



PLC PERTH
PRESBYTERIAN LADIES' COLLEGE

Scholarship Guide

2025 Applications



Scholarships

Years 5 and 6 Scholarships

Academic, General Excellence, Music

Year 7 Scholarships

Academic, General Excellence, Music and Performing Arts

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General Information

PLC Perth is proud to offer a range of scholarships for academic achievement, general excellence, music and performing arts.

Available Scholarships

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Academic, General Excellence, Music

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Academic, General Excellence, Music, Performing Arts

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Rural Bursaries

Regional students applying for a scholarship will automatically be considered for a boarding place at PLC. Please note that due to capacity in the PLC Boarding House, boarding applications will only be accepted for students entering Years 7 and 8 in 2025.

Academic Assessment Service [AAS]

PLC uses Academic Assessment Services [AAS] to manage our scholarship programme. Applications for scholarships are completed online through the AAS portal.

Click [here](#) to be directed.

Eligibility

Years 5 and 6 Scholarships

Open to prospective students entering Years 5 and 6 in 2025, not currently attending PLC.

Year 7 Scholarships

Open to both current and prospective students entering Year 7 in 2025.

Years 8 - 10 Scholarships

Open to prospective students entering Years 8 - 10 in 2025, not currently attending PLC.

Please note that all candidates must be a citizen or permanent resident of Australia in order to apply.

All scholarships offered are subject to academic testing.

Dates

Applications open	November 2023
Applications close	Friday 2 February 2024
Regional, interstate and overseas applications close	Friday 26 January 2024
Scholarship Examination Day	Friday 9 February 2024
Performing Arts Auditions	Thursday 22 February 2024
Music Auditions	Friday 23 February 2024
Scholarship outcomes finalised and applicants advised by	End of March 2024

Fees

Application fee	\$105
Application fee [regional]	\$160
Application fee [Inter-state and overseas]	\$300

Contacts

For Academic, General Excellence, Music and Performing Arts Scholarship queries, please contact the PLC Admissions Team at registrar@plc.wa.edu.au or on 08 9460 6555.

Application Process

1. Complete the online application

Applications are completed via the Academic Assessment Services website. A link to the application page is available on the PLC website.

All applicants must apply via the academic testing link. Applicants who wish to apply for the General Excellence, Performing Arts and/or Music Scholarships should apply for those in addition to using the Academic Testing link. There is no additional fee to apply for multiple scholarships.

During the online registration process, documentation will need to be uploaded. You will find a list of the documents needed in the online application. All documentation must be uploaded and applications completed by the date of closure.

Financial Capability Assessments

Scholarships will cover a tuition fee reduction of varying values, from 15 to 50 percent. Should, for financial reasons, you wish to explore the possibility of additional scholarship support, there is the option to complete a Financial Capability Assessment. The assessment would be completed by an external agency [Edstart] at the cost of the College, and used in determining any increase in the scholarship offer. If this is an avenue you wish to pursue, please indicate this on the application form.

2. Academic Testing and Auditions

Academic Testing is scheduled for Friday 9 February 2024.

For regional, interstate or overseas applicants located 400 km or more away, alternative arrangements may be organised to sit the examination online at home. If you wish for this to occur, please register using either the remote or overseas scholarship application link.

The deadline for remote applications is Friday 26 January 2024 and testing will take place on Wednesday 7 February.

Testing Schedule

8.45 am - 9.00 am	Drop-off & Registration
9.15 am - 11.00 am	Principal's Tour & Information Session for Parents
9.15 am - 11.10 am	Testing Session 1
11.10 am - 11.30 am	Morning Tea
11.30 am - 1.00 pm	Testing Session 2
1.05 pm	Pick-up

Principal's Tour for Parents

Following drop-off, parents are invited to attend an information session and tour the Junior or Senior School with a member of our Leadership Team.

Auditions

Music auditions will be held in the PLC Music Building on Friday 23 February 2024.

Performing Arts auditions will be held in the PLC Lighthouse on Thursday 22 February 2024.

Candidates will be notified of their audition time as soon as possible, following the closing date.

3. Interviews

Following the academic testing and auditions, a shortlist of candidates will be invited in for an interview, approximately two weeks following the examination.

If you have indicated on the application form that you wish to complete a financial assessment to determine the percentage of the scholarship to be offered, you will be asked to complete this prior to the interview.

4. Scholarship Acceptance

Successful candidates will be notified in writing of the award of the Scholarship by end of March 2024.

Unsuccessful candidates will be notified as soon as possible after the scholarships are finalised.

The award of the Scholarship is at the full discretion of the Principal and no correspondence will be entered into.



Academic Scholarships General Excellence Scholarships

A number of Academic Scholarships will be awarded to students in Years 5 - 10 in 2025, who demonstrate a strong academic ability.

Award Criteria

Academic Scholarships are awarded to students who demonstrate:

- a conscientious approach to our academic programme and satisfactory progress;
- strong academic results and progress at school;
- a high level of engagement in learning activities; and
- a commitment by the applicant and the applicant's family to commit to PLC and the life of the College.

Academic Scholarships are awarded based on the results of a competitive examination and a personal interview.

A number of General Excellence Scholarships will be awarded to students in Years 5 - 10 in 2025, who demonstrate an active contribution to school life and the broader community.

Award Criteria

General Excellence Scholarships are awarded to students who demonstrate:

- an active contribution to school life, through the Arts, Sport and Community service;
- an active contribution to the broader community;
- support of the school values – integrity, learning, community and effort;
- a conscientious approach to our academic programme and satisfactory progress; and
- a commitment by the applicant and the applicant's family to commit to PLC and the life of the College.

General Excellence Scholarships are awarded based on the results of the academic testing, a personal interview and evidence of active participation in a range of activities such as Sport, the Arts and Community Service.

Eligibility [for both Academic and General Excellence scholarships]

PLC welcomes applications from prospective students entering Years 5 – 10, as well as current students entering Year 7 in 2025.

Candidates must be a citizen or permanent resident of Australia.

All rural candidates who wish to board at PLC will automatically be considered for a Rural Bursary. Rural bursaries are awarded at the discretion of the Principal.

Please note that due to capacity in our Boarding House, applications for a boarding place at PLC will only be considered for external students entering Years 7 and 8 in 2025.

Application [for both Academic and General Excellence scholarships]

At the time of online registration, the following documents must be uploaded:

- two latest school reports;
- most recent NAPLAN results; and
- copies of relevant references, certificates or commendations to support the application.
- For **General Excellence applicants**: a brief handwritten summary from the candidate outlining her contributions to the community through service activities, her participation in co-curricular activities and any leadership positions she may have held.

Costs not covered by these scholarships include the remainder of the tuition fees, the technology fee, uniform, music lessons and instrument hire, excursions and co-curricular activities.





Music Scholarships

A number of Music Scholarships will be awarded to students in Years 5 - 10 in 2025 based upon evidence of musical excellence as well as musical potential.

Eligibility

PLC welcomes applications from prospective students entering Years 5 – 10, as well as current students entering Year 7 in 2025.

Candidates must be a citizen or permanent resident of Australia.

Award Criteria

Music Scholarships are awarded to students who demonstrate:

- a high level of achievement in their chosen area of music study;
- a commitment to supporting musical life at PLC;
- a conscientious approach to our music and academic programme, and satisfactory progress;
- a positive contribution to the school community; and

- a commitment by the applicant and the applicant's family to commit to PLC and the life of the College.

The Music Scholarship award is also subject to:

- being a member of an instrumental ensemble[s]/ choir, as appropriate;
- selecting classroom music in Years 9 and 10 and participating in the choir; and
- competing formal music assessment [AMEB, PLC Internal Assessment Programme, etc].

Music Scholarships are awarded based on the results of a competitive examination, audition and a personal interview.

Costs not covered by the Scholarship include the remainder of the tuition fees, the technology fee, uniform, excursions and co-curricular activities.

Application

At the time of online registration, the following documents must be uploaded:

- AMEB or equivalent grade certificates;
- Relevant references, exam or eisteddfod reports; and
- Music Teacher Reference form ([click here](#)).

Audition Requirements

Auditions will be held in the PLC Music Building on Friday 23 February 2024. Invited candidates must be available on this date and suitably prepared for audition.

Applicants will be required to play two contrasting pieces of no more than three minutes in length, with piano accompaniment where required. Where two instruments are to be presented, only one piece on each instrument is required.

The audition will also include aural tests (intervals, rhythm, triads and pitch) appropriate for the candidate's level (AMEB or Year) and an interview.

The Audition Panel will consist of the Director of Music and one to two other specialist music staff.





Performing Arts Scholarships

A number of Performing Arts Scholarships will be awarded to students in Years 7 - 10 in 2025 who demonstrate an outstanding ability in Drama, Dance and/or Musical Theatre.

Eligibility

PLC welcomes applications from prospective students entering Years 7 - 10, as well as current students entering Year 7 in 2025, who enjoy being involved in a creative process and wish to participate actively in the Performing Arts programme at the College.

Candidates must be a citizen or permanent resident of Australia.

Award Criteria

Performing Arts Scholarships are awarded to students who demonstrate:

- a high level of achievement in their chosen area of performing arts;
- passion and enthusiasm, and a commitment to supporting the performing arts at PLC;

- a conscientious approach to the academic programme and satisfactory progress;
- a positive contribution to the school community; and
- a commitment by the applicant and the applicant's family to commit to PLC and the life of the College.

The Performing Arts Scholarship award is also subject to:

- participation in school productions and events, on stage and off; and
- selecting classroom Dance and/or Drama in Years 9 and 10.

It is expected that Performing Arts Scholarship holders will take every opportunity to involve themselves in the Performing Arts, both within the PLC curriculum as well as the co-curricular programme.

Costs not covered by the Scholarship include the remainder of the tuition fees, the technology fee, uniform, music lessons, excursions and co-curricular activities.

Application

At the time of online registration, the following documents must be uploaded:

- copies of relevant references, exams or reports relating to the Performing Arts; and
- a brief handwritten summary from the candidate outlining her involvement, achievements and experience in Theatre, Drama and/or Dance.

Audition Requirements

Auditions will be held in the PLC Lighthouse on Thursday 22 February 2024. Invited candidates must be available on this date and suitably prepared for audition.

Following the audition, there will be a short interview with the candidate and audition panel. During this interview, the candidate will have the opportunity to discuss their interests in the Performing Arts, their experiences, and their artistic aspirations. This discussion is not only a chance for the judges to get to know the candidate better but also an opportunity for the candidate to express their passion, dedication and commitment to the dramatic arts.

Drama applicants will be expected to perform a solo monologue audition piece lasting no more than three minutes. This monologue should be chosen carefully to highlight their acting abilities, emotional range, and storytelling skills.

Candidates are encouraged to approach this performance creatively. They can enhance their character portrayal by using costumes and makeup to immerse themselves in their chosen role fully. Additionally, candidates are encouraged to explore the use of sound and props, if necessary, to create a more immersive and captivating performance. This freedom allows candidates to express their creativity and interpretation of the material.

Dance applicants will be required to present a suitable solo audition piece of no more than two minutes and thirty seconds in length. The applicant should perform the piece in a dance genre of their choosing, showcasing and including various technical skills, including:

- Pirouettes
- Kicks/grand battements/high brushes
- Leaps/grand jeté
- Any specialist skills

Applicants are required to bring in their music as a backing track on a USB.

Musical Theatre applicants are required to prepare and present two contrasting musical theatre songs. During the audition, demonstration and application of characterisation should be presented whilst singing.

Applicants are required to bring in their music as a backing track on a USB.





Foundation Scholarships

Each year, the PLC Foundation offers scholarships to students who would otherwise be unable to attend PLC due to their family's financial circumstances.

The PLC Foundation Scholarship is offered to prospective students entering Year 7 and provides 100 per cent tuition fees from Years 7 to 12.

Applicants must sit the academic testing and provide evidence of a sound academic record, a commitment to community service, and participation in co-curricular activities.

Eligibility

PLC welcomes applications from prospective students entering Year 7 in 2025.

Candidates must be a citizen or permanent resident of Australia.

Award Criteria

Foundation Scholarships are awarded to students who demonstrate:

- successful progress in academic goals, giving their best to the academic programme through exemplary attendance, a conscientious effort and acceptance of advice and support;
- engagement in the life of the College by participating in a wide range of co-curricular activities; and
- a commitment by the applicant and the applicant's family to support the aims of the College and the Foundation scholarship programme.

Conditions of the Scholarship

- Academic progress will be reviewed at least annually.
- Scholarships are awarded on the basis that the student will remain enrolled at PLC until the conclusion of Year 12.

- The student will be expected to participate in at least one co-curricular activity per term.
- The student will be expected to attend the PLC Foundation Annual General Meeting, giving the student and the PLC Foundation members an opportunity to meet.
- Parents will be asked to provide confirmation of financial circumstances during the term of the Scholarship.

Application

At the time of registration, the following documents must be supplied:

- two latest school reports;
- most recent NAPLAN results;
- copies of relevant references, certificates or commendations to support the application;
- a supporting statement written by the student outlining her contributions to the community and her participation in co-curricular activities;
- a photograph of the student;
- statutory Declaration including a substantial statement of assets and liabilities;
- copies of the last two Taxation Assessments for relevant Personal Income Tax, and/or Trust Returns from both parents/guardians; and
- Centrelink or other assessments for the past two years [if applicable].

Costs not covered by the Scholarship include the technology fee, uniform, textbooks, music lessons and instrument hire, tours and exchanges and co-curricular activities.

For more information, please contact Suzanne Pelczar at foundation@plc.wa.edu.au or on 08 9460 6534.



Indigenous Scholarships

PLC provides outstanding educational opportunities for girls in a warm and caring environment.

Applicants will be chosen according to current academic progress, proven application to study, willingness to contribute to the PLC community, leadership qualities and motivation for tertiary study.

Successful applicants will join PLC's Indigenous Programme, Gorna Liyarn. This name is derived from the Kimberley region, where our scholarship programme has its roots. In the Bardi and Yawuru languages, Gorna Liyarn translates to 'strong heart' or 'strong spirit'. Students are involved in initiatives such as the dance troupe, Indigenous art, yarning circles, and community service activities, which are designed to develop a strong sense of cultural understanding, positive outcomes for students and strong partnerships in our community.

Application Dates

Applications open: January 2024

Applications close: April 2024

Eligibility

PLC welcomes applications from prospective students entering Year 7 in 2025. Indigenous scholarship applicants must be willing to board at PLC and must be eligible for Abstudy.

Students must identify as an Indigenous Australian. Prospective students should have sufficient self-confidence and personal support to enter a new school at Year 7 with the intention of continuing to Year 12.

Scholarship Inclusions

Indigenous scholarships cover:

- the balance of tuition and boarding fees, after Abstudy and parental financial contribution;
- textbooks and stationery;
- information and learning technology fees; and
- school uniforms.

Parental/Guardian Support

Students must have the support of their family and/or community. This will require emotional support and financial contribution.

The level of financial contribution is reviewed on an individual and highly confidential basis, with the expectation that families and/or communities will contribute according to their capacity. The Scholarship does not cover the provision of pocket money or other optional school activities or tours.

Award Criteria

Indigenous Scholarships are awarded to students who demonstrate:

- a positive attitude towards learning;
- sufficient study skills to cope with the demands of the curriculum, and good work habits eg. completing homework, preparedness to tackle new work;
- reasonable literacy and numeracy levels for age [academic progress will be reviewed at least annually];
- an ability to adjust to and respond positively to the College environment and have the social skills and confidence to relate well with others.
- Students may also demonstrate: an outstanding talent in a particular field of endeavour such as in sport, art, dance, music, drama, leadership, etc.

Application

The Indigenous Scholarship application form can be downloaded from the PLC website. At the time of application, the following details/documents must be supplied:

- name and contact details of the applicant and parents/guardians;
- two latest school reports and most recent NAPLAN results;
- Birth Certificate;
- a sample of written work undertaken in the last term [eg. a research project, creative writing, essay, or other assignments];
- a handwritten statement from the applicant outlining why she is seeking the scholarship and addressing the selection criteria; and
- a written reference including name of referee and contact details.

Interview - Term 2 2024 [date to be confirmed]

A shortlist of candidates will be selected for a personal interview with the scholarship panel.

For more information, please contact the Admissions Team a registrar@plc.wa.edu.au or on 08 9460 6555.





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