

Father Hefferan Memorial Bursaries and Awards Information for Applicants 2021

Background:

The Father Francis Hefferan Benevolent Fund was established in 2000 to encourage young people to achieve their goals by rewarding outstanding efforts in academia, the arts, or innovations pursuits.

Eligibility:

Applications are available to young people who

- are between the ages of 15 and 25 years
- reside in, or have resided in, the Sunshine Coast District
- display proven exceptional ability, the pursuit of excellence and outstanding achievements in any of the categories for a minimum of two years.

Guidelines:

- The categories are: **Academic, Arts, Innovation and Sport.**
- In each category, there is a Bursary and an Award. The value of the Bursary and Award is determined annually by the Father Francis Hefferan Benevolent Fund Committee.
- Application Form is available at stjoe.nambour@bne.catholic.net.au
- Applications are to be submitted by email to stjoe.nambour@bne.catholic.net.au
- An applicant may apply in more than one category. A separate application is required for each category.
- A winner of a Bursary in any of the categories in previous years cannot re-apply.
- A winner of an Award in any of the categories in previous years may re-apply.
- Two written references must accompany the application. Both referees must have known the applicant for at least 2 years. One referee should comment on character. One referee should comment on the area of expertise and could be a teacher, Pastor, coach or family friend. Close family members may not be referees. Applications without 2 written references will not be considered.
- Late applications will not be considered.
- Members of the Father Francis Hefferan Benevolent Fund Committee choose successful applicants. The allocation of Bursaries and Awards is at the discretion of the Committee.
- No correspondence will be entered into regarding the decisions of the Committee.

Key Dates:

- Applications open Monday 26th July, 2021
- Applications close Monday Friday 27th August, 2021
- All applicants will be notified in writing by Friday 24th September, 2021
- Presentation of the Bursaries and Awards date to be advised.