

# **Equity Scholarships**



### Introduction

The Sphinx Scholarship Fund is a great success story for the Perth Modernian Society Inc. and the Sphinx Foundation Inc.

Having started in 2008 with a single donation from Modernian Jim Cundill (dec), donations and good investments strategies have since swelled the fund, and earnings on the capital sum permits the academic and equity awards to be awarded each year.

The scholarships and bursaries are therefore one of Perth Modern School's very special features.

## **Equity Awards**

These awards are aimed at facilitating the achievement of educational success by removing barriers and providing current Perth Modern School students access to opportunities. The School offers many opportunities for enhanced education and the awards aim to assist students who might otherwise be disadvantaged to take full advantage of them.

Applicants or their parents need to show that they have personal circumstances of financial or other need such that the award will be most beneficial in removing barriers, overcoming a specific disadvantage or in providing access to opportunities to facilitate the achievement of educational success.

Applicants are expected to have achieved well in their academic courses and/or external competitions, and ideally to also have demonstrated an interest in community service.

#### How to Apply:

Refer to the published notice for information on due dates and how to submit.

Note the specific information regarding criterion to be referred to in the application for each award.

#### **Available Equity Awards**

(NB: the year level indicated is the current year level of the student)

#### Available for Year 7-9 Students

- The TLC Be Inspired Scholarship
- The Don Tyler Equity Scholarship

#### Available for Year 7-10 Students

• The Ross and Fran Ledger Scholarship

#### Available for Year 10 and 11 Students

- The Doss Family Scholarship
- The Jim Leslie Scholarship and Bursary
- The Malka Equity Scholarship

#### Further information on Equity Awards

#### Available for Year 7-9 Students

# The TLC Be Inspired Scholarship The Don Tyler Equity Scholarship

Each scholarship is tenable for three years, and is expected to provide \$1,150 per annum, (i.e. \$3,450 per awardee).

In the application form for the TLC Be Inspired Scholarship applicants should formally request consideration for the Scholarship and either:

- Outline their circumstance of financial or other need or specific disadvantage, demonstrating that the award would be beneficial in removing barriers or in providing access to opportunities to facilitate the achievement of educational success by their child; or
- Show that their child has a demonstrable passion or talent for a specific learning area, the arts (music, drama, etc.), sport(s), or other activity(ies) that could benefit from this Scholarship.

#### Available for Year 7-10 Students

The Ross and Fran Ledger Scholarship is established on the core principle that a student at Perth Modern School should not suffer a limitation in furthering themselves due to lack of funds.

The scholarship is expected to provide \$2000 in the year of its award.

In the application form applicants should formally request consideration for the Scholarship and **either**:

- Outline their circumstance of financial difficulties, or specific disadvantage, demonstrating that the award would be beneficial in providing access to opportunities to facilitate the achievement of educational success by their child; or
- Show that their child has been unable to progress their schoolwork due to financial constraints and that this Scholarship would be significant in removing barriers to progress.

#### Available for Year 10 and 11 Students

- The Doss Family Scholarship
- The Jim Leslie Scholarship and Bursary
- The Malka Equity Scholarship

Each scholarship is expected to provide \$1,000, and the bursary will provide \$700.

In the application form for the **Doss Family Scholarship** applicants should formally request consideration for the Scholarship and **either**:

- Outline their circumstance of financial difficulties, or specific disadvantage, demonstrating that the award would be beneficial in providing access to opportunities to facilitate the achievement of educational success by their child; or
- Show that their child has been unable to progress their schoolwork due to financial constraints and that this Scholarship would be significant in removing barriers to progress.

In the application form for the Jim Leslie Scholarship and Bursary applicants should formally request consideration for the Scholarship and both:

- Outline their circumstance of financial difficulties, or specific disadvantage, demonstrating that the award would be beneficial in providing access to opportunities to facilitate the achievement of educational success by their child; and
- Show their commitment to citizenship or co-curricula as well as academic excellence. They may also like to demonstrate how the scholarship would be used to assist achievement of academic excellence.



# **Equity Awards Terms and Conditions**

Comprehensive information about the Perth Modernian Society may be found at <a href="https://www.perthmoderniansociety.org.au">www.perthmoderniansociety.org.au</a> and information about the Sphinx Foundation Inc may be found at <a href="https://www.perthmoderniansociety.org.au/sphinx-foundation/">www.perthmoderniansociety.org.au/sphinx-foundation/</a>

#### Eligibility

- Current Perth Modern School students only are eligible to apply.
- Applications must be received by the due date for consideration through the means outlined in the Supporting Information document.
- It is a requirement of both the School and Sphinx Foundation that the student's parent(s) or guardian confirm in writing acceptance of the Scholarship.
- Some scholarships can be awarded according to a needs basis at the discretion of the Principal in collaboration with the Sphinx Scholarships Selection Committee.
- The student's most recent school report will be accessed to support the determination of the successful applicant.
- All information provided will be treated in the strictest confidence and used only for the purpose of the Scholarship selection process.
- Students who already hold a Sphinx Scholarship or other Scholarship or Bursary that will pay them funds in the next academic year are not eligible to apply.

#### **Award**

The successful recipient will be informed in Term 4 and it will be announced at an assembly. The awardee will receive a certificate and a citation about the donor.

#### **Student Accountability**

The awardee is encouraged to write and thank the donors, whose contact details will be supplied to the awardee.

Toward the end of Term 3 each year, awardees will be required to meet with a Perth Modernian Society representative to informally report on the value and benefits associated with the Scholarship. The discussion might be expected to include:

- Discussion of courses being undertaken, co-curricular/ extracurricular involvement, competitions entered, community service/personal volunteer efforts etc. for the current year.
- Other relevant feedback.
- TLC Be Inspired Scholarship awardees may be expected to update regarding the circumstances which warrant the recipient to continue to be in receipt of the Scholarship.

#### Administration of the scholarship

- a. The funds will be credited against the student's name at the School and may be accessed for educational purposes directly associated with attendance at Perth Modern School such as School charges and contributions, school uniform school excursions/camps, transportation, purchase of academic resources or equipment on production of a receipt, specialised courses, specialised instruction, etc. or such other purposes as may be approved by the School or Sphinx Scholarships Selection Committee.
- **b.** The awardee should keep receipts for monies spent against any of the above and present them to the Finance Office for reimbursement up to the value of the award.
- **c.** School charges and contributions for scholarship recipients are to be paid in full before the remaining funds are accessed for other reimbursements.
- **d.** Should any funds not be fully expended in one academic year, the balance will carry forward to the following academic year.
- e. In the absence of special circumstances, the Scholarship may not be deferred. The Scholarship may be deferred if the School Principal grants the Scholarship holder leave of absence after accepting a place at Perth Modern School.
- f. The Scholarship is not transferable to other schools. The scholarship will cease if the student leaves the School. All unexpended funds will be returned to the Sphinx Foundation Inc.
- g. The recipient may forfeit the Scholarship if they;
  - (i) Are found to have behaved in a manner that is in breach of the School's Behaviour Management Policy; or
  - (ii) Take an extended leave of absence (or defer their enrolment) for a period greater than two consecutive (2) School terms.
- h. The multi-year TLC Be Inspired Scholarship and The Don Tyler Equity Scholarship will be renewed as assessed by the Sphinx Scholarships Selection Committee and will be conditional upon:
  - (i) Satisfactory School attendance, educational performance and progress;
  - (ii) Contribution to the School;
  - (iii) Co-curricular and/or extracurricular involvement; and
  - (iv) Continuing compliance with the conditions of the Award.