



## Community Financial Assistance Program Education Sponsorship 2021

Eligible education providers can nominate up to two students from Year 9, 10, 11 or 12, or aged between 15–21 years to receive a \$250 (inc GST) cash award and certificate. All students are eligible for the first award. The second award is for a student who is Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander. Applications can be made in September/October for a November/ December presentation.

### Encouraging further learning in Baw Baw

Baw Baw Shire Council's Education Sponsorship aims to encourage students in Year 9 and over (or aged between 15 –21 years) in their preferred education pathway by supporting local education providers with an opportunity to recognise and acknowledge attributes and effort.

Nominees will be outstanding in two or more of these qualities:

- Authentic
- Pragmatic
- Respectful
- Optimistic
- Supportive

Education Sponsorship is a stream of Council's Community Financial Assistance Program that has invested over \$600,000 in 2020/21. It supports local secondary- and pathway-education providers to recognise and financially award students who meet the eligibility criteria.

Students in mainstream, specialist or pathway education are eligible for nomination. Education providers may apply for a second award for an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander student who meets the same criteria.

### Eligibility

These education providers are eligible to apply in 2021:

- Chairo Christian College (Drouin campus)
- Community College Gippsland (Warragul campus)
- Drouin Secondary College
- TAFE Gippsland (Warragul campus)
- Lowanna College, Newborough
- Marist-Sion College
- Neerim District Secondary College
- St Paul's Anglican Grammar School
- Trafalgar High School
- Warragul and District Specialist School
- Warragul Regional College

## Preferences for nominated students

Eligible students will preferably be Baw Baw Shire residents.

## What's involved?

**Apply online:** Eligible education providers make an application in September/October to Baw Baw Shire Council using an online system called *SmartyGrants*.

**Assessment:** A panel of Councillors and officers, including the Youth Officer assess the application and make a recommendation. Information will be provided in writing to the applicant.

**Receiving and giving funds:** Successful applicants invoice Council for the funds. The applicant provides the student with funds.

**Presenting Awards:** Councillors will strive to attend the presentation event and be available to present the award at a November/December event.

## When can I apply?

The round will be opened 13 September and will close 22 October 2021.

## How can I apply?

Visit Council's website for more information [www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au](http://www.bawbawshire.vic.gov.au)

Apply online via *SmartyGrants* <https://bawbawshire.smartygrants.com.au/>

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