

### **Kadina Apex Scholarships**

#### What are the Kadina Apex Scholarships?

The Apex Scholarships were established in 2018 by the Kadina Apex Club. The scholarships have a special emphasis on the development of opportunities for members of our community through apprenticeships and tertiary education. They aim to ensure that our residents' aspirations and goals are not disadvantaged by family circumstances or by having a rural background.

The Kadina Apex Club offers two Scholarships per year, one to a first year apprentice, and one to a first year tertiary student. Each scholarship is to the amount of \$3000 for a one year period only. Scholarships are provided to assist with tuition, accommodation, travel and equipment.

#### Who can apply?

The Apex Scholarships are open to individuals living in the Copper Coast and surrounding areas and who are completing their final year of secondary school, including Year 11 students who may start a trade.

Applicants must be intending to commence their first year of enrolment in a tertiary course or their first year of being contracted to an apprenticeship in 2024.

#### I am thinking of taking a gap year, should I apply?

Students who intend to defer their studies and take a gap year should not apply for the scholarship, however, they are encouraged to apply upon return to their studies.

#### **Eligibility Criteria:**

1. The applicant is intending to enrol in a tertiary course or is intending to undertake an apprenticeship.

2. The applicant has not previously been enrolled in a tertiary course or previously been contracted to an apprenticeship.

3. The Apex Scholarships are open to individuals who have resided within the Copper Coast and surrounding areas for the past 3 year and are completing their final year of secondary school, including Year 11 students who may start a trade.

4. The applicant must be of good character and conduct, well-mannered and be fair and honourable in his or her dealings.

5. The applicant has a reasonable standard of academic achievement or has demonstrated consistent improvement, but need not be in the highest academic grade.

6. The applicant must be able to demonstrate how this scholarship will enable the achievement of educational or training goals.

#### **Desirable Characteristics:**

• The applicant is able to demonstrate service to the community.

#### **Required Supporting Documentation:**

- Proof of residential address or a statutory declaration stating residential address.
- Teacher and/or employer referee statements covering characteristics such as the applicant's values, work ethic, commitment, motivation, integrity and altruism. Contact details should be included so that the panel may, if they see fit, make further enquiries.
- School leaver's statement and/or most recent student achievement record (photocopies, not originals) upon request if shortlisted for scholarship.
- Proof of enrolment in tertiary course or copy of apprenticeship contract (photocopies, not originals) upon request if shortlisted for scholarship.

#### Selection and interview process

The selection process will involve the assessment of how well each applicant meets the selection criteria. The selection panel will assess the information provided by all applicants and determine which applicants warrant an interview late October.

These applicants will be contacted via phone to let them know that they are still being considered.

The number of shortlisted applicants will be at the discretion of the panel. It is anticipated that interviews will be conducted with shortlisted applicants in late February, 2024. Successful applicants will be announced in mid-March, 2024. The decision of the interview panel will be final.

#### When do applications close?

The closing date for applications is 5:00 pm, Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.

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#### **1.0 Applicant Details:**

Title:
Given name:
Surname:
Date of Birth:
Gender:
Residential Address:
Postal Address:
Contact phone number:
Email address:

Please attach proof of residential address or a statutory declaration stating residential address.

## 2.0 Please state the tertiary course in which you are intending to enrol or the apprenticeship for which you hope to have a contract:

Please have proof of enrolment/trade ready for your interview in February 2024. A copy of your tertiary course or copy of apprenticeship contract (photocopies, not originals).

#### **3.0 Previous education:**

Primary/Secondary

name of institution

years attended year completed

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Please have a copy of your School leaver's statement and/or most recent student achievement record (photocopies, not originals) for your interview if requested.

#### 4.0 Other Scholarships

**4.1 Have you received any other prizes, awards or scholarships?** Yes/No If yes, please provide details:

**4.2 Have you applied for any other scholarships?**Yes/NoIf yes, please provide details:Yes/No

5.0 Please share details of your extra-curricular and voluntary activities, and any service provided to the community.

6.0 What are your employment goals after completion of your studies?

7.0 If you were to receive this scholarship, how would you use the money and what difference would the Scholarship make to you and your family? What, if any, special circumstances would you like the panel to consider in regard to your application?

8.0 Contact details of referees:

#### Referee 1:

Name:
Job title:
Address:
Best contact number:
Email address:

#### Referee 2:

Name: Job title: Address: Best contact number: Email address:

Please attach letters from teachers and/or employers. Referees should cover the applicant's characteristics such as the applicant's values, work ethic, commitment, motivation, integrity and altruism. Referees are encouraged to include how this scholarship may benefit the applicant. Contact details must be included so that the panel may, if they see fit, make further enquiries.

#### 9.0 Declaration:

I declare that the information I have supplied on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that if I am awarded the scholarship and the Kadina Apex Club at any time thereafter forms the reasonable view that my application included false or misleading information or documentation, the scholarship may be cancelled and any funds I have been paid must be refunded.

I understand that, should I be awarded the scholarship, on request I will provide invoices/proof that the scholarship funding has been spent on appropriate study-related expenses.

I authorise the Kadina Apex Club to obtain additional information deemed necessary to asses my application for this scholarship.

I understand that the Kadina Apex Club will not disclose any information supplied on the application form or obtained for the selection process without written consent of the applicant.

I agree to do a short presentation to the Kadina Apex Club during my study.

I declare that I will notify the Kadina Apex Club immediately in writing of any changes of circumstance affecting the purpose and conditions of the scholarship.

#### Applicant signature:

#### date:

If you have any questions about your application please contact Bethany Paterson, Kadina Apex Club, via email, <u>kadina@apex.org.au</u>.

Please return the completed application form with required supporting documents to: Bethany Paterson via <u>kadina@apex.org.au</u>

Bethany Paterson, PO Box 68, Kadina, SA, 5554

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