

# YOUNG, BLACK & PROUD

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# ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIPS

All young people deserve the chance to achieve their best.

The Young, Black and Proud Scholarship (YBPS) program celebrates the talents and strengths of young Indigenous people who exhibit outstanding promise but who may lack the support and resources to fulfil their potential.

The scholarships include funding for either \$2000 or \$1000 to help recipients pursue their artistic or sporting dreams or further their education and training.

The YBPS program was launched in 2016 by ATSICHS Brisbane and in 2018 expanded statewide in partnership with the Queensland Family and Child Commission (QFCC).

## WHAT ARE THE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR?

The YBPSs will be awarded across three areas: education and training (primary, secondary and tertiary), the arts and sports.

### **Education and training**

This category supports young Indigenous students or trainees who want to pursue their education and training goals by providing scholarships that enable students in financial need to attend school, training and/or university.

You can receive funds towards educational or training goals. Funds can be used to pay for such things as course fees, equipment, uniforms, text books and stationery.

### **Arts**

This category is for innovative young Indigenous artists to undertake professional development programs and activities in their chosen field. The scholarship is open to young artists and performers from all art forms, including dance, design, digital arts (including photography), Aboriginal arts, literature, music, theatre, screen and the visual arts.

Funding can be used towards any items that support your ability to further your artistic goals, for example:

- equipment and materials
- marketing and planning, e.g., towards an exhibition
- travel and accommodation to a conference or exhibition fees.

### **Sport**

The sports scholarship category provides funds for up and coming young Indigenous athletes to help them successfully participate in the sports of their choice. Young people sometimes find it difficult to meet the ongoing and significant costs associated with participation at sporting competitions.

Funding can be used towards the cost of travel and/or accommodation to attend a sporting championship (state, national or international), camps and sports clinics, registration fees, uniforms or equipment.

# APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply for the Young, Black and Proud Scholarship (YBPS) you need to submit an application and answer a range of questions. The application form is available to download from the website and can be completed online or manually.

There are seven different sections that need to be completed. Completing them all gives you the best chance of winning a scholarship.

## **Section 1: Eligibility**

To be eligible for the scholarship you will need to:

- be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent
- be 25 years old or younger
- be living in South East Queensland or the Torres Strait
- to have had a 715 health check in the past 12 months.

## **Section 2: Your details**

These are just basic details about you and how we can contact you.

## **Section 3: Scholarship stream**

You need to tick what type of scholarship you are applying for – education and training, arts or sport.

## **Section 4: About you**

These are some short questions about you, your dreams and goals, and what you would do with the scholarship money. We also need a photo with your deadliest smile.

## **Section 5: Letter of support**

We need a letter of support from a community member, e.g. a teacher, coach or Elder.

## **Section 6: Photo and media**

We need your permission to use your photo on social media and websites. If you are under the age of 18 you will need to get your application signed by a parent/guardian.

## **Section 7: Agreement**

You will need to agree that all the info you are submitting is correct.

# UPDATES

If you are successful in getting a scholarship you will need to provide regular updates that ATSICHS Brisbane and the Queensland Family and Child Commission (QFCC) can use in promotional activities. You will need to also be available for interviews, photo opportunities and provide testimonials and quotes for future programs and media activities for ATSICHS Brisbane and QFCC including our websites and social media.

# THE ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Your application will be assessed against the following criteria:

- potential to significantly benefit and strengthen the applicant's development and further their skills, career and artistic or sporting dreams
- support skills development and career pathways for young Indigenous people
- contribute to the development and diversity of our Indigenous community
- work towards or build on a sustainable career path.

## WHAT IS THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS?

Applications will be assessed by an assessment panel from ATSICHS Brisbane. The assessment panel will consider each application and how well it meets the above criteria. The panel may request further information or clarification during the assessment process. You will be notified in writing of the outcome of your application.

## QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions about the YBPS or need help completing your application, please contact the YBPS Coordinator on (07) 3240 8900 (press 1) or email [helloyoungmob@atsichsbrisbane.org.au](mailto:helloyoungmob@atsichsbrisbane.org.au).

Applications and supporting documents can be submitted online (preferred method) or sent by post, fax or email.

You will be notified when your application is received.

### APPLICATIONS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS CAN BE SUBMITTED ONLINE OR SENT:

**By post** YBPS Coordinator | PO Box 8112 | Woolloongabba QLD 4102  
**By fax** (07) 3391 6196  
**By email** [helloyoungmob@atsichsbrisbane.org.au](mailto:helloyoungmob@atsichsbrisbane.org.au)

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