



ROUSE HILL ANGLICAN COLLEGE

Scholarship Program



Rouse Hill Anglican College is committed to excellence in education by providing an environment in which all students are able to develop their individual potential and attain high standards of personal achievement. We aim to develop rigorous and adaptive learning programs that provide opportunities for students to pose questions, engage critical and creative thinking, enjoy rich collaborative learning experiences and to encourage each other on their path to personal achievement.

Our educational programs seek to foster the development of strong core academic competencies alongside the learning dispositions that are essential for students to be confident life-long learners and active members of their community.

Rouse Hill Anglican College is delighted to offer scholarships that recognise a student's high achievement in Music or academics and provide them with the encouragement to continue to pursue their learning goals

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Academic scholarships are designed to encourage students on a path of high achievement and the pursuit of academic excellence. While scholarship recipients remain confidential, the scholarship will provide entry into higher ability classes and access to extension and enrichment opportunities through Endeavour, the College program for high potential achievers. This may include the opportunities to participate in inter-school competitions, such as the DaVinci Decathlon and to engage with other high achieving students in school-based enrichment programs. A Rouse Hill Anglican College academic scholarship provides recipients with the opportunity to achieve their academic goals while being part of a diverse community-minded student body.

Academic Scholarships of varying values will be offered to suitable candidates for entry into Year 7 or Year 11.

Academic Scholarships are awarded to candidates based on achievement and performance in the ACER Scholarship test, and commitment to their school's co-curricular and leadership programs and involvement in community-based programs.

Following the results of the academic testing program, selected external applicants will be invited to undertake an interview with the Principal and College Registrar.

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Music Scholarship of varying values will be offered for entry into Year 7 or Year 11. Music Scholars are required to select elective Music from Year 9 through to the HSC.

PREREQUISITES

Applicants must display outstanding commitment to, and involvement in their current school's music program and perform at a credible level in the ACER scholarship examination. It is desirable that students would already be sitting AMEB or TCL exams and achieving a high standard, however, other outstanding, musical achievements in state or national competitions will also be considered.

APPLICATION, AUDITION & INTERVIEW PROCESS

Applicants are required to sit the ACER Scholarship exam and to submit a Music Scholarship Application. The Application must include transcripts of most recent music achievements and a reference from their current school's Music Teacher outlining their involvement in the music program.

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to an audition to be held on a set date in February each year involving the performance of two contrasting works, a brief aural examination, and an interview with the Head of Music and Co-ordinator of Music Performance. The Principal will review the music report with the academic results before considering offers of scholarship.

OBLIGATIONS

Music Scholars are expected to maintain extremely high standards in both performance and academic growth. Scholars are required to participate in the College's ensembles as guided by the Co-ordinator of Music Performance and successfully undertake an annual practice examination up to and including Year Ten. Scholars are expected to take elective Music to the end of Year Twelve.

MUSIC APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Apply for ACER scholarship exam online.
- Complete and submit the Application for Music Scholarship. Attach copies of examinations and other performance reports.
- Have your instrumental teacher/s complete and send in the confidential teacher's reference **separately** and therefore confidentially.

Applications for Music Scholarship and supporting documents can be returned to either

The Registrar

Rouse Hill Anglican College

PO Box 3296

Rouse Hill NSW 2155

or

enrolments@rhac.nsw.edu.au

The audition and interview session will take around 30 mins. During that time the applicant will be required to play **two contrasting pieces**. Your instrumental teacher should be able to advise you on repertoire which will fulfil these requirements. If the applicant is also auditioning on a second instrument, one piece only should be prepared for this instrument. Applicants are required to provide their own backing tracks or live accompaniment for the audition. The audition will also include aural tests (intervals, rhythm, triads and pitch) and sight reading.

APPLICATION & EXPECTATION



A variety of Scholarships may be awarded for up to 100% of tuition fees, however, the College's Service Fee is not included in the scholarship award. There will be additional and separate charges levied for excursions, tours and optional extras such as private music tuition, instrument hire and certain co-curricular sport commitments.

Scholars are expected to maintain extremely high standards in performance, academic achievement and involvement in co-curricular programs. Scholars must at all times uphold College core values and demonstrate the highest standards of behaviour, punctuality and presentation. An annual reflection of goals, strategies and achievements is required to be completed by all Scholars and submitted to the Principal.

Scholarships are awarded at the discretion of the Principal and all decisions are final.

Scholarships may be withdrawn with notice if performance or commitment to the College core values falls below expected levels.

Scholarship applications open annually in Term 4 for students enrolled in Year 5 and Year 9. Applicants will sit the ACER examination is sat in February the following year (the year before an award of a scholarship would commence).

An Application for Enrolment is required to be submitted for applicants not currently enrolled at the College prior to a scholarship enrolment interview. The online applications for both the ACER scholarship test and enrolment, and further information about the application process can be found at <https://www.rhac.nsw.edu.au/enrolment-process>.



APPLICATION FOR MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

To be completed in addition to the ACER scholarship test application online at <https://www.rhac.nsw.edu.au/scholarships>

Last Name _____ Given Names _____

Current School _____

Parent's/Guardian's Title _____ Given Name _____

Last Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email _____

1st Instrument _____ Years Learning _____

Teacher _____ Ph Number _____

(optional) 2nd Instrument _____ Years Learning _____

Teacher _____ Ph Number _____

Most recent AMEB/TCL grades/Suzuki levels etc attained, dates and results (please attach a copy of the examiner's or eisteddfod report)

What is the most advanced piece you can play well?

Name of Piece _____

Composer _____

Which ensembles or groups have you played in? _____

Why do you wish to be considered for a Music Scholarship? (student's own words, 100 or less)

Would you like us to provide an accompanist for the audition? _____

Parent/s Guardian's Signature _____

Student's Signature _____

Date _____

Auditions

Depending upon availability, auditions are likely to be conducted towards the end of Term One. The College will contact applicants to confirm audition times in advance.



MUSIC TUTOR'S REFERENCE – CONFIDENTIAL

The student seeking a scholarship is to fill in their name and instrument below, then give this form to their instrumental teacher to complete, who should mail or email it to the College confidentially and directly **before 1 February**.

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Rouse Hill Anglican College
PO Box 3296
ROUSE HILL NSW 2155
enrolments@rhac.nsw.edu.au

Student's Last Name _____ First Name _____

Instrument _____

To the Teacher

This reference form and your comments are strictly for the use of the Music Department of Rouse Hill Anglican College in determining the candidate's suitability for a Music Scholarship at the College, and are confidential. Please note that the conditions of the Music Scholarship do not require the student to take private music tuition at the College.

Your Title _____ Name _____

Ph _____ Email _____

How long have you taught the candidate? _____

Most recent AMEB/TCL grades/Suzuki levels etc attained (dates and results) _____

In your opinion, what are the student's overall _____

• strengths? _____

• weaknesses? _____

Please provide specific comments _____

Exceptional qualities in the student's playing _____

Intonation/tone quality _____

Interpretation skills/musicality _____

Rhythmic accuracy _____

Sight reading ability _____ Sight singing ability _____

Please state approximately which AMEB/TCL Grade you would assess the student to be at currently _____

Name the most difficult piece this student can play well (composer and title) _____

Why do you consider this student worthy of a Music Scholarship? _____

Other comments _____

Signature _____ Date _____