



QATSIF
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ROUND 15

QATSIF Scholarship Student Application

This form must be fully completed and returned to your school ASAP before the closing date – **Monday 21 August 2023**.

Student Eligibility Criteria

An eligible QATSIF Scholarship Applicant:

- is a person of Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander descent who identifies as an Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander person, is accepted as such by the community in which they live and reported as such in the school's Federal and State Government Census Data.
- is an Australian citizen and resident of Queensland.
- is enrolled at this school as an Aboriginal or / and Torres Strait Islander student. **Students who have identified following their initial enrolment at the school should provide a *Confirmation of Aboriginality* to QATSIF with this application. (Note 1.)**
- intends to undertake and complete their *Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)* or *Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement** (QCIA) during the school years 2024-2025 and has the ability and the school's confidence of fully completing their QCE or QCIA* by Year 12 Graduation.
- has current school attendance of 85% or more.
- is under age 35.
- is currently achieving A-C in English and a C or higher in every current grade subject.
- demonstrates effort and behaviour of a C or above.
- participates in school activities which enhance their Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural identity.
- demonstrates willingness to fully participate in the life of the school and be a worthy role model of behaviour for other students.

Please Note:

* **QCIA – only for students counted in the NCCD (Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability)**

1. (QATSIF relies on each school's official Census data for the confirmation of Aboriginality for QATSIF Scholarship applicants. QATSIF advises schools to remind families of their obligations in terms of authenticity. **In situations where a student identifies as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander subsequent to school enrolment, Confirmation of Aboriginality documentation is required.** Please note that increasingly, Universities require Confirmation of Aboriginality documentation as part of their enrolment process.
2. Any approval of this application for a QATSIF Scholarship is conditional only and subject to QATSIF receiving written confirmation of the following matters:
 - a. the applicant is enrolled in, and has commenced attendance at, a Queensland Secondary School (the "**Receiving School**") for the purpose of completing their QCE or QCIA*;
 - b. the Receiving School is confident that the applicant has the ability to fully complete their QCE or QCIA* by Year 12 Graduation;
 - c. the Receiving School agrees to enter into a funding agreement with QATSIF.

Written confirmation of these matters is to be provided by the Receiving School and signed by the Principal of the Receiving School.



Application of QATSIF Scholarship Funds

QATSIF Scholarships of up to \$1000 per student per year are awarded via the student's senior school to assist families and provide for the costs of senior education. If successful, the school and family must dialogue and agree to the specific areas of expenditure.

Scholarship may only be applied towards*:	The Scholarship may not be used for:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Compulsory school fees ✓ Resource hire ✓ QCE subject and technology levies ✓ VET costs ✓ Stationery ✓ Textbooks ✓ QCE related excursions and camps ✓ Compulsory school uniforms ✓ Senior Jersey ✓ 1 x Grade 12 Formal / Graduation ticket ✓ A maximum contribution of \$300 toward either computer hire levies or the purchase of an IT Device. (# see notes below) ✓ Industry visits ✓ University and Careers expos ✓ Reasonable travel costs for QATSIF events ✓ School shoes ✓ TAFE / VET placement ✓ QTAC Application fees ✓ Certificate courses contributing points to a QCE <p><i>*They also must not be covered by other funding sources</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> × P&F fees × Capital building levies × Repairs or replacement of computers, laptops or similar devices × Staff wages × Tutoring × Co-curricular activities unrelated to the QCE × Boarding fees × Weekend activity costs × Toiletries and personal items × Sporting representation costs × Transport to and from school × Tuckshop expenses × Past fees, costs and charges from earlier years.

Computer hire levy / IT device purchase

Schools, QATSIF students and their parents / carers need to be aware that QATSIF:

- is willing to contribute a maximum of \$300 (across the entire 2 year QATSIF Scholarship period) toward the costs of either a computer hire levy or the purchase of an IT device where the use of such a device is approved by the school and necessary to enable the student to complete curriculum activities.
- will not fund repairs, damage or replacement of these IT devices and will not contribute to any costs associated with this.
- directs that any IT devices hired or purchased are for the exclusive use of the individual QATSIF Scholarship student and remain the property and responsibility of the hirer and / or student.
- is not responsible for either the inappropriate or illegal use of these IT devices.
- supports that all school rules, appropriate usage guidelines and school agreements apply to QATSIF students just as they do to all other students.



Round 15 QATSIF Scholarship – Applicant Declaration

Student Details

Congratulations on being nominated by your school for a QATSIF Scholarship. This is a self-declaration to support your application. **(NB* Please be aware that providing inaccurate or misleading information is illegal).**

My name is: _____
(First name) (Last name)

and I identify as: Male Female Indeterminate/Intersex/Unspecified
(please tick one)

The suburb I live/board in is: _____
(Insert Qld. suburb only)

and I am currently completing: Year 10 Year 11
(please tick one)

at: _____
(Applicant's school)

My **Unique Student Identifier** is:

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The Unique Student Identifier (USI) is a 10 digit / letter code which allows students to track their studies. You can apply for or check your USI at: <https://www.usi.gov.au/>. This will help QATSIF to identify students who have the same name or move between schools.

Heritage Details

I do solemnly declare that: (please tick one)

I am of Aboriginal descent and identify as an Aboriginal person.

I am of Torres Strait Islander descent and identify as a Torres Strait Islander person.

I am of Aboriginal **and** Torres Strait Islander descent and **Identify as both** an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person.

My family's Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander **heritage** comes from the (if known):

People/Tribe/Clan/Area

(Insert Traditional Owner's group name/s)

or

I am currently unable to identify my family's Aboriginal and/ or Torres Strait Islander heritage, the reason for this is due to: (please tick one)

Loss of connection - Stolen Generations Family issues (e.g. divorce/separation)

Other (please explain briefly): _____



Applicant's Statement

You must support your application by letting our QATSIF Board of Advice know why you would be a worthy recipient of a QATSIF Scholarship.

NB* This should be the student's own work#, fully answer all questions and should be at least 100 words.

Students with a disability may receive any support they require.

To help you with your statement, please make sure you have answered the following questions:

- As a proud First Nations student, what would being awarded a QATSIF Scholarship mean to both you and your family?
- How would you benefit from the extra financial assistance and educational support?
- What do you plan to study in Year 11 and 12? Why have you chosen these subjects?
- What are your big dreams? What would you like to achieve or do as a career in the future?
- How would you show your pride in being a QATSIF Scholarship recipient within your school community?
(Attach additional pages if required)

Applicant's Signature

Date



Legal Guardian's Declaration and Publicity Consent

To further support your application, your Legal Guardian must complete this page. Both the Applicant and Legal Guardian must be fully aware, understand and agree to the statements below.

If you are under 18 years of age, consent from your legal guardian is required. **(NB* School staff members (e.g. Boarding staff) are not considered as Legal Guardians)**

(NB If you identify as an Independent Student, please adjust declaration to indicate your independency and sign below.)*

I _____, am the Legal Guardian of _____
 (Legal Guardian's full name *(or Independent Student's name)*) (, am an Independent Student)

_____ and I;
 (Applicant's full name *(not required for Independent Students)*)

- support my child's (*my*) application for a QATSIF Scholarship.
- am aware of the original source of QATSIF Funds being the interest component on previous funds set aside by the State Government for Stolen Wages reparations.
- will support my child (*myself*) to fully participate in the life of their (*my*) school and cultural community.
- understand that my child's (*my*) QATSIF Scholarship may be withdrawn if their (*my*) attendance rate falls below 85% and if they (*I*) do not continue to complete all academic requirements satisfactorily.
- understand that should my child (*I*) need to transfer schools and has been approved for a QATSIF Scholarship, the transfer of the scholarship cannot be guaranteed.

I hereby consent for Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Foundation (QATSIF) to use, reproduce, copy, exhibit, publish, broadcast or distribute (either in whole or in part) any photographs and/or videos taken of my child (*me*) and/or recordings made of my child's (*my*) voice (either in whole or in part) for the purpose of QATSIF celebrations, promotion and publications and by any medium.

I acknowledge and accept that in providing the above consent that no consideration and / or compensation whatsoever (including any monetary or non-monetary consideration and / or compensation) will be payable to my child (*me*) either now or at any time in the future and release QATSIF from any claim or liability arising now or at any time in the future in relation to the media particularised.

I do not wish to give publicity consent (Only tick if you do not wish to give publicity consent)

Legal Guardian's Signature

(or Independent Student's signature)

Date

(In signing the above, the named Legal Guardian (Independent student) warrants they have the capacity and / or authority to sign as Legal Guardian for and on behalf of the applicant.)



QATSIF Collection of Personal Student/Family and Cultural information

QATSIF collects and administers a range of personal information. QATSIF is committed to protecting the privacy of persons whose information it collects, holds and administers.

QATSIF recognises the essential right of individuals to have their information administered and protected in ways that they would reasonably expect.

Students who participate in the QATSIF Scholarship Program may, from time to time, be asked to participate in promotional activities associated with the program. Photographs and videos taken of participants during program activities and events may also be used for program promotion.

To allow QATSIF to continuously refine the program elements and better support participants, students and their families, students may be asked to contribute to program events and /or complete evaluation surveys on the program.

QATSIF complies with Australian and Queensland privacy laws and guidelines. QATSIF treats information collected by it as confidential. Personal information supplied by students or their parents/carers will only be used for the assessment of applications, for running the program and for the administrative or educational purposes of QATSIF and in accordance with the specific consent given by a parent or carer.

QATSIF will not make available to a third party any personal information supplied by you without consent unless disclosure is authorised or required by law. QATSIF may distribute aggregated statistical information for statutory reporting purposes but only in a form that will not identify any person individually.

We ask that parents or carers give their written consent regarding use of personal information, photographs and video as set out in the QATSIF Publicity Form.

Need further information?

Please contact QATSIF on 07 3257 1777 or at: enquiries@qatsif.org.au

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