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**THE SECONDARY SCHOOL ACADEMIC BURSARIES  
REGULATIONS 1973**

DENIS BLUNDELL, Governor-General

**ORDER IN COUNCIL**

At the Government House at Wellington this 17th day of September 1973

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Education Act 1964, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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**REGULATIONS**

**1. Title**—These regulations may be cited as the Secondary School Academic Bursaries Regulations 1973.

**2. Interpretation**—In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“Bursary” means an academic bursary payable under these regulations:

“Director-General” means the Director-General of Education:

“Home”, in relation to a pupil, means the home, or usual place of residence, in New Zealand, of the pupil:

“Nominated subject” means a subject prescribed for the School Certificate Examination in accordance with the Education (Secondary Instruction) Regulations 1968\* in which a pupil desires to be given instruction.

**3. Award of bursaries**—The Director-General may, in accordance with these regulations, award a bursary to any pupil eligible to receive the bursary to enable him to study at a State secondary school or a registered private secondary school.

**4. Value of bursary**—Subject to these regulations, the maximum annual value of a bursary shall be \$300 for each year of its tenure.

**5. Number of bursaries awarded annually**—The maximum number of bursaries which may be awarded annually shall be 400.

**6. Eligibility for bursary**—A pupil shall be eligible to receive a bursary if he—

- (a) Is unable to obtain instruction for the purposes of his sitting the School Certificate Examination in one or more of his nominated subjects at the nearest State secondary school at which he could reasonably be expected to attend; and
- (b) Would be required to live away from home in order to obtain instruction at a State secondary school in his nominated subjects, and his home is more than 4.8 kilometres from the nearest State secondary school at which he could obtain that instruction; and
- (c) Requires a course of instruction in at least 3 nominated subjects;
- (d) Includes among his nominated subjects at least 3 of the following subjects:
  - (i) Maori:
  - (ii) A language other than Maori or English;
  - (iii) A second language other than Maori or English;
  - (iv) Science;
  - (v) Mathematics;
- (e) Is recommended by the headteacher of the primary school that he at present attends or did last attend, or the principal of the secondary school that he at present attends, as having sufficient ability to be able to complete his chosen course of study and pass the School Certificate Examination in at least any 3 subjects.

**7. Bursary for daily travel**—Notwithstanding anything in paragraph (b) of regulation 6 of these regulations, the Director-General may grant a bursary to a pupil to enable him to travel daily to and from a State secondary school or a registered private secondary school where he can obtain suitable instruction for the purposes of these regulations.

**8. Academic ability to be taken into account in awarding bursaries**—(1) In awarding a bursary the Director-General shall have regard to the relative standards of academic ability of all the eligible applicants.

(2) The principal or headteacher of the school in which the applicant is at present enrolled, or if the applicant is not at present enrolled in any school, the principal or headteacher of the school in which the applicant was last enrolled, shall forward to the Director-General together with the application for a bursary a confidential report on the form supplied by the Director-General on the academic attainment of the applicant.

**9. Bursaries not tenable with other awards**—(1) Notwithstanding anything in these regulations, no pupil shall, unless with the authority of the Director-General given after consideration of the special circumstances of any case, or class of cases, be eligible to receive any bursary while he holds any other scholarship, bursary, or allowance, by whatever name called, awarded or made from public funds for the purpose of assisting him to further his education.

(2) If, with the authority of the Director-General, any pupil receives a bursary concurrently with any other scholarship, bursary, or allowance, awarded or made from public funds, the value of the bursary under these regulations may be reduced by such amount (if any) as the Director-General considers reasonable in the circumstances.

**10. Applications for bursaries**—Every application for the award of a bursary shall be made by the applicant to the headteacher or principal of the school at which the applicant is at present enrolled, or if the applicant is not at present enrolled in any school, by the headteacher or principal of the school in which the applicant was last enrolled, on the form provided by the Director-General for the purpose, and the headteacher or principal shall not later than the 15th day of October of the year immediately preceding that to which the application relates, send the application to the Director-General.

**11. Tenure of bursaries**—A bursary shall be awarded for an initial period of 1 year. Except as otherwise provided by these regulations, if the pupil remains eligible to receive the bursary and remains enrolled at the same school, and has his home in the same location, as those shown in his application for the bursary, a bursary may be renewed each succeeding year after the initial year until the pupil sits the School Certificate Examination; but no pupil shall receive a bursary for a total of more than 3 years.

**12. Variation in course of instruction**—Subject to paragraph (d) of regulation 6 of these regulations, with the prior approval of the Director-General, the bursar may at any time change any nominated subject to any other nominated subject.

**13. Assessment of progress**—(1) The principal of any secondary school at which a bursar is for the time being enrolled as a pupil shall, at the end of each school term, report to the Director-General, on the form provided by the Director-General, making an assessment on the academic progress of the bursar.

(2) The assessment given for each bursar shall be used by the Director-General in assessing the academic progress of the bursar for the purposes of paragraph (c) of subclause (1) of regulation 15 of these regulations.

**14. Payment of bursaries—**(1) Except for the purposes of regulation 7 of these regulations, payment of a bursary shall be made at the end of each school term as follows:

- (a) If the pupil is boarding at a hostel under the control of the controlling authority of a school, to the controlling authority to be credited to the hostel account of the pupil; or
- (b) If the pupil is boarding privately, to the school controlling authority of the school he attends which shall pay the sum received to the pupil's parents or to the authorised agent of the pupil's parents.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in subclause (1) of this regulation, in special circumstances payments may be in such other manner as the Director-General may determine.

(3) The payment for each school term shall be one-third of the annual amount of the bursary, less one two-hundredth of the annual amount for every school day on which the bursar is absent from school:

Provided that no account shall be taken of—

- (a) Absences by reason of sickness, constituting not more than 20 school days in 1 school term, if, on the advice of the principal of the school, the Director-General is satisfied as to the genuineness of the sickness;
- (b) Absences for any reason other than sickness, constituting not more than 5 school days in 1 school term, if, on the advice of the principal of the school, the Director-General regards the absences as being reasonable.

(4) Notwithstanding anything in subclause (3) of this regulation, in special circumstances the Director-General may authorise payment for absences beyond the limits specified.

**15. Cancellation of bursary by Director-General—**(1) The award of a bursary shall be cancelled by the Director-General if—

- (a) The bursar fails to attend school regularly; but if the Director-General is satisfied after inquiry that the failure is due to illness or other cause beyond the control of the bursar he may allow the bursary to continue subject to the abatements specified in subclause (3) of regulation 14 of these regulations; or
- (b) The bursar is expelled from the school; or
- (c) The bursar fails to maintain to the satisfaction of the Director-General a continuing level of satisfactory academic progress.

(2) If a pupil is suspended from school for misconduct but is permitted back into the school, no payment shall be made in respect of the period of suspension, but the bursary shall otherwise continue.

(3) A bursary awarded under these regulations may be cancelled or abated to any degree by the Director-General if he is satisfied that the circumstances of the pupil have altered so that the pupil no longer needs it or that he needs only a part of it to enable him to continue his selected course of instruction.

**16. Termination of bursary**—(1) The award of a bursary shall be terminated immediately—

- (a) The bursar transfers from the school shown in his application for the award of the bursary, to another school; or
  - (b) The bursar varies his course of instruction without permission from that which was notified to the Director-General on his application form; or
  - (c) The bursar ceases to be eligible for the award of the bursary by reason of—
    - (i) A change in the location of his home; or
    - (ii) The commencing of a course of instruction in the subjects selected by the bursar in a State secondary school not more than 4.8 kilometres from his home:
- (2) Notwithstanding anything in subclause (1) of this regulation,—
- (a) The termination of a bursary under paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of subclause (1) of this regulation shall not prevent the former bursar, if while attending school he is still eligible for the award of a bursary, from re-applying for the award of a bursary; and
  - (b) No bursary shall be terminated under subsection (c) of subclause (1) of this regulation—
    - (i) In the case of a pupil enrolled in a class up to and including Form IV until the end of the current school term; or
    - (ii) In the case of a pupil enrolled in Form V until the end of the current school year.

**17. Reporting changed circumstances**—(1) The headteacher or principal of any school at which a bursar is for the time being enrolled as a pupil shall report in writing to the Director-General any circumstances coming to his notice which render the bursar ineligible to hold the bursary, or would require the Director-General to cancel or abate payments under it.

(2) The parent or guardian of a bursar shall inform the controlling authority of the school attended by the bursar of any changed circumstances which would render the bursar ineligible to hold the bursary or to continue to receive payments at the same rate.

P. G. MILLEN,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.*

These regulations provide for the award of bursaries to enable pupils to attend State secondary schools or registered private secondary schools at which they may study subjects for the School Certificate Examination which are not taught at their nearest State secondary school. The bursaries are awarded by the Director-General of Education, having regard to the academic abilities of the applicants. The maximum number of bursaries to be awarded in any year is 400. The maximum annual value of a bursary is \$300. Bursaries may be held for a maximum period of 3 years.

To be eligible for a bursary an applicant must include among the subjects in which he desires instruction for the purposes of sitting the School Certificate Examination at least 3 of the following subjects: Maori, a language other than Maori or English, a second language other than Maori or English, science, or mathematics. He must be recommended by the headteacher of the primary school that he attends or last attended, or by the principal of the secondary school that he attends, as having sufficient ability to be able to complete his chosen course of study and pass the School Certificate Examination in at least any 3 subjects. He must be unable to obtain instruction for the purposes of his sitting the School Certificate Examination in one or more of the subjects in which he desires to sit the Examination at the nearest State secondary school which he could reasonably be expected to attend. He must require a course of instruction in at least 3 subjects for the Examination. Unless a bursary is awarded for daily travel purposes pursuant to regulation 7 of these regulations, his course of instruction must require him to live away from home, and his home must be more than 4.8 km from the nearest State secondary school at which he could obtain that instruction.

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