



The Presbyterian and Methodist Schools Association (PMSA) is offering a limited number of opportunities for students currently in Year 11 and 12 within Brisbane Boys' College, Clayfield College, Somerville House and Sunshine Coast Grammar School to participate in the Christian Mission and Service Assistance Program -

The purpose of the assistance program is to:

- Provide an opportunity for students to serve God and grow in their Christian faith through engagement in a Christian Mission and Service opportunity.
- To inspire other students to be actively involved in Christian Mission and Service.

Two assistance packages with a maximum value of \$1250 per student will be available for each PMSA school.

## ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, an applicant must:

- Be a current Year 11 or 12 student of a PMSA school.
- Express a willingness to undertake involvement in a recognised Christian Mission and Service Program during 2024. Recognised programs would be those offered by church and parachurch groups. These may include programs in Australia or overseas. The program will give opportunity for the applicant to serve God and others, using their God given gifts. The applicant's school Chaplain will give guidance as to whether the desired initiative is a suitable program.

## CRITERIA

Applicants will be assessed on the following criteria:

- 1) Demonstration of active involvement in a Christian church, engagement in Christian faith, life and service, active involvement in their school's Christian ministry activities and modelling of the Christian ethos of their school.
- 2) Contribution to their PMSA school and demonstration of the PMSA values (Relationships, Excellence, Care, Ethics, Personal Development and Celebration).
- 3) Overall academic effort and suitability for the selected Christian Mission and Service project.
- 4) Commitment to personal and spiritual growth and a willingness to serve God.

## CONDITIONS

- 1) Each assistance package will be a maximum of \$1250 per student available for 2 students per PMSA school.
- 2) Any variation in enrolment from the recognised and approved Christian Mission and Service Program must be approved by the student's Chaplain, prior to any change, for eligibility to continue. Approval will be dependent upon evidence that the variation continues to meet the

intention of the Program.

3) The contribution is paid on evidence of acceptance into the Program.

## **TIMELINE**

The timeline for the selection for the Christian Mission and Service Assistance Program for 2024 is as follows:

**3 October 2023**

### **Program advertised**

Information will be disseminated in school newsletters and intranets, and via class and year level announcements.

Application forms and information will be available on the PMSA and school websites.

**15 November 2023**

### **Applications close**

Applications must be received by the PMSA by this date.

**November 2023**

### **Selection interviews [if required]**

The Selection Panel (PMSA Christian Ministry Advocate, Principal or Chaplain) will consider the applications and may request to meet with applicants.

**February 2024**

### **Announcement of Students and Awards**

Successful applicants will be announced and may be invited to attend an award presentation within their school.

**February 2025**

### **Report Submission**

Successful participants will submit a brief report to their Principal, Chaplain and the Christian Ministry Advocate following the completion of their Christian Mission and Service Program.



**APPLICATION FORM**

I ..... wish to apply for the PMSA Christian Mission and Service Assistance Program and confirm that to the best of my knowledge, the information I have provided in support of my application is accurate and true. I agree to the terms of the Program, and I have the support of my parent(s)/guardian in making this application.

I understand that the award of a Program is on a competitive basis and the decision of the PMSA is final. I authorise the PMSA to use the information provided in this application and to obtain further information regarding my application from my school if necessary.

..... Date .....  
(Signature of applicant)

I/We, the Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of the applicant endorse and support this application for the PMSA Christian Mission and Service Assistance program.

..... Date .....  
(Signature(s) of parent(s)/guardian(s))

**PERSONAL DETAILS**

Name:.....

Home address:  
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Email  
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Mobile: .....

Citizenship/ Residency status (please tick)    Australian Citizen     Permanent Resident

PMSA school: .....

Years enrolled: .....



## REQUIRED INFORMATION CHECKLIST

Please attach the following documents and information:

- A brief statement (no more than 500 words) on how this Program would assist you in growing in your relationship with God and in using your God given gifts.
- Supporting statement from your school Principal/Headmaster.
- Supporting statement from your school chaplain and/or local pastor.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Forward your application (marked confidential) by **Monday 15 November 2023** to:

[gcole@pmsa-schools.edu.au](mailto:gcole@pmsa-schools.edu.au)

## QUESTIONS?

For more information, please contact your school's Chaplain in the first instance or contact the PMSA Christian Ministry Advocate, Rev Graham Cole on (07) 3180 9111.