



NSW TEACHERS FEDERATION

Trainee Teacher Scholarships 2009

Rationale

The NSW Teachers Federation is a union that works to promote public education and enhance teaching and learning conditions in public schools and TAFE colleges.

This year twelve Trainee Teacher Scholarships are available from the NSW Teachers Federation with a value of \$3000 each. (Two of these scholarships are funded by the Retired Teachers Association.) The NSW Teachers Federation wishes to assist as many aspiring public education teachers as possible. Therefore, previous scholarship holders are not eligible to reapply in subsequent years.

The Trainee Teacher Scholarships are an example of Federation's ongoing support of public education. The Federation is also committed to building and supporting the teaching profession in public schools.

To be eligible to apply for the scholarships, applicants must address, in writing, the criteria outlined below.

Criteria

These scholarships are awarded to tertiary students enrolling in a teacher education degree course at a tertiary Institution and who are student members of the Teachers Federation. Successful applicants will also have completed year 12 (or the equivalent) at a public school or TAFE college **in NSW**.

The NSW Teachers Federation Trainee Teacher Scholarships Committee will award scholarships to two successful applicants from each of the following three categories:

- trainee teachers who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- trainee teachers from a rural or remote area, distant from the tertiary institution at which they are studying
- trainee teachers in their first year of a teacher training course

The remaining six scholarships will be from an unrestricted category and applicants may apply for this category as well as the above three categories (if appropriate).

The Committee requires applicants to provide evidence of the following:

- evidence of student membership of the NSW Teachers Federation (ie. student membership no.)
- HSC (or equivalent) academic results for first year applicants or university results from other applicants
- information and/or documentation relating to your financial circumstances that you consider relevant to your application
- evidence of tertiary institution admission.

A short statement (one A4 page only, 12 point font) is to be submitted to demonstrate an understanding of the value of public education and the importance of unions to society and your commitment to both.

Please ensure you attach your short statement and all other documents to the application form.

Please return to: Trainee Teacher Scholarships Committee
NSW Teachers Federation
Locked Bag 3010
Darlinghurst NSW 1300

Please mail in an "express post" envelope in order to obtain a receipt to verify date mailed
by noon Friday July 17, 2009.