



The Heather Barr Bursary 2024 Application Information

This PLC Old Collegians' Association bursary recognizes participation and contribution to PLC and is awarded to "the girl entering Year 12 who most clearly displays the qualities which reflect the principles espoused by Miss Barr". The selected student should be dedicated to the ideals and educational objectives of the School and she will have distinguished herself by showing selflessness, tolerance and compassion towards her peers and her juniors, demonstrating the maturity and judgment she has acquired during her years at PLC.

The recipient will receive \$5,000 towards tuition fees in 2024.

Miss Heather Barr

Principal, Presbyterian Ladies' College
1968 - 1989

Heather Barr hailed originally from Toowoomba, Queensland, and completed her last two years of schooling at PLC, graduating in 1949. Miss Barr was Principal of the school from January 1968 until her sudden death at the age of 59 in 1989. Miss Barr was the first of our Old Collegians to be Principal.



OCA Minutes from 1989 detail Mrs Gwen Bull added a criterion to the Heather Barr Bursary - "the evidence that a girl had 'blossomed' under the care of the School. It was generally agreed that the Bursary would single out a girl with special qualities, not necessarily those of high academic achievement.

Criteria

Eligible applicants are invited to apply for the Heather Barr Memorial Bursary by submitting an essay identifying the values apparent within the school community. They should discuss the importance of these values beyond school years and cite personal experiences at school as an example of these values.

The bursary is open to all year 11 students, as long as they are not already recipients of a scholarship or bursary from the school, the Parents' Committee or the OCA (unless it is a music bursary).

Format

- Applications should be no more than two A4 pages.
- Applications should have a cover page with the name of the Bursary and student details on it.

General Requirements

- Applications should attach a copy of their mid-year report (no originals).
- Applications should also attach a dot-point list of co-curricular activities they have participated in (sports, music, service etc), awards they have earned and positions they have held.
- Please submit 3 x printed copies of your application are to be submitted to Lyn Taylor at the Senior School Reception no later than 4.00 pm on Friday 27 October 2023.

Process

- After applicants submit their written applications, a shortlist will be selected by a panel of PLC Old Collegians.
- Each shortlisted applicant will be invited to a brief (10 minute) interview with the panel.
- The panel will award the bursary following the completion of interviews.

Bursary Key Dates:

Applications Open: Friday 22 September 2023

Applications Close: Friday 27 October, 4.00 pm

Interviews: Early November

Bursary awarded: Mid November

Further information is available on the PLC website:

<https://www.plc.wa.edu.au/connected-community/old-collegians/bursaries/>