Academic and Sports Support Fund

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The Academic and Sports Support Fund has been established to provide financial assistance to students of the college to assist student participation in extra-curricular programs which encourage academic excellence or involved in a “high level” sporting event/activity that is appropriately recognized by its local, state or national body. Parents and/or students are free to apply to the committee for assistance but student applications must be accompanied by a covering parental letter. The committee will determine each application on its merits and make recommendations to the Principal.

Academic Support Fund Membership - Deputy Principal Learning & Staff (Convenor), Deputy Principal Wellbeing and Curriculum Coordinator.

Sporting Support Fund Membership – Deputy Principal Wellbeing (Convenor), Health and PE Faculty Leader and Sports Coordinator.

Objectives
• To promote excellence in academia and sport
• To recognise and support student academic excellence and sporting involvement beyond College representation
• To assist student participation in extra-curricular programs which encourage academic excellence
• To support students who have achieved sporting excellence
• To support student involvement in regional, state, national representative team(s) or events of similar status
• To provide appropriate financial assistance

Selection criteria

1. Applicant is a current member of the college
   • at the time of the application
   • at the time of the supported event

2. The student must be of good character and have a history of good behaviour in compliance with College rules.
3. The student and his/her parents or guardians must be able to demonstrate a reasonable level of involvement with College events and co-curriculum activities.
4. Payment of all school fees for the student and siblings (if any) must be up to date, unless special arrangements are in place with the College’s Business Manager.
5. There must be travel and accommodation expenses associated with the event/activity that are borne by the student or student’s parents/guardians.
6. The event/activity must require the student to travel outside of the Melbourne metropolitan area.
7. Re: Sporting event
   - Sponsorship relates to a non-profit sporting event
   - The sport team or individual participation selection criteria relates to sporting excellence or achievement
   - The student must be competing, participating or performing at a “high level” event/activity that is appropriately recognised by its local, state or national body.

Fund
   - Each successful applicant will be funded to a maximum of $300.
   - This amount can be varied at the discretion of the Principal.

Access to the fund
1. Information on the fund will be published on the John Paul College website
2. Written applications with supporting documentation to be addressed to the Convenor of the relevant Support Committee.

Process
1. All applications shall be made through the Deputy Principal Wellbeing, Mr. Rick Van Duppen (Sports Support) or Deputy Principal Learning & Staff, Ms Lyn Helisma (Academic Support).
2. The application must be made in writing and should include supporting documentation addressing the above eligibility criteria.
3. A recommendation will be made by the appropriate Support Fund Committee to the College Principal
4. Formal letter of response to the applicant by the Principal.