2028 SCHOLARSHIPS



NEWCASTLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL



GENERAL INFORMATION

Newcastle Grammar School is committed to supporting all students to achieve their potential. Our Scholarship Program enables outstanding and dedicated students to become part of the Newcastle Grammar School community. Scholarships assist families with tuition costs and empower students to pursue their passions, extend their learning and shape their future through the High Performing Students Program.

In 2028 we are offering scholarships in the following areas:

ACADEMIC

Available for students entering Year 7 and Year 10 in 2028.

Academic scholarships are awarded to students who display exceptional potential in intellectual pursuits and high academic performance. They are actively engaged in their learning, curious about the world and enjoy exploring challenging concepts. They also contribute to their school and demonstrate positive character traits.

SPORT

Available for students entering Year 7 in 2028.

Sport scholarships are awarded to students who display exceptional potential in the physical domain, evidenced by outstanding skills in a sporting context. They have achieved at a high level *(Regional representation or above)* in their chosen field and demonstrated strengths in perseverance, resilience and teamwork. They also contribute to their school across other domains and demonstrate positive character traits.

CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS (CAPA)

Available for students entering Year 7 or Year 10 in 2028.

CAPA scholarships are awarded to students who display exceptional potential in areas such as music, drama, design and visual arts. They are creative, imaginative and inventive, producing original and highly skilled work. They also contribute to their school and demonstrate positive character traits.

APPLICATION

Applications are open to all students (except students who currently hold an NGS scholarship).

Applicants must be an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident.

External applicants must complete an Application for Enrolment prior to applying for a scholarship.

External applicants are required to attend a School Tour on Wednesday 24 February 2027.

All scholarship applicants are required to sit the Academic Scholarship Examination.

REGISTRATION

Registration is currently open for 2028 scholarships.

CLOSING DATE

Strictly 9.00am Friday 26 February 2027

APPLICATION FEE

An application fee of $150.00 is required to be paid online directly to Academic Assessment Services. An enrolment application ($330.00) for external students must be submitted via the NGS website before a Scholarship Application can be lodged.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Students who wish to apply for a Scholarship must register for the Academic Assessment Services examination by the strict closing date **– Friday 26 February 2027 9.00am.** Students will sit the Scholarship examination which will be held at Hill Campus on **Wednesday 3 March 2027** commencing at 8.30am.

All applications must be received online by Academic Assessment Services by the closing date. Additional information and portfolio (if required – see Discipline Specific Additional Application Requirements) must be submitted prior to **9.00am on Friday 26 February 2027** to be considered. Additional information may be submitted via email with attachments to enrolments@ngs.nsw.edu.au or be addressed to the Head of Enrolments and marked Private and Confidential. If this additional information is not submitted by **9.00am Friday 26 February 2027** the Application will not be considered.

EXAMINATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

EXAMINATION

All Students who wish to apply for a Scholarship at Newcastle Grammar School in 2028 will be required to sit for the Academic Assessment Services Examination paper, which will be held at the School on **Wednesday 3 March 2027 commencing at 8.30am.**

Please note: All students **(all disciplines)** must sit for the examination on the same date at Newcastle Grammar School. We are unable to accept preferencing for a different date or provide for the Examination at an alternate school campus or alternate time. Please ensure that you have no conflicting work, sporting or social commitments.

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SELECTION

The Scholarship candidates will be selected based on the assessment of the following criteria where appropriate:

- Academic Assessment Services Scholarship Application Form
- Academic Assessment Services Scholarship Examination results
- Supplementary information / portfolio
- Additional audition / interview
- Demonstrate a genuine interest and commitment in chosen area at a high level
- Scholarships are awarded at the discretion of the School and the School's decision is final

PROCESS FOR AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS

1. A Scholarship Committee is responsible for reviewing academic results, applications and audition / interview results
2. A shortlist is established
3. Shortlisted students and parents are invited to an interview
4. A Scholarship may be awarded based on the outcome of the interview

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS



ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Available for students entering Year 7 and Year 10 only in 2028.

All Academic Scholarship candidates are required to sit the Academic Examination on **Wednesday 3 March 2027**.

Additionally, non NGS candidates will be required to submit the last two school reports and most recent NAPLAN results prior to the application close time of 9.00am Friday 26 February 2027.

They must also attend an applicant and parent/carer interview with committee members if shortlisted. This interview will be organised after the results and portfolios have been reviewed.



SPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

Available for students entering **Year 7 in 2028.**

All Sport Scholarship candidates are required to sit the Academic Examination on **Wednesday 3 March 2027**.

All Sport Scholarship candidates will have achieved at least at a Regional Representative level.

ADDITIONALLY, CANDIDATES WILL BE REQUIRED TO:

- Submit Sporting resume with two character references (coaches, team managers, teachers - please no family members)
- Complete the Sports Scholarship Athlete questionnaire as part of the application process
- Attend an applicant and parent/carer interview with committee members if shortlisted. This interview will be organised after the results and portfolios have been reviewed

It is suggested that candidates applying for Scholarships in 2028 must be at or above the levels outlined below:

- Regional Representative (e.g. Hunter Region PSSA, NSWCIS, Polding) or above for one or more sports.

Sports Scholarship holders are expected to be fully involved in the co-curricular sporting offerings of the school and to represent NGS in their chosen sports among others on offer for which the successful candidate is selected.



CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Available for students entering **Year 7 or Year 10 in 2028.**

- All CAPA Scholarship candidates are required to sit the Academic Examination on **Wednesday 3 March 2027**.
- Candidates will be required to submit their last two school reports and most recent NAPLAN results.
- Provide a one-page CV detailing any relevant performance experience or achievements.

After the closing date, the list of candidates will be allocated an audition / interview time at the School, based on their strongest artistic discipline.

CAPA Scholarship candidates should consider which of the artistic disciplines they would to be assessed on, outlined below. If candidates have strengths in more than one area, they should present their strongest artistic discipline and share their other experience on their application and during their interview. If a potential CAPA candidate's artistic discipline falls beyond the scope of the areas described below they are to contact the School for direction.

MUSIC

Year 7 candidates will be required to:

- Perform two contrasting pieces of approximately two (2)-minutes length each
- Answer questions relating to the performed works, as well as their performance experiences and interests
- Attempt an aural and sightreading test

It is suggested that candidates considering applying for CAPA Scholarships (Music):

- Are receiving private tuition for their instrument(s)
- Have achievement in AMEB, Trinity, or its equivalent in performance experience as appropriate for their instrument(s)

CAPA Scholarship (Music) holders are required to study either Elective Music in Years 9 to 12, or another Elective CAPA subject in Years 9 to 12 as fits their skills and interests. They are also expected to be fully involved in the Co-curricular and service music life of the School.

MUSIC

Year 10 candidates will be required to:

- Perform two contrasting pieces of approximately three (3)-minutes length each
- Answer questions relating to the performed works
- Attempt an aural and sightreading test

It is suggested that candidates considering applying for CAPA Scholarships (Music):

- Are receiving private tuition for their instrument(s)
- Have achievement in AMEB, Trinity, or its equivalent in performance experience as appropriate for their Instrument(s)

CAPA Scholarship (Music) holders are required to study Elective Music in Years 10 to 12. They are also expected to be fully involved in the Co-curricular and service music life of the School.



DRAMA

Year 7 candidates will be required to:

- Perform two contrasting monologues of up to 1.5-minutes length each
- Answer questions relating to the performed works, as well as their performance experiences and interests
- Perform an unseen piece of text supplied on the day (approximately 30 seconds)

It is suggested that candidates considering applying for CAPA Scholarships (Drama):

- Are receiving private or group Drama tuition
- Have achievement in Trinity Speech and Drama, similar programs, or sustained stage performance experience

CAPA Scholarship (Drama) holders are required to study either Elective Drama in Years 9 to 12, or another Elective CAPA subject in Years 9 to 12 as fits their skills and interests. They are also expected to be fully involved in the Co-curricular and performance life of the School.

Year 10 candidates will be required to:

- Perform two contrasting monologues of up to two (2)-minutes length each
- Answer questions relating to the performed works
- Perform an unseen piece of text supplied on the day (approximately 1 minute)

It is suggested that candidates considering applying for CAPA Scholarships (Drama):

- Are receiving private or group Drama tuition
- Have achievement in Trinity Speech and Drama, similar programs, or sustained stage performance experience

CAPA Scholarship (Drama) holders are required to study Elective Drama in Years 10 to 12. They are also expected to be fully involved in the Co-curricular and performance life of the School.

VISUAL ARTS/DESIGN FILMMAKING

Year 7 candidates will be required to:

- Submit a portfolio of 5 – 7 recently completed artworks/projects (one item may be a Visual Arts Diary/sketchbook with preliminary ideas or material practice) delivered personally, by mail or courier to the Hill Campus Reception prior to the closing date. Digital mediums to be submitted on a USB
- Attend a scheduled interview to answer questions relating to the submitted portfolio of artworks/projects, as well as their creative experiences and interests (20-minute interview)

It is suggested that candidates considering applying for CAPA Scholarships (Visual Arts/ Design/Filmmaking):

- Are receiving private or group tuition, or sustained workshop experiences beyond the academic classroom
- Have achievement in exhibitions, competitions, or programs both at school and externally

CAPA Scholarship (Visual Arts/Design/ Filmmaking) holders are required to study either Elective Visual Arts in Years 9 to 12, or another Elective CAPA subject in Years 9 to 12 as fits their skills and interests. They are also expected to be fully involved in the Co-curricular and event life of the School.

Year 10 candidates will be required to:

- Submit a portfolio of 6 – 8 recently completed artworks/projects (one item may be a Visual Arts Diary/sketchbook with preliminary ideas or material practice) delivered personally, by mail or courier to the Hill Campus Reception prior to the closing date. Digital mediums to be submitted on a USB
- Attend a scheduled interview to answer questions relating to the submitted portfolio of artworks/projects, as well as your experiences and interests (20 minutes)

It is suggested that candidates considering applying for CAPA Scholarships (Visual Arts/ Design/Filmmaking):

- Are receiving private or group tuition, or sustained workshop experiences beyond the academic classroom
- Have achievement in exhibitions, competitions, or programs both at school and externally

CAPA Scholarship (Visual Arts/Design/ Filmmaking) holders are required to study Elective Visual Arts in Years 10 to 12. They are also expected to be fully involved in the Co-curricular and event life of the School.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships come in the form of part remission of tuition fees. The value of each Scholarship may vary. **Academic, Sport and CAPA Scholarships may range in value from 25% to 50% of tuition fees.** In some instances, Scholarships of lesser value may be offered. The School reserves the right to withhold a Scholarship (in any year or discipline) if there are no candidates of sufficient merit. Current fees at Newcastle Grammar School can be found at **www.ngs.nsw.edu.au/enrolments**

LENGTH AND TENURE OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are subject to an annual formal review by the School in the light of progress, performance and attitude of the holder. It should be noted, however, that holders of Scholarships could normally expect the Scholarship to continue for the duration of their education at the School (or any other period for which the Scholarship has initially been offered).

WHEN DO WE FIND OUT?

Initial shortlisted applicants should be notified no later than Friday 25 June 2027. A letter or email will notify unsuccessful candidates as soon as possible after all offers have been made.

WHO SHOULD WE CONTACT?

Online application and testing queries
Academic Assessment Services – 02 9904 4933

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