

Financial Assistance for Student Representatives Policy

Background

Ayr State High School Parents and Citizens Association (the Association), at its absolute discretion and subject to funds available, offers financial support to its students who participate at a Regional, State or National level in Education Queensland-sanctioned Sporting, Cultural or Academic events upon written request to the Association.

Purpose

This policy outlines the Association's commitment to ensuring a consistent and fair approach to the provision of financial support to Ayr State High School students who participate in Academic, Cultural and Sporting events as a representative of the Ayr State High School community. The policy aims to recognise and support students for their achievements in sport, cultural or academic fields.

Scope

This policy only applies to students who attend Ayr State High School for attendance at Queensland Education-sanctioned sporting, cultural or academic events. The Policy does not extend to events that are separate to School (e.g. selection on the Townsville representative basketball team).

Principles

Financial Responsibility- The Association acknowledges that financial resources are finite and must be managed responsibly. Therefore, the provision of financial support will be limited, considering the available budget and the number of eligible students. We strive to make equitable decisions that balance the needs of individual students with the overall sustainability of this support program.

Supplementary Assistance – The financial support provided by the Association through this policy is intended to supplement existing financial resources available to students and their families and is not intended to replace or substitute personal contributions, government grants, scholarships, or loans. Students and their families are encouraged to explore all available avenues of financial assistance.

Policy Statement

To qualify for support, students must meet the following criteria:

1. Students must have participated in events sanctioned by the Queensland Department of Education. Their representation must have been reached through their initial involvement at the school level.
2. The student applicant must be currently enrolled at Ayr State High School.
3. Students can apply for support across a range of sporting, cultural and academic activities , however a cap of \$300 per calendar year, per student will apply.
4. An overall cap of \$400 per family per calendar year will also apply.

5. The following capped levels of assistance will apply for individuals:
 - Regional \$150.00
 - State \$200.00
 - National \$250.00
 - International \$300.00
6. The Association may nominate a lower amount of support if the amount listed above exceeds the actual compulsory cost of attendance.
7. The attached application form must be completed by the parent/caregiver and signed by the Principal/Head of Department verifying that the student is participating in a school-based activity.
8. Applications are to be lodged **after** the student has participated at the event.
9. The Association will consider applications at each monthly meeting. Reimbursements for approved applications will be made by the P & C Treasurer.
10. Proof of payment must accompany the application form.

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Application Form

Request for Financial Assistance from P & C

Student Details			
First Name			
Last Name			
Grade		Years at Ayr High School	
Parent/Guardian/Carer Details			
First Name			
Last Name			
Contact Details	Mobile Number:	Email address:	
Postal Address			
Event Details			
Name of Event			
Event Date			
Event Location			
Registration Fee			
Details of other expenses incurred			
Principal/Head of Department Endorsement			
Position:			
Name:			
Endorsed:	Yes/No		
Comment:			
Signature:			
Payment			
Preferred Option	Direct Deposit/Cheque (Please circle)		
Account Details	Account Name		Bank Name
	BSB		Account
Official Use Only			
P & C Meeting Approval Date		Cheque Number:	Date:
		Transfer Receipt Number:	Date: