacher; a Minister of their Church or other significant adult. The Headmaster will also expect to see some evidence of the student's approach to his/her studies (such as School Reports) as well as the wider involvement of the student in sport/music/dance/drama/community service etc. NAPLAN results should also be brought. If, at the conclusion of the interview, the Headmaster is happy that the student would be an enthusiastic and hardworking student, he may offer a means tested scholarship, conditional upon the family meeting the financial criteria upon which the means testing is based.

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Betty Higgs Music Scholarship

Mrs Betty Higgs is an outstanding teacher who displays compassion, strength of character and a wonderful sense of dedication and commitment to her students and the entire school community. Mrs Higgs' love for music and the arts shines through her teaching practices. Her dedication to her students is unwavering. The countless hours that Mrs Higgs has contributed to the Music curriculum and co-curriculum of the School for over two decades is a shining example of her passion for the musical life of Girton Grammar School.

The Girton Grammar School Board recognised Mrs Betty Higgs by naming this scholarship in her honour.

The Scholarship is open to any young person entering Girton Grammar School at the Senior School level, whether or not he/she is currently attending the School. The value is $2,000 pa, which is decucted from School Fees. All other deposits and charges incurred are not affected by the Award. The Scholarship is held until the student departs the School, subject to the conditions of its award.

Five Betty Higgs Music Scholarships are available each year. The Scholarships will be judged by competitive audition in voice or any musical instrument, and interview. Students not currently at Girton Grammar School are warmly invited to apply. Three scholarships will be offered to students new to Girton who are of the requisite standard. Two scholarships will be offered to current Girton students who are of the requisite standard.

The criteria for selection include:

1. A very good result in a competitive audition in voice or the instrument(s) of choice (Piano or other band or orchestral instrument) to be held at the School.
2. Evidence of musical ability such as competition awards or examination results (eg AMEB, Trinity), references from known, reputable teachers or Schools of Music etc.
3. Evidence of good attitudes to school work, as well as good behaviour. Recent school reports and/or references from the Head/Principal or other senior teachers who know the candidate well will suffice. Excellence in academic work is not essential, but is an advantage.

The interview with the Headmaster is a very important part of the selection process. It follows the audition for those short-listed from the audition. Candidates should be excellently groomed and dressed in school uniform, if their school has one; otherwise smart casual clothes should be worn. At the interview, the candidate will need to demonstrate good communication skills which will allow him/her to show the sort of leadership in music expected of the Betty Higgs Scholar. Some thought should be given to such topics as leadership of one's peers in Music, the promotion of Music in the School, contributions the short listed candidate could make to music programmes in the School and so on.

The requirements and expectations of the Betty Higgs Scholar include:

1. Excellence in musical performance
2. Willingness to perform at every opportunity at School events and elsewhere
3. Encouragement and leadership of others in Music and generally
4. Excellence in behaviour and presentation, including grooming and dress
5. Good attitude towards school work and exemplary behaviour at all times
6. Willingness to be widely involved in the life of the School

The Headmaster, having taken the advice of experts in music, is the sole decision maker in respect of the award of the Scholarship. The Headmaster will not enter into any correspondence or discussion about the success or otherwise of a candidate. He reserves the right to modify the award, or not to award, at any time as he sees fit.

Please visit the Girton Grammar School website (under Enrolments>Scholarships) to view the Application Form.

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Performing Arts Scholarship

The Girton Grammar School Performing Arts Scholarship commenced in 2009 to support the School's commitment to, and pursuit of excellence in the fields of Drama, Dance and Musical Theatre.

This Scholarship is open to any student entering Years 7 to 12 at Girton Grammar School, whether or not he/she is currently attending the School. The value is $2,000 pa, which is deducted from School Fees. All other deposits and charges incurred are not affected by this Award.

The Performing Arts Scholarship is held until the student departs the School, having completed the VCE in the normal time at the end of Year 12, subject to the conditions of its award. Current holders of other scholarships may, if successful, add it to their current award(s).

A maximum of five Awards may be made, with a maximum of two for current Girton students. The School is under no obligation to offer scholarships in any round of auditions. Unsuccessful candidates in this round may compete in the following year's scholarship round.

The criteria for selection include:

1. A very good result in competitive audition in Drama, Dance and/or Musical Theatre to be held at the School.
2. Evidence of ability such as competition awards or examination results, references from known, reputable teachers or Schools of Drama and Dance etc.
3. Evidence of good attitudes to school work, as well as good behaviour. Recent school reports and/or references from the Head/Principal or other senior teachers who know the candidate well will suffice. Excellence in academic work is not essential, but is an advantage.

The interview with the Headmaster is a very important part of the selection process. It follows the audition for those short-listed from the audition.

Applicants should be excellently groomed and dressed in school uniform, if their school has one; otherwise smart casual clothes should be worn.

At the interview, the applicant will need to demonstrate good communication skills which will allow him/her to describe examples of leadership and commitment in Drama, Dance and/or Musical Theatre expected of the Performing Arts Scholar.

Some thought should be given in advance to such topics as leadership of one's peers in Drama, Dance and/or Musical Theatre, the promotion of Performing Arts in the School, the individual contributions he/she could make and so on.

The requirements and expectations of the Performing Arts Scholar include:

1. Excellence in Drama, Dance and/or Musical Theatre performance.
2. Willingness to perform at every reasonable opportunity at School events and elsewhere.
3. Encouragement and leadership of others in Performing Arts and generally.
4. Excellence in behaviour and presentation including grooming and dress.
5. Good attitude towards school work and exemplary behaviour at all times.
6. A willingness to be widely involved in the life of the School.

The Headmaster, having taken the advice of experts in the Performing Arts, is the sole decision maker in respect of the award, at any time as he sees fit. The Headmaster will not enter into any correspondence or discussion about the success or otherwise of a candidate. He reserves the right to modify the award, or not to award, at any time as he sees fit.

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