



OPENING THE DOORS FOUNDATION
Keeping Koorie Kids in an Education of their Choice

SECTION 1

2021

APPLICATION FOR EDUCATION ASSISTANCE 2021

OPENING DATE: 14th of September 2020

CLOSING DATE: 1st of April 2021

OFFICE HOURS: 9am to 5pm, Tuesday to Friday

If you have questions or feedback about the grant application process contact
Brigid at enquiries@openingthedoors.org.au or **0401 487 414**.

If you have questions or feedback about the grant payment process contact
John at finance@openingthedoors.org.au or **0403 330 733**.

The office will be closed from the 19th of December 2020 until 11th of January 2021

OPENING THE DOORS FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATION 2021

Opening The Doors Foundation provides grants to families to assist with the extra costs of schooling of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

In 2021 Opening The Doors Foundation will support the costs of uniforms, books, IT needs and levies (Primary School only).

Maximum Grant Amounts in 2021

Prep	\$750
Year 1 – 6	\$600
Year 7	\$1,200
Year 8-12	\$1,000

If this is your child's first application with Opening The Doors Foundation you will need to submit a Confirmation of Aboriginality with their application. Each application must include estimated costs and nominated supplier/s or school with which you wish the Foundation to assist you. Allow at least two weeks for the application to be processed.

Opening The Doors Foundation respectfully acknowledges we are on sacred lands of the Wurundjeri Nation. We honour past and present Elders and support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to become the Elders of the future.



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Student's name: _____

Male / Female / Other (please tick) **Date of Birth:** _____

Primary parent or guardian: (please tick)

Address of primary parent or guardian: _____

_____ **Post Code:** _____

Tel: (Home) _____ **(Mob)** _____

Email: _____

Name of School: _____ **Boarding:** Yes No

Address of School: _____

_____ **Post Code:** _____

Telephone No of School: _____ **Principal:** _____

Contact Person: _____ **Tel:** _____

Email: _____

(We may need to contact this person about your application)

Year/Grade that student is enrolled in 2021: _____

Name of school attended in 2020: _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN

This section does not affect your child's eligibility for an Opening The Doors Foundation grant

Are you eligible for (please circle)

Parenting Payment? Yes No

Abstudy? Yes No

Family Tax Benefit A or B? Yes No

Have you/do you intend to apply for funding elsewhere? Yes No

OFFICE USE ONLY

Application Rec'd: _____

Returning Student Yes No

Application Number: _____

GRANT DETAILS

Before answering the following questions, find out the maximum amount/s that you would like covered by each supplier and school.

In 2021 Opening The Doors Foundation will support the costs of four categories:

1. Uniforms
2. Books
3. IT needs
4. Levies (Primary School only)

See section 1 for the maximum grant amounts available.

The Foundation has partnerships with suppliers all over Victoria. Go to <https://www.openingthedoors.org.au/apply-now> to see our list of preferred suppliers. If you would like your grant, or a portion of your grant, to go to a supplier which is not on this list, we may not be able to approve the grant. We will try our best to distribute funds to all suppliers you list below

QUESTIONS

1. Where would you like your grant to be sent?
 - a. School (answer question 2 and skip question 3)
 - b. Supplier/s (skip question 2 and answer question 3)
 - c. Both school and supplier/s (skip question 2 and answer question 3)
2. To which school costs would you like the grant to be allocated?
Write in order of priority

Category	Requested \$ Amount	Due Date of Payment (if applicable)
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
Total		

3. To which supplier/s would you like the grant to be allocated? (You may include your school as a supplier)

Supplier	Category	Requested \$ Amount	Due Date of Payment (if applicable)
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
Total			

PROGRESS REPORT

If your child is a new applicant you DO NOT need to fill in this section.
If your child has received a grant from the Foundation in the past, this section is a requirement for approval.

Please comment on the student's progress during 2020

Is there a 'good news story' about the student's experience? Did the Foundation's grant contribute to their experience?

Are there any difficulties/problems/obstacles that are getting in the way of the student's progress? Have these been discussed with the school?

The Foundation welcomes feedback on its educational grants program. Do you have feedback on any aspects of the grant program that could be enhanced?

CONDITIONS OF GRANT APPROVAL

1. The application must include a Confirmation of Aboriginality, unless on file at the Foundation
2. The student must be enrolled in a Catholic or Independent educational institution located within the state boundaries of Victoria
3. The student must be in Year Prep – 12
4. Each student can only submit one regular grant application per year
5. ALL sections of the applications must be complete, unless otherwise specified
6. Applications must be submitted before 1st of April 2021.
7. The final grant amount will not exceed the total of all requested assistance OR the maximum grant amount of the student's grade.
8. Grants DO NOT cover school fees.
9. Supplies must be collected before 1st of June 2021.

Please print this form out to sign below.

I agree to the conditions of grant approval and have completed all sections of the application as required.

Name of primary parent or guardian: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

RETURN APPLICATION TO:

enquiries@openingthedoors.org.au OR

Opening The Doors Foundation
PO Box 1088, Thornbury VIC 3071