

RYLINGTON PARK SCHOLARSHIP



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About the Scholarship

The Rylington Park Scholarship, founded by the Rylington Park Management Committee Inc., embodies Eric Farleigh's vision of engaging and nurturing Boyup Brook's youth in agricultural endeavours. Supported by the Shire of Boyup Brook, which continued its commitment after assuming management of Rylington Park farm, the scholarship aims to sustain the agricultural heritage of the community.

This exclusive scholarship will be awarded to two deserving year 10 students who currently reside within the Boyup Brook Shire and who have been accepted to attend, or are currently attending an Agricultural College for Years 11 and 12.

By providing financial support, the scholarship not only benefits the selected student but also ensures the ongoing vitality of agriculture in Boyup Brook.

- The first Scholarship valued at up to \$3,000, to be put towards tuition fees for the recipient's Years 11 and 12 education at the Agricultural school of their choice.
- The second Scholarship valued at up to \$1,500, to be put towards tuition fees for the recipient's Years 11 and 12 education at the Agricultural school of their choice.
- The scholarship funds will be paid in two instalments directly to the Agricultural College.
 - 50% at the beginning of Year 11
 - Remaining 50% at the beginning of Year 12.

The final decision on the scholarship award will consider:

- fulfilment of the selection criteria and performance during the interview, followed by a presentation to the Rylington Park Committee.

Should a recipient fail to complete their year, they may be asked to repay a prorated portion of that year's scholarship funds, ensuring accountability and commitment to their educational journey.

The successful applicants will be required to provide a presentation at the end of year 11 to the Rylington Park Committee on what they have learnt and achieved over the course of the year.





Application and Selection Criteria

For the Rylington Park Scholarship application, candidates are required to fulfill specific selection criteria. The selection panel prioritises candidates demonstrating a sincere interest in pursuing a career in agriculture.

Additionally, applicants who commit to utilising the skills and knowledge acquired through their education to benefit the Boyup Brook community in the future will be highly esteemed. This commitment to community contribution and the advancement of agricultural expertise in Boyup Brook is a core value of the scholarship selection process.

Applicants will be required to provide comprehensive responses to the following selection criteria as part of the application submission:

- 1 **Genuine Interest in Agriculture:** Candidates should demonstrate a passion for agriculture, showcasing it as their chosen career path.
- 2 **Commitment to the Boyup Brook Community:** Applicants are expected to illustrate their dedication to contributing to the Boyup Brook community, particularly how they plan to apply their acquired skills and knowledge locally.
- 3 **Interpersonal Skills and Values:** Candidates should exhibit strong interpersonal skills and share values that align with those of the scholarship and the community it serves.
- 4 **Understanding of Rylington Park Facility's:** Knowledge of Rylington Park Facility and its significance to the Boyup Brook community is crucial, highlighting the applicant's awareness of local agricultural initiatives.

Interview & Presentation

Every applicant for the Rylington Park Scholarship will undergo an interview where applicants will be asked questions aimed at revealing their interest across several key areas. Interview questions will be crafted to delve into the applicant's perspectives and sentiments regarding agriculture.

The interview, conducted by a discerning panel, aims to identify students with a deep-rooted interest in agriculture who are committed to leveraging their education for the benefit of the

Boyup Brook community.

Applicants will also be asked to make a 3-to-5-minute presentation to the Rylington Park Committee covering the selection criteria.



Important Dates to Remember

Applications must be received no later than the last Friday in September of the current year. Late applications will not be accepted. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the completed application is received before the closure date.

Announcement of Scholarships

The scholarships will be presented to successful recipients at the annual Boyup Brook District High School Graduation Ball.

Feedback/Progress Report

The successful applicants will be required to provide a presentation at the end of year 11 to the Rylington Park Committee on what they have learnt and achieved over the course of the year.

Timeline

Advertise the proposed scholarship as from 1 May until the last Friday in September each year:

- Shire Website (daily)
- Shire social media platforms (daily)
- Administration notice board (duration of time indicated above)
- Community Resource Centre notice board (duration of time indicated above)
- E-Gazette (Monthly)
- Gazette (Monthly)

Beginning of September of each year Applications Open

Last Friday in September of each year Applications Close

Second week of October of each year Applications reviewed/shortlisted

Third week of October of each year Interviews/presentations conducted

First week in December of each year Announcement of scholarships

Any enquiries in relation to the Rylington Park Scholarship can be directed to shire@boyupbrook.wa.gov.au.



Rylington Park was originally owned by Mr Eric Farleigh and was donated to the Shire of Boyup Brook in 1985 to facilitate agricultural research and training. Rylington Park Institute opened in 1987 and in 1988 won the National Award for Innovation in Local Government.

**Eric Farleigh
1898 - 1988
Portrait by Felicia Lowe**