



*Villa Maria College*  
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## Year 9

# Villa Maria College Foundation Scholarship

### Scholarship Objective

The objective of the Villa Maria College Foundation Scholarship is to support a student entering Year 9 who is at risk of not accessing a Catholic (Mercy) education. The criteria of being 'at risk' is where there is financial hardship, whānau/family upheaval, whānau/family illness or similar situations.

### Eligibility

To be eligible for a VMC Foundation Scholarship you must:

- Be a Preference student with a commitment to Mercy values\* as you understand them and eligible for enrolment within the Villa Maria College Enrolment Scheme;
- Be participating in special character activities within your current context;
- Be displaying leadership qualities;
- Be able to explain the difficulties that may prevent you from attending Villa Maria College.

### Assessment Criteria

The applications will be considered according to the following criteria:

- The overall quality of applications;
- Applicants' involvement with special character related activities; and
- Applicants' school and other achievements;
- Applicants' leadership experience;
- Applicants' explanations of the difficulties, which place them at risk of not accessing a Catholic (Mercy) education.
- What Applicants' can offer the College.

### Assessment Process

- Complete the application form and attach all relevant information and supporting documents by **26 June 2017**.
- The selection panel will convene to select scholarships after the closing date.
- Applicants will be advised of the outcome during August.
- Sisters of Mercy will determine the recipient of the Scholarship and their decision is final - no correspondence will be entered into.

### The Foundation Scholarship Award

- The Applicant who is awarded the Foundation Scholarship will receive full funding of College fees and a one-off funding for the Year 9 Uniform starting costs. Uniform items include the one-off purchasing of the following only: Blazer, Summer Dress, Winter Skirt, Winter Blouse, Socks (Summer 3 pairs and Winter 3 pairs), Cardigan, Long Loop Tie, Sun Hat, Navy Sports Shorts, PE Sports Top, Sports White Socks, Tracksuit Top and Tracksuit Pants.

\* Mercy Values focus on Atawhai – Mercy as our foundation and the emphasis on Whakaute – Respect, Tika – Justice and Manaakitanga – Hospitality as the way we live our charism.