



## St Thomas Aquinas International Catholic Student Scholarship 2024

Aquinas College is pleased to offer a scholarship that will enable a Catholic student to experience one year of secondary education.

The successful student will have a life-changing experience in a faith-filled school where they are supported to develop holistically; spiritually as well as in their sporting, cultural and academic pursuits. They will be inspired to return home to develop the special character of their own school and share about their experiences of encountering Christ in a Catholic school in New Zealand.

### Scholarship Criteria

Preference will be given to an International student who is an active member of their own parish community, has a willingness to share their Catholic faith with others, displays leadership qualities, has a proven academic record and demonstrates resilience.

### Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Baptized, practising Catholic – a letter of endorsement required from parish priest
- Year 9 or above
- Currently enrolled at a secondary school in their home country
- Able to finance the other costs associated with spending a year in New Zealand. This includes (but is not limited to) homestay payments of \$300 per week, homestay placement fee, course fees, administration fees, insurance and pocket money
- Shows, through academic records, an aptitude for learning and a commitment to achieve
- Eligible for a Student Study Visa
- Demonstrates leadership and community involvement
- Willing to support the Special Catholic Character of Aquinas College, attend mass and take part in parish activities
- Must not have previously applied or attended Aquinas College

### Selection Process

Written applications together with supporting documentation must be received by Aquinas College. Selection will be done via interview with representatives from Aquinas College. The successful applicant will be notified in writing. The successful applicant will be required to present outcomes of their experiences at the end of their enrollment.

### Terms and Conditions

Aquinas College reserves the right not to offer this scholarship if no suitable candidate is identified. Student is subject to abide by all Policies that relate to International Students. The value of the scholarship is not refundable and is not transferable into cash.

For more information on how to apply, please contact Claire Bentley Director of International Students via e-mail: [cbentley@aquinas.school.nz](mailto:cbentley@aquinas.school.nz)

## APPLICATION FORM

Student Details (Name must be as it appears on your passport)	
Family name:	
First name:	Date of birth:
Preferred name:	<input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male
Email:	
Address: (In home country)	
Parish :	
First language:	Country of citizenship:
Passport number:	Expiry date:
Applying for year level: <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 <input type="checkbox"/> 11 <input type="checkbox"/> 12 <input type="checkbox"/> 13	

<p>Please describe yourself, outlining your attributes, character and strengths:</p>
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<p>Please describe the parish, school and community activities that you have been involved in over the last 2 years:</p>
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Please describe how you will support the Special Catholic Character of Aquinas College:

Please list any Leadership, Sporting, Cultural or Academic Awards that you have received:

Please outline why you should be awarded this Scholarship:

Check List:

Please check that you have attached the following documentation:

- Photocopy of passport
- Letter of Endorsement from Parish Priest including your involvement in parish activities
- Copy of any Leadership, Cultural, Academic or Sporting Awards
- Copy of last 2 years school reports

## SIGNING

### Parents/Legal Guardians

Name(s) : \_\_\_\_\_  
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Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Student

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_