



## Sir John Monash Education Bursary Requirements and Conditions

*"Adopt as your fundamental creed that you will equip yourself for life,  
not solely for your own benefit but for the benefit of the whole community."*

*-Sir John Monash-*

Eligible applicants are invited to submit an essay of not less than 1000 words explaining their reasons for or against the proposition ***"Depend upon it, the only hope for Australia is the ballot box and an educated electorate"***.

During the depths of the world depression there was a move in Australia by an organisation called the "Old Guard" to mastermind a coup against the Federal Government, and attempts were made to recruit Sir John Monash to lead the coup.

In declining the invitation to be part of the coup movement, Sir John wrote: ***"Depend upon it, the only hope for Australia is the ballot box and an educated electorate"***.

**Do you believe that some 90 years later an "educated electorate" has been the cause for several upheavals being experienced, not only in Australian politics, but politics world-wide?**

Applicants will, in 2024, be entering into post-secondary education through University, College or TAFE, or an approved course of formal training with a Registered Training Organisation, ie apprentices, trainees, adult education.

Essays will be judged by a panel chosen by Council.

The successful applicant will be announced at the Remembrance Day Service to be held at the Jerilderie Cenotaph on Saturday 11 November 2023, commencing 11.00am.

The Bursary of \$2,000 is awarded to assist with personal costs associated with course expenses.

### Conditions

1. Applicant must be a resident of the Murrumbidgee Council Local Government area.
2. The successful applicant may defer the bursary for one year only, after which the bursary will be forfeited.

3. The Education Bursary is a reimbursement to the value of \$2,000 (Council must be satisfied of expenditure incurred prior to reimbursement being made).
4. The essay must be of at least 1000 words. Essay must be submitted using format: Arial 12 point, 1.15 spacing, 3cm left hand margin and include footer with applicant name and page number. Bursary Cover Sheet must be attached to essay.
5. Essays will be received by the General Manager up until **4.00pm on Friday 3 November 2023**. Late submissions will not be accepted. Essays can be posted to the General Manager, Murrumbidgee Council, PO Box 96, Jerilderie NSW 2716; delivered to the Council Offices at:
  - 35 Jerilderie Street, Jerilderie;
  - Brolga Place, Coleambally; or
  - 21 Carrington Street, Darlington Point

or emailed to: [mail@murrumbidgee.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mail@murrumbidgee.nsw.gov.au)

6. The applicant acknowledges the right of Murrumbidgee Council to use all or part of their essay in support of Council's promotion of Sir John Monash.