

Guidelines for Applicants

You must provide

1. Your 2019 Tax Return Notice AND 2. Proof of LAFHA and/or AIC Assistance

Background

Our secondary rural boarding bursary is designed to assist economically disadvantaged and remote students within rural NSW. It assists with bridging the gap between the cost of rural boarding and funding received through the AIC allowance (Assistance for Isolated Children – Federal support) and/or the LAFHA (Living Away From Home Allowance – NSW support). Families with children who weekly or full time board at a rural school, boarding facility or live with a family member are eligible to apply.

Value

Our bursary is awarded on the basis the family income and geographical isolation from an appropriate school along with any exceptional circumstances meet our criteria outlined throughout the application process. Circumstances considered will include but not be restricted to such impacts as climatic conditions and an assessment of the family income based on the receipt of either the AIC (including supplement) and/or LAFHA allowances.

Our bursary is awarded for one year and is currently available to a maximum of \$2,500 depending on need. The Secondary Rural Bursary includes fee support and may include additional payments for other appropriate school costs. Payment is made in one instalment directly to the school. Applicants must reapply each year.

Conditions

The number of bursaries allocated and the amount of each is governed by the level of donations. The Directors of the Foundation will administer this program at their absolute discretion and will adjust or withdraw a bursary benefit in the event of changed circumstances.

The household tax return/s (not accountants lodgements), proof of receipt of AIC and/or LAFHA assistance must be included in your application. Applications will not be considered if they do not have the supporting documentation.

Where you can receive assistance for Isolated Students

Commonwealth Government

AIC (Isolated Students) Centrelink	Tel 13 23 18
Youth Allowance	Tel 13 24 90
Abstudy	Tel 13 23 17

NSW Government

Living Away from Home Allowance - LAFHA	Tel (02) 6334 8075 (Bathurst)
Family Assist	Tel 13 61 50

Completed application forms and all required supporting documents must be received at the address or email below by **Friday, 28 February 2020:**

Bush Children's Education Foundation of NSW Inc.

Postal Address: PO Box 138
LINDFIELD NSW 2070

Email: info@bcef.org.au
Tel: 0412 879 236

Application cannot be processed unless all questions are answered

Student Details

Surname _____
Given Names _____
Home Address _____
Suburb / Town _____ Postcode _____
Date of Birth _____ Age _____ Gender _____

School Details

2020 School Grade you are applying for _____
Distance between home and nearest Government school _____ kms
Name of school attending in 2020 _____
Address of school _____

Fees

Enter total fees for school year 2020
Board/Accommodation \$ _____ Tuition and Electives \$ _____
Weekly Boarder Full Boarder
Please state any other school costs (eg. Technology Levy, Subject Costs):
Cost Type _____ \$ _____
Cost Type _____ \$ _____

Eligible Allowances

Enter the value of each allowance received or applied for
(you must be in receipt of AIC with additional supplement and/or LAFHA)

Assistance for Isolated Children (AIC) \$ _____
AIC Supplement \$ _____
Living Away From Home Allowance (LAFHA) \$ _____
LAFHA Supplement - Years 11/12 \$ _____
Youth Allowance \$ _____
Abstudy \$ _____
Ag High Boarding Scholarship - Isolated Student \$ _____
Any other Scholarship / Bursaries \$ _____
From _____

Parent/Guardian Details

Name Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss _____

Address _____

Suburb / Town _____ Postcode _____

Phone _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

Relationship to Student _____

Your Occupation _____

Spouse/Partner's Occupation _____

Ages of other dependent children _____

Farm/Grazing Data

Area of your holding(s) in Ha _____

Avg # of Sheep _____ Avg # of Cattle _____ Total Cultivation Area _____

Current seasonal conditions.

Family Income

Please attach, with that of your spouse/partner, your Tax Return/s (single page)

Taxable Income - Yours \$ _____ Taxable Income - Spouse/Partner \$ _____

If a Pensioner - Type _____ Amount per fortnight \$ _____

Please indicate if there is any other income in your household _____

State form of other income _____ Amount \$ _____

Additional Information

You are invited to add further information to support this application.

Declaration

Please note in submitting an Application for a 2020 BCEF Secondary Rural Boarding Bursary you are aware and agree to the following:

1. BCEF can request the allowance status of the student named in the application from either the School or Department. This information will be released to BCEF for discretionary use whilst considering the application.
2. Consent for the school to provide BCEF with overall performance data at the end of Semester 1 for the purpose of consideration and approval for Semester 2 instalment.

I have read, understand and agree to the above conditions

3. BCEF to use images (or other media material) of the student named in the application. Such use includes the display, distribution, publications, transmissions or otherwise use of photographs, images and/or videos taken for use in materials that include, but may not be limited to, printed materials such as Brochures, Newsletters, Videos and digital images used on BCEF's Website and Social Media Pages, such as Facebook, Snapchat and Instagram for such use to be for marketing, promotions or fundraising.

I grant permission

I do not grant permission

***All applications will be treated according to
The Bush Children's Education Foundation privacy policy.***

You must provide your

- **30 June 2019 Tax Return Notice/s, and**
- **Proof of LAFHA and/or AIC or any other assistance.**

By signing or filling in the signatory section below, I certify all information is true and correct.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____