



## Scholarship Information & Application Form

### Introduction

The Castlemaine Steiner School & Kindergarten seeks to foster an inclusive and diverse socioeconomic community and hopes to make Steiner education more available across our regional community.

Castlemaine Steiner School & Kindergarten (CSSK) is offering a limited number of partly or fully subsidised places to eligible applicants, who would otherwise not have the opportunity to enrol in the school, due to financial disadvantage. Scholarships are currently available for commencement in most of our classes from Kindergarten to Class 7 in 2022.

The scholarships provide a subsidy of up to 100 percent of tuition fees for eligible students for the duration of their enrolment at CSSK. In most cases, ancillary fees and charges such as camps & excursions will be the responsibility of parents/guardians. \*Holders of Pension/Concession Cards can access additional government funding support for costs associated with these activities.

The total number of scholarships awarded for 2022 will depend on the number of applicants at each year level, the financial impact, and the social and educational impact on individual classes and the school as a whole.

### Who is eligible to apply?

To be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must meet the following conditions:

1. Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
2. Be eligible for enrolment at CSSK
3. Provide evidence of financial hardship. Generally, this will be met if the child is named as the card holder or a dependent child on a valid government concession card within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is on a:
  - Centrelink Health Care Card
  - Pensioner Concession Card
  - Veterans Affairs Gold Card
4. A commitment to the principles of Steiner education and CSSK is expected from parents / guardians of applicants.

## How applications will be assessed?

All applications will be assessed against the eligibility criteria by a panel including the Principal and two CSSK Board members.

Once the scholarship applications have been assessed all applicants will be notified. For approved scholarships if there is a vacancy within the class, the standard CSSK enrolment process will then commence. This will include an enrolment meeting with the Principal and/or the Class teacher to determine if the school can meet the needs of the child.

## Key Dates

Applications Open	20 July 2021
Applications Close	6 September 2021
Applicants Notified	30 September 2021
Student Commencement	Term 1, 2022

## How to apply?

All applications will be strictly confidential. To apply complete the application form and attach a copy of your eligible concession card and submit via the following;

By email to [traceyr@cask.vic.edu.au](mailto:traceyr@cask.vic.edu.au)

By Mail to; Attention Tracey Robertson (Private & Confidential)  
Castlemaine Steiner School & Kindergarten  
PO Box 473, Castlemaine VIC 3450

## How can I find out more?

If you have any questions about the school, scholarships or the application process, please contact our Enrolments Officer, Tracey Robertson on 03 5479 2000 or email [traceyr@cask.vic.edu.au](mailto:traceyr@cask.vic.edu.au)



## Scholarship Application Form

### Student Details

Student Surname: ..... Student Given Name:.....

Student Date of Birth: ..... Male  Female  Other

Is the student an Australian Citizen: Yes  No

Name of current school: .....

How long has the student been attending current school? .....

Name of any previous school (if applicable).....

What year level would the child be commencing in 2021: .....

### Family Information

#### Name of Parent/Guardian 1 (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss/Dr)

Full name .....

Street Address .....

Suburb/ City.....State.....Postcode.....

Home phone ..... Work phone .....

Mobile Phone .....

Email address: .....

Does the student live with this parent/guardian? Yes  No

#### Name of Parent/Guardian 2 (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss/Dr)

Full name .....

Street Address .....

Suburb/ City.....State.....Postcode.....

Home Phone..... Work Phone.....

Mobile Phone .....

Email address: .....

Does the student live with this parent/guardian? Yes  No

**Why Castlemaine Steiner School & Kindergarten?**

Please tell us why you have chosen to apply for a scholarship at CSSK

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**Eligibility**

Our scholarships program provides partly or fully subsidised places to eligible applicants who would otherwise not have the opportunity to enrol in the school due to financial disadvantage. Is the child named above a dependent child named on any of the following cards (please tick):

- Centrelink Health Care Card
- Pensioner Concession Card
- Veterans Affairs Gold Card

If your child is not named as a dependent child on any of the above cards, please provide an explanation as to why you consider yourself to be experiencing financial disadvantage (NB it is generally expected that scholarship holders will meet the low income criteria for one of the above cards).

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## Terms and Conditions

1. To be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must meet all of the following conditions:
  - Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
  - Be eligible for enrolment at CSSK
  - Provide evidence of financial hardship. Generally, this will be met if the child is named as the card holder or a dependent child on a valid government concession card within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is on a:
    - Centrelink Health Care Card
    - Pensioner Concession Card
    - Veterans Affairs Gold Card
  - A commitment to the principles of Steiner education and to CSSK is expected from parents / carers of applicants.
2. Families must formally apply for a scholarship via the CSSK Scholarship Application Form.
3. Holders of scholarships will be bound by the same rules and responsibilities and awarded the same rights as other students at CSSK
4. Assessment of eligibility and offer of a scholarship is solely at the discretion of CSSK
5. Offer of a scholarship is not a guarantee of a place at the school. Offer of a place at the school is subject to the standard enrolment process and class waiting lists.
6. Scholarships can be awarded from Kindergarten to Class 7.
7. Scholarships are subject to review each year. It is expected that scholarships are awarded until the completion of Year 8, however CSSK may choose to award a scholarship for a shorter period.
8. A scholarship may be terminated by the school in the event of serious breach of school rules, codes of conduct by the recipient or their parents / carers, or if their account falls into default according to the fee retrieval policy.

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## Signatures

We acknowledge that the information provided in this form is true and correct and will be used to assist CSSK to assess this application for the Scholarship Program. We have read and agree to the terms and conditions.

**Parent/ Guardian 1 name** .....

Signature (Parent/Guardian 1) ..... Date    /    /

**Parent/ Guardian 2 name** .....

Signature (Parent/Guardian 2) ..... Date    /    /