

Aspiring Dream Scholarship

Purpose

Mary Ward famously said, “I hope in God, it will be seen, that women in time to come will do much.” And our founder of Loreto in Australia, Mother Gonzaga Barry said, “Aim for something excellent..our ideals often make our realities”

In 2019, Loreto College held a fundraising event for the regional launch of the Michelle Payne movie, Ride Like a Girl. All proceeds from ticket sales and donations from this event went towards establishing the new Loreto Aspiring Dream Scholarship.

Just like Michelle Payne, when she left Loreto College at the end of year 9 to pursue her wild dream to win the Melbourne Cup, this new scholarship aims to support future Loreto graduates to pursue their ambition or explore what they would like to do.

The inaugural Loreto Aspiring Dream Scholarship owes its beginning to Regent Cinemas Ballarat who assisted the College to raise over \$10,000.00.

The College will continue fundraising efforts to support the ongoing sustainability of this scholarship.

Scope

The scholarship is open to any graduating or leaving student of Loreto College Ballarat to pursue her ‘dream’, whether to help her achieve her ambition or to explore something specific that she wants to do.

Scholarship Information

Loreto College will open applications for the Aspiring Dream Scholarship annually in Semester 2 with the scholarship being offered before the end of Term 4, 2020.

Students may self-nominate or parents and teachers can encourage students to apply.

Criteria:

Applicants must demonstrate in a suitable format (for example in writing, by portfolio, video or interview) what is her 'dream'. Formal application including the minimum details is to be submitted to the Principal:

- 1. Name:**
- 2. Year Level:**
- 3. Proposed Year of Leaving or Graduating:**
- 4. The 'dream' or ambition: (*attached or presentation format and date to be advised*)**
- 5. How the scholarship will support the student:**
- 6. Evidence of reliability and conscientious commitment to achieve the dream:**
- 7. List contact details (Phone and email) of at least two referees who can support this scholarship application**

Particulars:

The amount of \$10,000 that was raised will support one scholarship each year for five years from 2020 – 2024. Dedicated fundraising should continue to support the ongoing availability of scholarship.

One scholarship each year of \$2,000 will be paid as a lump sum or in installments on evidence of acceptance into the program of choice and/or cost of the-material support required to enable the recipient to pursue her dream.

The recipient must remain in contact with the College for a period of five years or appropriate time to share the story of the recipient's chosen path. The recipient must make a commitment that she will return to the school and/or provide regular updates to the Marketing & Development Office.

The recipient of the scholarship will be selected via a designated Committee including:

- A staff member who knows the nominee(s)
- Year Level Coordinator(s) of the nominee(s)
- A member of the Marketing & Development Committee
- The Principal (or Principal's nominee)

The name of the recipient must be presented to the College Awards Committee and recorded on the Awards register.