

The Maddy Collins Scholarship Process and Application

The Maddy Collins Scholarship has been created by her extended family to celebrate the beautiful gift of education, inclusion and love provided to Maddy by the Mumbulla School community over the eight years of her attendance as a student at the school. Maddy has a dual diagnosis of Down Syndrome and Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). She entered Kindergarten in 2012 and graduated from Class 6 in 2019.

The Maddy Collins Scholarship has been established to assist children with a disability to attend Mumbulla School for Rudolf Steiner Education. For the purposes of this scholarship the criteria for assessing eligibility are based on the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* definition of disability.

Thank you for considering Mumbulla School for your child. To apply for **The Maddy Collins Scholarship**, please follow the steps below:

1. If possible, book an individual school tour by calling the Front Office on (02) 6492 3476. This will help you to find out more about Mumbulla School and to decide whether this is the right choice for your child and family.
2. Read the *Scholarship Conditions* on the following page.
3. Read the *Mumbulla School Handbook* (see website).
4. Decide if this school is appropriate for your child and your family

5. Complete the Mumbulla School *Application for Enrolment* (see website).
6. Complete this *Scholarship Application Form* which includes evidence of disability and financial need.
7. Deliver, post or email the following documents to be received by 31 August 2022:
 - Scholarship Application Form
 - Evidence of disability
 - Application for Enrolment
 - Evidence of financial need

Mail:

Mumbulla School Scholarship Program
37 Bega St
Bega, NSW, 2550

email:

scholarship@mumbullaschool.com.au

All applicants will receive notification as to the outcome of their application. Short listed applicants will be invited to attend a Scholarship Interview with the Maddy Collins Scholarship Fund Management Committee at the beginning of September 2022. A decision will be made by this Committee and then ratified by the Board of Directors of the School in September. In the interests of confidentiality, the recipient of the Scholarship will not be publicly announced.

Definitions

Maddy Collins Scholarship (“Scholarship”)

Mumbulla School for Rudolf Steiner Education (“the School”)

Scholarship Outline

1. The Scholarship is open to children who have a diagnosed disability, as defined in the Disability Discrimination Act, and whose parents or carers have a financial need. [For definition see below].
2. Evidence of the disability must be provided by an appropriate specialist, such as a general practitioner, paediatrician, speech pathologist, audiologist or educational psychologist.
3. The value of the Scholarship is 50% of tuition fees for the student's enrolment. Levies will still be due and payable by the family, where applicable.
4. The award of the Scholarship is at the absolute discretion of the School.
5. Applications should be via the *Maddy Collins Scholarship Application Form* and all documentation must be included when submitting the application. All information will be kept confidential. The School's Finance Officer can assist Parents/Guardians with completing the *Income and Expenditure Form* if requested.

Conditions of Scholarship

1. Parents/Guardians of applicants are required to demonstrate their commitment to Mumbulla School and its educational ethos. Parents/Guardians of successful applicants are required to sign the *Mumbulla School Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct and Student Code of Conduct*.
2. The Scholarship continues for the duration of the recipient's schooling at Mumbulla School unless the Scholarship or enrolment is cancelled.
3. The Scholarship may be cancelled if:
 - the recipient is suspended or expelled from School
 - the student leaves the School
 - the parent/guardian does not comply with the conditions of enrolment, the Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct and other relevant School policies and procedures

Application Closing Date: 31 August 2022

Disability is defined in Section 4 of the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 as:

- a. total or partial loss of the person's bodily or mental functions; or
- b. total or partial loss of a part of the body; or
- c. the presence in the body of organisms causing disease or illness; or
- d. the presence in the body of organisms capable of causing disease or illness; or
- e. the malfunction, malformation or disfigurement of a part of the person's body; or
- f. a disorder or malfunction that results in the person learning differently from a person without the disorder or malfunction; or
- g. a disorder, illness or disease that affects a person's thought processes, perception of reality, emotions or judgement or that results in disturbed behaviour; and includes a disability that:
- h. presently exists; or
- i. previously existed but no longer exists; or
- j. may exist in the future (including because of a genetic predisposition to that disability); or
- k. is imputed to a person.

To avoid doubt, a disability that is otherwise covered by this definition includes behaviour that is a symptom or manifestation of the disability.

Documented evidence of disability must address one or more of the above criteria.

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What do you know about Mumbulla School for Rudolf Steiner Education?
(for example: from School Handbook, School Tour, word of mouth, other)

Describe your child's disability and attach all relevant supporting evidence, including medical and professional reports. Include any information about any adaptations or adjustments to the school environment that you anticipate may be required throughout their schooling.

Why do you want your child to attend Mumbulla School for Rudolf Steiner Education? What do you hope for your child's education at this school?

Provide evidence of financial need for fee support via the *Income and Expenditure Form* with supporting documentation. (for example: Current tax returns, pay slips, Centrelink receipt, NDIS eligibility, any expenses associated with your child's disability). Please note: Assistance is available from the School's Finance Officer.

Signatures

- I/we acknowledge that the information provided in this form is true and correct and will be used to assist Mumbulla School for Rudolf Steiner Scholarship Panel to assess this application for The Maddy Collins Scholarship.
- I/we have read and agree to the terms as outlined in The Maddy Collins Scholarship Conditions.

Child name:

Parent/Guardian 1 name:

Parent/Guardian 2 name:

Signature (Parent/Guardian 1):

Signature (Parent/Guardian 2):

Date:

Date: