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Scholarships for entry into 2028 – Frequently asked questions

When is the Scholarship test?

Saturday 14 November 2026

When do scholarships open and close?

Scholarships open on Tuesday 1 September.

Boarding scholarships applications close on Thursday 22 October at 5pm.

All other scholarship applications close on Friday 6 November at 5pm.

What types of scholarships do you offer?

We are pleased to be offer a range of scholarships for new and current students for entry into 20278. Broadly the categories are Academic, Music & Performing Arts and Boarding. Please visit https://www.tgc.vic.edu.au/enrol/scholarships to ascertain which scholarships you are eligible for.

How much is a scholarship worth?

Amounts offered vary. Some scholarships have advertised values (this can be found outlined on the relevant webpage for each scholarship) and others are at the discretion of the Principal. The most common value of a scholarship is 50% of tuition fees from the entry year until Year 12.

What does 'financial need' mean?

One of the aims of our scholarship program is to provide students who would otherwise be unable to attend the College the opportunity to do so. If you feel that your family needs assistance to send your child to the College, then we encourage you to apply. All applications will be confidential and take into consideration the broader financial needs of the family.

Who can apply?

There are scholarships available for both new students and current students of the College. Please take note of the information on the website as to which scholarships are available for current students.

Do I need to be registered for enrolment to apply or am I guaranteed a place if I receive a scholarship?

All offers made include a place. Both students who are already registered for enrolment, and those who aren't are encouraged to apply for our scholarships.

What is the application process?

To apply for a scholarship, you should visit https://www.tgc.vic.edu.au/enrol/scholarships and review the information and available scholarships for new and current students. Once you decide which type of scholarship or scholarships would be best suited, follow the directions on how to apply via Edutest (Academic or Music & Performing Arts) or direct to the College (Boarding).

I want to apply for more than one type of scholarship.

You are encouraged to apply for multiple scholarships. If you are applying through Edutest (Academic or Music & Performing Arts) you only need to complete one application and indicate within the form which type of scholarship you would like to be considered for. All Edutest applicants will be considered for academic scholarships.

When applying for a Boarding Scholarship, if you are shortlisted, you will complete the scholarship test and be considered for an academic scholarship and boarding. If you are not shortlisted, you will be informed in time so that you can apply for other scholarships.

What will I need to complete my application?

For Edutest applications (Academic, Music & Performing Arts, and Specialist) you will need a credit card and the following supporting documentation to compete your application.

- your child's birth certificate
- a copy of the student's most recent end of semester report
- a copy of the student's most recent NAPLAN
- Any psychological assessments relevant to learning needs
- a copy of both parents' most recent tax returns

For Boarding applications you will need:

- A summary of your child's achievements
- A written statement from the child as to why they wish to attend The Geelong College
- A written statement from the child as to what unique qualities and strengths they will bring to the boarding house
- a copy of the student's most recent end of semester report
- a copy of the student's most recent NAPLAN
- Any psychological assessments relevant to learning needs
- a copy of both parents' most recent tax returns

How should I prepare for the test?

The test covers Verbal Reasoning, Numerical Reasoning, Reading Comprehension, Mathematics and a Written Expression component. The best way to prepare is through completing the practice tests available via Edutest. You can purchase these here: https://www.edutest.com.au/prac_tests.html.

If I am applying for a Music & Performing Arts Scholarship when will my audition be?

Your audition will be scheduled during the week commencing 9 November 2026, after the scholarship exam.

What do I need to prepare for the audition?

- Music: Perform two contrasting pieces or movements on your principal instrument and perform one piece on your second instrument (if applicable).
- Performing Arts: Complete two performances (drama, dance, or vocal) of up to 8 mins

During the audition, applicants will also complete:

- A sight-reading test and aural test. (Aural tests will involve rhythm, pitch and harmony.)
- A short test to ascertain the level of music theory knowledge (music specific).

When will I find out?

For all scholarships, offers will be made in mid-February. There are different processes for each type of scholarship, as outlined below:

Boarding:

Date	**Action**
Thursday 22 October	Applications close
Friday 6 November	Shortlisted applicants informed
Thursday 12 November	Interviews
Saturday 14 November	Scholarship test
By 15 December	Offers sent to successful students and unsuccessful students informed

Academic:

Date	**Action**
Friday 6 November	Applications close
Saturday 14 November	Scholarship test
Week commencing 30 November	Shortlisted applicants informed
Friday 4 December	Tours for shortlisted applicants
Thursday 10 and Friday 11 December	Shortlisted applicants interviewed
By 15 December	Offers sent to successful students and unsuccessful students informed

Music & Performing Arts:

Date	**Action**
Friday 6 November	Applications close
Saturday 14 November	Scholarship test
Week commencing 9 November	Auditions held
Week commencing 30 November	Shortlisted applicants informed
Thursday 10 and Friday 11 December	Shortlisted applicants interviewed
By 15 December	Offers sent to successful students and unsuccessful students informed