



ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24



Watch as these amazing young scholars describe how their Public Education Foundation scholarship has helped them.



Public Education Foundation

The Public Education Foundation is a charity dedicated to providing life-changing scholarships to young people in public education, their teachers and principals.

The Foundation works in collaboration with schools, communities, unions, the private sector and the government to help students achieve their full potential at a public school, while enhancing the value and reputation of public school education.

To find out more about our work please visit our website:

publiceducationfoundation.org.au

In the spirit of reconciliation, the Public Education Foundation acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.



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PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Our Vision

Our vision is a nationwide commitment to the primacy of public education.

Our student scholarships address factors contributing to disadvantage:

- Students from low socio-economic backgrounds
- Students of Indigenous backgrounds
- Students from refugee backgrounds
- Students in rural and remote areas
- Students living with a disability

Our Values

The values that underpin the work of the Public Education Foundation, internally and externally, are:



Our Purpose

The Public Education Foundation is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to providing life-changing scholarships to young people in public education and enhancing the value and reputation of public schools across Australia.

The Foundation achieves this by pursuing the following goals:

- a) To provide scholarships for students and teachers in public schools
- b) To provide funding for enhanced educational opportunities, outside of the normal core provision of public education, for public education students, but especially for students with a particular education need
- c) To conduct educational programs and provide educational opportunities supplementary to the core services of public education for the benefit of students with a particular educational need and to fund programs of professional development for teachers
- d) To raise funds for the support of public educational programs additional to the core provision of public education through a range of activities that are authorised by the Public Education Foundation Board
- e) To undertake research in the field of education and publish results.



“

I will be able to participate in more activities and not rely on my family to pay for things as my brother's medical costs are high.”

Connected Communities
Scholarship recipient

REPORT from the Chair and Chief Executive Officer



It is our distinct pleasure to present the 2023-24 Annual Report of the Public Education Foundation.

The 2023-24 Annual Report reflects the hard work of the Public Education Foundation (PEF) team, and the support of our many valued stakeholders.

The PEF scholarships include scholarships for primary and secondary students, for students transitioning to public universities or TAFE, for students who have excelled in their final year of schooling, for refugee students experiencing financial hardship, for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, and for students with particular career goals. In addition, we offer scholarships to teachers to undertake professional development and to principals to undertake a short professional development education program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

In this last financial year, PEF received 818 scholarship applications from across Australia, which is a 53.7% increase on the number of applications received in the previous financial year. 395 new scholarships, including educators scholarships were awarded, of which 68.4% were to female recipients. In addition, PEF is very proud to have engaged with 188 schools across the nation. These scholarships provide an opportunity for the recipients to achieve their full potential.

These life changing scholarships have an incredible impact on the lives of students, teachers, and principals who receive them. They are only possible thanks to the generosity of our wonderful donors, supporters and partners. This last financial year we have seen an increase in the amount of money raised through fundraising. Our dedicated donors have been donating more, which has enabled us to offer more scholarships. The PEF appeals have raised more money than ever before.

During the 2023-24 financial year PEF hosted several events for our donors, volunteers, scholarship recipients and corporate partners. The **"Cheers to our Champions - A Night of Appreciation"** was held on 7 December 2023 and hosted by King and Wood Mallesons. It was the first time that PEF has held a "thank you" event for individual donors, volunteers, and mentors. The **"Changing Lives"** symposium co-branded with the Western Sydney Leadership Dialogue was held on 29 February 2024 and focussed on informing businesses from Greater Western Sydney (GWS) about the challenges many students in public schools in the GWS region face.

Our first **Victorian Proudly Public Annual Awards** night was held in Melbourne on 6 March and was sponsored by the Australian Education Union Victorian Branch. The **Capital Chemist Awards** were held on 21 March in Canberra. The **Lord Mayor's Reception** prior to the **Proudly Public Awards** held on 9 May acknowledged our corporate partners, heads of foundations and organisations.

Finally, we at PEF believe that all public schools across the nation should receive 100% of their School Resourcing Standard (SRS). This is an established benchmark that determines the total funding required to meet all students' educational needs.

On behalf of our scholarship recipients, the PEF Board and PEF team we extend our gratitude and thanks to all our donors, sponsors, and partners. We are so appreciative of our premium partners – the NSW Department of Education, NSW Teachers Federation, Teachers Health, and Teachers Mutual Bank – who have all increased their ongoing support of the Foundation.

David Hetherington
Chair

David Riordan
Chief Executive Officer

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS 2024

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION COUNCIL HIGH ACHIEVER SCHOLARSHIP

Acknowledging the highest achieving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student in a NSW public school in the 2023 HSC.

Leah-Cherie Holt
CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY
HIGH SCHOOL

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION COUNCIL PRIMARY SCHOLARSHIP

Support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in public primary schools in NSW.

Amelia Brincat
WOODPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL
Christopher-Jnr Graham
GWYNNEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

Supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled in NSW public schools to successfully complete their senior years of schooling.

Brandon Dempsey
MERRYLANDS HIGH SCHOOL
Jemima Kellett
CALLAGHAN COLLEGE – WARATAH
CAMPUS
Cooper Peters
GULARGAMBONE CENTRAL SCHOOL
Maddison White
JAMES FALLON HIGH SCHOOL

ACACIA PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance to high potential secondary school students attending public schools in specific regions across Australia.

Harleigh Carter
FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL
Abby Collihole
COOMEALLA HIGH SCHOOL
Dan Eldridge
FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL
Blaze Harrison
INVERELL HIGH SCHOOL

Lucinda Koros
MOUNT ROWAN SECONDARY
COLLEGE

Faith Nelson
EDEN MARINE HIGH SCHOOL

Charlee O'Malley
MOUNT CLEAR COLLEGE

Stephanie Woodhead
COOMEALLA HIGH SCHOOL

Noah Worrall
KOTARA HIGH SCHOOL

ACACIA PROGRAM TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance to high potential students for university studies in a public university across Australia.

Um Ali
LYNWOOD SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

AEU FEDERAL INDIGENOUS TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance for full-time university or TAFE studies for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students across Australia.

Sky Spicer
NEWSTEAD COLLEGE

AEU FEDERAL REFUGEE SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support for refugees in public secondary schools across Australia for their secondary education.

Rimas Aledilan
SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL
Day Day Day Day
TOWNSVILLE STATE HIGH SCHOOL
Nay Se Par
EAGLEHAWK SECONDARY COLLEGE
Abdulahadi Shaar
DICKSON COLLEGE



AEU FEDERAL REFUGEE TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance for full-time university or TAFE studies for a refugee student across Australia.

Anesa Safdari
LYNWOOD SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

AEU FEDERAL SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support and encouragement for public high school students across Australia supporting them for their secondary education.

Yousef Al Masri
MILLER TECHNOLOGY HIGH
SCHOOL

AEU SOUTH AUSTRALIA RURAL AND REMOTE INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIP

Supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled in a rural or remote public primary school to enable them to participate fully in their education.

Sapphire Hampson-Perkins
BERRI PRIMARY SCHOOL

AEU VICTORIAN SECONDARY INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIP

Supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in their senior years of education in public schools.

Harmony Baxter
CHAFFEY SECONDARY COLLEGE

AEU VICTORIAN SECONDARY REFUGEE SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support for refugee students in public high schools for their secondary education.

Eh Hser
EAGLEHAWK SECONDARY COLLEGE

AMAROO FOUNDATION VICTORIAN SCHOLARSHIP

Supporting primary school students to enable them to participate fully in their education.

Caleb Cheshire
ROSEHILL SECONDARY COLLEGE

ANDREW CASEY INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIP

Supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled in public schools to successfully complete their senior years of high school.

Zariah King

THE RIVERS SECONDARY COLLEGE –
RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS

Sara McDonald

THE RIVERS SECONDARY COLLEGE –
RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS

Lirra Peters-Dennis

WALGETT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
HIGH SCHOOL

Xavier Simenowicz

ELIZABETH MACARTHUR HIGH
SCHOOL

Erin Willis

THE RIVERS SECONDARY COLLEGE –
RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS

BARRY O'GRADY SCHOLARSHIP

Supports high potential high school students allowing them to fully participate in their studies.

Darvid Bogdanavic

MARSDEN HIGH SCHOOL

CAPITAL CHEMIST COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support to ACT students in their final year of school.

Sophie Alder

THE WODEN SCHOOL

Madeline

CANBERRA COLLEGE

Aaliah Battisson

NARRABUNDAH COLLEGE

Ryan Blizzard

THE WODEN SCHOOL

Marthinus Botha

BLACK MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

Mary Brennan

MELBA COPLAND SECONDARY
COLLEGE

Baby Buto

DICKSON COLLEGE

Hongkai Chen

NARRABUNDAH COLLEGE

Nakul Dinesh Babu

GUNGAHLIN COLLEGE

Nikhel Dinesh Babu

GUNGAHLIN COLLEGE

Ella Elwes

LAKE TUGGERANONG COLLEGE

Griffin Farrelley

THE WODEN SCHOOL

Bethany Fleck

HAWKER COLLEGE

Reo Golding

DICKSON COLLEGE

Julia Goncharova-Kolev

MELBA COPLAND SECONDARY
COLLEGE

Nathanael How

UCSSC LAKE GINNINDERRA

Musab Khan

HAWKER COLLEGE

Zoe Kong

GUNGAHLIN COLLEGE

Luke Kouparitsas

CANBERRA COLLEGE

James Lawrence

MELBA COPLAND SECONDARY
COLLEGE

Bethany Leatherland

LAKE TUGGERANONG COLLEGE

Eleanor Magee

UCSSC LAKE GINNINDERRA

Alexandra Nealand

ERINDALE COLLEGE

Scarlett Offer

HAWKER COLLEGE

Natasha Perkovic

LAKE TUGGERANONG COLLEGE

Jennifer Phoenix

BLACK MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

Liam Platt

ERINDALE COLLEGE

Sarrinah Rahman

BLACK MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

Amelia Tattam

UCSSC LAKE GINNINDERRA

Zoe Theodorakis

CANBERRA COLLEGE

Kayla Travers

ERINDALE COLLEGE

Iris Wang

DICKSON COLLEGE

Irene Yoo

NARRABUNDAH COLLEGE

CAPITAL CHEMIST REFUGEE SCHOLARSHIP

Provides funding for the final years of secondary education for ACT refugee students allowing them to participate fully in their senior high school studies.

Alessa Aljamal

DICKSON COLLEGE

CONNECTED COMMUNITIES SCHOLARSHIP

Supports high school students in NSW Connected Communities schools to assist with essential school/education expenses, particularly focusing on computers, sports and the creative and performing arts.

Skarlyte Bennett

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL

Taylah Berger

SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Cooper Berger

SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Kaliyah Brown

TAREE HIGH SCHOOL

Crystal Colbert

SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Zahlee Fernando

COONAMBLE HIGH SCHOOL

Shirleena Fernando Roberts

COONAMBLE HIGH SCHOOL

Stephanie Fleming

SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Kai Frost

COOMEALLA HIGH SCHOOL

Jer-Kyal Greenup-Smith

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL

Ebony Haywood

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL

Clare Hopkins

COONAMBLE HIGH SCHOOL

Charlotte Horseman

SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Miley Horton

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL

Katelyn Kelly

SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Jhardeah Lamb

TAREE HIGH SCHOOL

Alice McNee

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL

Riley Mitchell

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL

Noah Parrish

SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Indeeka Pinkard

SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Temia Robinson

COONAMBLE HIGH SCHOOL

Chace Senescal

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL

Kevin Smith

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL

Youen Walford

WALGETT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
HIGH SCHOOL

Lylah Weismantel

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL

Jarron Welsh

COONAMBLE HIGH SCHOOL

Paige Williams

SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

Jasmine Wills

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL

Brocke Wilson-Keanie

KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL





It will help me achieve my education goals towards becoming a nurse, without the worry or struggle for money.”

Capital Chemist College Scholarship recipient

CONSERVATORIUM HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Supports talented young musicians commencing study at the Conservatorium High School in NSW.

Stefan Kowalik
CONSERVATORIUM HIGH SCHOOL

DAVID S RATNER SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support and encouragement for eligible recipients enrolled in public primary and high schools in NSW.

Alexander Brunen
THE MEADOWS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Olivia Brunen
HILLS SPORT HIGH SCHOOL

Shalev Burla
KILLARA HIGH SCHOOL

Itamar Eddi
KARABAR HIGH SCHOOL

David Kotlyar
BELLEVUE HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Jade Lawrence
MATRAVILLE SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL

Benjamin Lawrence
MATRAVILLE SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL

Anael Mor
SOUTH SYDNEY HIGH SCHOOL

Itai Mor
SOUTH SYDNEY HIGH SCHOOL

Eyal Mor
SOUTH SYDNEY HIGH SCHOOL

Charles Squires
BONDI BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL

EMORGO SCHOLARSHIP FOR MUSIC

Supports a talented young musician commencing vocal or woodwind study at the Conservatorium High School in NSW.

Kita Munesane
CONSERVATORIUM HIGH SCHOOL

Dan-Que Nguyen
CONSERVATORIUM HIGH SCHOOL

FRIENDS OF ZAINAB SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP

Supports Year 11 and 12 refugee students across Australia through the critical years of their HSC or equivalent.

Haneen Abazid
BEVERLY HILLS GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Fatima Ahmadi
CRANBOURNE SECONDARY COLLEGE

Katrin Akhtiar
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Bailasan Al Abas
SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL

Bayan Al Nassar
SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL

Melak Alabdullah
LURNEA HIGH SCHOOL

Rama Alajia
MILLER TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Takla Alassaf
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Mireko Albertine
MURRAY HIGH SCHOOL

Khadidja Ali
TOWNSVILLE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Mahmood Alizada
CRANBOURNE SECONDARY COLLEGE

Waheda Alizada
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Sahar Alkhamees
LURNEA HIGH SCHOOL

Muqtada Al-Shammary
LALOR SECONDARY COLLEGE

Seems Gul Askari
BIRRONG GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Shamsia Barakzai
WAGGA WAGGA HIGH SCHOOL

Khan Mohammad Beyzan Neza
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Michael Dadoosh
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Nabina Dahal
SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL

Rithisa Dahal
SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL

Halima Ebrahimi
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Minatullah Farhan
WESTFIELDS SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL

Rida Fatima
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Sakina Habibi
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Rahanna Hamid
BEVERLY HILLS GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Masoumeh Hossein Zadeh
CALLAGHAN COLLEGE - WARATAH CAMPUS

Kira Inkova
ULLADULLA HIGH SCHOOL

Shokoofeh Ishaq
GREYSTANES HIGH SCHOOL

Nyinawabasita Jacques
KEIRA HIGH SCHOOL

Ghulam Abas Kazemi
MERRYLANDS HIGH SCHOOL

Yangchen Lhamo Gatsang
NBSC MACKELLAR GIRLS CAMPUS

Shukuru Lukozi
JAMES FALLON HIGH SCHOOL

Yasir Mahmood
BROWNS PLAINS STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Mary Makdesy Elias
BANKSTOWN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Arezo Mohammad Reza
YERONGA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Faiza Mohammadi
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Alice Mungele
LYNWOOD SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Sana Nasiri
CHESTER HILL HIGH SCHOOL

Parisa Nawroazi
SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL

Elahe Nazari
BIRRONG GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Wajida Noori
YERONGA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Aline Nyanshuti
JAMES FALLON HIGH SCHOOL

Pradip Panday
SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL

Moslim Khan Parsa
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Berivan Qari
MOUNT AUSTIN HIGH SCHOOL

Merci Rabani
JAMES FALLON HIGH SCHOOL

Negar Rezaei
CHAFFEY SECONDARY COLLEGE

Fatimah Rezai
MERRYLANDS HIGH SCHOOL

Fariza Salehi
CABRAMATTA HIGH SCHOOL

Antoun Saoud
DICKSON COLLEGE

Sedra Shaba
BOSSLEY PARK HIGH SCHOOL

Jolyana Shilaimon
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Sharifa Shujae
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Thikalnila Sivamohan
DANDENONG HIGH SCHOOL

Asif Tahir
YERONGA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Nori Yasmin
BEVERLY HILLS GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

FRIENDS OF ZAINAB TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance for full-time university or TAFE study for refugee students across Australia.

Monera Aelesha
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Maryam Akko
MILLER TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Leza Alzebaree
HUME CENTRAL SECONDARY COLLEGE

Sali Asho
HUME CENTRAL SECONDARY COLLEGE

Rajina Basnet
SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL

Saugat Bhattarai
JAMES FALLON HIGH SCHOOL

Basmala Elkady
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Razia Fazeli
BROWNS PLAINS STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Marzia Gholami
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Daud Haidari
CRANBOURNE SECONDARY COLLEGE

Fairooz Hasan
WAGGA WAGGA HIGH SCHOOL

Yasaman Hassanian
INDOOROPILLY STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Rahmatullah Hussaini
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Elvein Ibrahim
WAGGA WAGGA HIGH SCHOOL

Simeen Khan
SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL

Rand Margahi
MILLER TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Fatima Mohammadi
YERONGA STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Sacre Musabwa
WOODRIDGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Fadi Paulis
CABRAMATTA HIGH SCHOOL

Yasmeen Qurbani
ST MARYS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Samia Roshan
WAGGA WAGGA HIGH SCHOOL

Orlina Yalda
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

HELEN MACGREGOR NATIONAL TEACHING SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support for a student undertaking a Bachelor of Education degree and intending to return to teach in public schools.

Amali Reid
DON COLLEGE

LILLY MURPHY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Established in honour of Lilly Murphy, a Year 12 student who passed away in 2021. This scholarship supports public school students in Victoria, passionate about equity and social justice, through their senior studies.

Darcie Hessey
CHAFFEY SECONDARY COLLEGE

MANIFOLD ROAD CREATIVE SCHOLARSHIP

Supporting senior high school students enrolled in a school in Sydney's western suburbs who have an interest in graphic design, marketing or visual arts.

Maryana Abdo
MILLER TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Jessica Heng
GREYSTANES HIGH SCHOOL

Aurora Hitchon
JAMES MEEHAN HIGH SCHOOL

Sarah Jawdat
CASULA HIGH SCHOOL

Magy Mbotwa
CHESTER HILL HIGH SCHOOL

Oviya Pari
GREYSTANES HIGH SCHOOL

Shiara-Grace Smith
QUAKERS HILL HIGH SCHOOL

MRIN AND PRAKASH NAYAGAM VICTORIAN SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance to refugee and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in public high schools, who may not otherwise have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Bailey Lee-Hooper
UPPER YARRA SECONDARY SCHOOL
Issabelle Borthwick
MANOR LAKES P-12 COLLEGE

NATIONAL RURAL AND REMOTE TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance to high potential students from rural and remote regions as they transition into and progress through post-school education at a public university or TAFE.

Madison Brunton
MINLATON DISTRICT SCHOOL

Angus Byron
WARRACKNABEAL SECONDARY COLLEGE

Declan Eshman
COONABARABRAN HIGH SCHOOL

Alex Letts
COONABARABRAN HIGH SCHOOL

Greta Moore
HELLYER COLLEGE

Denise Sadiwa
PORT LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL

NATIONAL TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance to high potential students as they transition into and progress through post-school education at a public university or TAFE.

Nhi (Yen) Dang
BASS HIGH SCHOOL

Isabelle Standen
REDCLIFFE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Sapphire Truong
CANLEY VALE HIGH SCHOOL

Josephine Wiredu
MERRYLANDS HIGH SCHOOL

Aryan Zbik
REDCLIFFE STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Maylyn
CONSERVATORIUM HIGH SCHOOL

NSW COOKERY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Assisting students who intend to continue to university to study a Bachelor of Education majoring in food technology in NSW, ACT, Queensland or Victoria.

Chelsea Taber
LAMBTON HIGH SCHOOL

NSW NURSES AND MIDWIVES' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Providing support for refugee students to realise their career goals in studying for a nursing or midwifery degree.

Mojdeh Dabestanighamsari
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Zainab Hassani
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

Sughra Rajab Ali
BLACKTOWN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Salehah Walizadah
CHESTER HILL HIGH SCHOOL

NSW PRIMARY PRINCIPALS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Provides scholarships for primary-school aged students to enable them to fully participate in their education.

Aala Adi
DRUMMOND MEMORIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Leo Budd-Lund
CURRAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Kyan Lamb
TINONEE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Shaherazad Mhe
DRUMMOND MEMORIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL



“

The Public Education Foundation scholarship will help me secure some equipment to complete my education from home and at school as well.”

Friends of Zainab Scholarship recipient



NSW RETIRED TEACHERS SCHOLARSHIP

Supporting high school students to enable them to participate fully in their education.

Mia Sumerta
ELIZABETH MACARTHUR HIGH SCHOOL

NSW SECONDARY PRINCIPALS COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support for outstanding public school students in their final years of secondary education.

Mia Hellyer
NORTH LAKES HIGH SCHOOL
Ellie Vines
COOMEALLA HIGH SCHOOL

NSW TEACHERS FEDERATION AWARD FOR HSC EXCELLENCE

Recognises the achievements of students from public schools who have come first in their subject as part of their HSC.

Jack Bell
CHATSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
Imogen Browne
CASTLE HILL HIGH SCHOOL
Isaac Bust
MODEL FARMS HIGH SCHOOL
Orlando Douglas Giles
TURRAMURRA HIGH SCHOOL
Emily Fries
JAMES RUSE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL
Odin Hayes
LEUMEAH HIGH SCHOOL
Jordan Ho
NORTH SYDNEY BOYS HIGH SCHOOL
Kiana Levy
TURRAMURRA HIGH SCHOOL
Grace Losco
NEWTOWN HIGH SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS
Amberley Moffat
MEREWETHER HIGH SCHOOL

Annaliese Mustapic
KIRRAWEE HIGH SCHOOL
Olivia Natoli
WOOLLOOWARE HIGH SCHOOL
Jason Phan
JAMES RUSE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL
Christian Prince
MEREWETHER HIGH SCHOOL
Daisy Ryan
CHELTENHAM GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL
Tarun Saravanan
JAMES RUSE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL
Tanisha Shivnani
CHELTENHAM GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL
Mya Stanley
THE RIVERS SECONDARY COLLEGE – KADINA HIGH CAMPUS
Gemma Stevenson
NBSC MANLY CAMPUS
Zac Thompson
SMITH'S HILL HIGH SCHOOL
Stanley Wu
JAMES RUSE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL
Akshara Yadem
ST GEORGE GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

NSW TEACHERS FEDERATION PRIMARY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support and encouragement to primary school students to enable them to participate fully in their education.

Elijah Devos
CAMBRIDGE GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Bruce Hill
EGLINTON PUBLIC SCHOOL
Aaliyah Hinton
PRESTONS PUBLIC SCHOOL
Chloe Jeffs
GWYNNEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL
Sally Johnson
GRIFFITH EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL
Shalom Ropati
PRESTONS PUBLIC SCHOOL
Mia Thurtell
EUGOWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

NSW TEACHERS FEDERATION REFUGEE SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support for refugee students in public high schools.

Nazhan Mahmoud
CORRIMAL HIGH SCHOOL
Chance Ncuti mami
CALLAGHAN COLLEGE – WARATAH CAMPUS
Zahra Roshan
WAGGA WAGGA HIGH SCHOOL

NSW TEACHERS FEDERATION TAFE SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance for full-time TAFE study for refugee students.

Anmar Saka
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE

NURSES & MIDWIVES HEALTH SCHOLARSHIP (NSW)

Providing support for motivated students studying for a degree in nursing or midwifery.

Elizabeth King
OXLEY HIGH SCHOOL
Liam Miller
WELLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

NURSES AND MIDWIVES HEALTH NATIONAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Providing support for students across Australia intending to study nursing or midwifery through TAFE or a public university.

Gracie-Ann Buckley
ESPERANCE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



**PATRICIA LONG
CONSERVATORIUM HIGH
SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP**

Provides ongoing support to young musicians for the duration of their attendance at the Conservatorium High School in NSW.

Felix Chen
CONSERVATORIUM HIGH SCHOOL

**PEF NATIONAL SECONDARY
SCHOLARSHIP**

Supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, refugee students and students experiencing financial hardship in their senior years of education in a public school.

Sienna Caruana
ELIZABETH MACARTHUR HIGH
SCHOOL

Alex Krause
COBRAM SECONDARY COLLEGE

An Le
HOBART CITY HIGH SCHOOL – NEW
TOWN CAMPUS

Trang Nguyen
BUCKLEY PARK COLLEGE

Maryam Saiar
SUNNYBANK STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Alley Standing
WEST WALLSEND HIGH SCHOOL

Chanel Taylor
PALM BEACH CURRUMBIN STATE
HIGH SCHOOL

Alyssa Tran
THE MAC.ROBERTSON GIRLS' HIGH
SCHOOL

Aleah Turnbull
PALM BEACH CURRUMBIN STATE
HIGH SCHOOL

Channelle Uwayisabye
LYNWOOD SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Zarhn Webber
WEST WALLSEND HIGH SCHOOL

**PITCHER PARTNERS
SECONDARY
SCHOLARSHIP**

Provides support for students in their final year of secondary school who have an interest in chartered accountancy, economics, actuarial studies or other related fields.

Aidan Halley
CORRIMAL HIGH SCHOOL

Tenzin Yuedhang
NBSC MACKELLAR GIRLS CAMPUS

**PUBLIC EDUCATION
FOUNDATION
SECONDARY
SCHOLARSHIP**

Supports public high school students in NSW enabling them to participate in all aspects of their education.

Samatafi Alao
LIVERPOOL BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Yayden Campbell
MACLEAN HIGH SCHOOL

Poesia Ioane
MILLER TECHNOLOGY HIGH
SCHOOL

Alliera James
BALLINA COAST HIGH SCHOOL

**PUBLIC EDUCATION
FOUNDATION VICTORIAN
SCHOLARSHIP**

Supports public high school students in Victoria to allow them to participate in all aspects of their education.

Persia-Ray Maana-Collins
RUTHERGLEN HIGH SCHOOL

Beau Smith
CHAFFEY SECONDARY COLLEGE

**QUEENSLAND TEACHERS
UNION SECONDARY
SCHOLARSHIP**

Provides support and encouragement for students in public high schools.

Hamza Safdari
MARSDEN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

**RURAL AND REMOTE
INDIGENOUS PRIMARY
SCHOLARSHIP**

Provides support and encouragement to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled in public primary schools in rural or remote regions of Australia.

Ezrenaya Curtin
DAWUL REMOTE COMMUNITY
SCHOOL

“

The Public Education Foundation scholarship will help me to buy a computer to access at home, which means that I don't have to share my one with my siblings.”

Friends of Zainab Scholarship recipient



RURAL AND REMOTE INDIGENOUS SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support and encouragement to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled in public high schools in rural or remote regions of Australia.

Faith Seeby

CHAFFEY SECONDARY COLLEGE

Lakeisha Taylor

CLEVE AREA SCHOOL

TEACHERS HEALTH NSW RURAL AND REMOTE TEACHING SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support for a student from rural or remote regions undertaking a Bachelor of Education degree and intending to return to teach in public schools.

Makaela Carless

ARIAH PARK CENTRAL SCHOOL

UNA MAY SMITH SCHOLARSHIP

Supports Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled in NSW public schools to enable them to participate fully in their education.

Melliannah Clarke

TINONEE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Bonni Emerson

ULLADULLA HIGH SCHOOL

Marana Hampton-Anderson

NORTHLAKES HIGH SCHOOL

Jayla Ngatikaura

ELIZABETH MACARTHUR HIGH SCHOOL

Ryder Phillips

CURRAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

UNIONS NSW JEFF SHAW MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Supports outstanding public school students studying curriculum subjects such as economics, business studies, legal studies and modern history, with an interest in unionism and social justice.

Hadijah Aghaei Zanjani

GEORGES RIVER COLLEGE – OATLEY SENIOR CAMPUS

Maddy Almond

NAROOMA HIGH SCHOOL

Lilian Meli

FAIRFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

Izaiah Webber

WEST WALLSEND HIGH SCHOOL

VET IN SCHOOLS SCHOLARSHIP

Provides financial assistance to students across Australia pursuing vocational studies through their school, who may not otherwise be able to pursue their chosen career.

Brina Chong Nee

WHITEBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

Sophia Cornish

BORDERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Rihanna Hamdoush

BANKSTOWN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Jayda Hopkins

NEWSTEAD COLLEGE

Dale Sproule

JAMISON HIGH SCHOOL

Dar Ni Wah

EAGLEHAWK SECONDARY COLLEGE

Tyler Wiese

CHAFFEY SECONDARY COLLEGE



VORSAY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support and encouragement for NSW public primary school students entering Year 2 throughout their time at primary school.

Hailie Horrigan

MUDGE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Misty-bea Johnston

CURRAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Eli Newland

GLENDORE PUBLIC SCHOOL

WALTER AND ELIZA HALL TRUST OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support to assist students in ACT, NSW, QLD or VIC with a physical disability make the transition from high school to tertiary education to study for a degree.

Katie Boatwright

PICNIC POINT HIGH SCHOOL

Sarah Cuthbert

TULLAWONG STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Mollie Lovie

BRISBANE WATER SECONDARY COLLEGE

Sophie McCarthy

BELMONT HIGH SCHOOL

Kiara Risnes

LEUMEAH HIGH SCHOOL

WARATAH EDUCATION FOUNDATION PRIMARY SCHOLARSHIP

Supporting NSW primary school students to allow them to be involved in all aspects of their education and improve education outcomes.

Aidin Adi

DRUMMOND MEMORIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Ruby Bamford

LIGHTNING RIDGE CENTRAL SCHOOL

Jack Banger

CAMBRIDGE GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Sherrilyn Bennett

QUAMBONE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Brookelynn Bramwell

QUAAMA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Kingston Dylan

WOOLGOOLGA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Shanae Ford

CESSNOCK PUBLIC SCHOOL

Hajim Hajim

DRUMMOND MEMORIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Harmony Hennessy

GLENDORE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Amis Jaralla

DRUMMOND MEMORIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Lyric Jeffs

CANDELO PUBLIC SCHOOL

Aiden McMahon

EUGOWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Arkan Navkhosh

DRUMMOND MEMORIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Alan Shani Baqi

DRUMMOND MEMORIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Abbey Wright

KINGSWOOD PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL



“

Provide financial aid to support my studies towards my goal of becoming a scientist.”

HSC First in Course Scholarship recipient



WARATAH EDUCATION FOUNDATION SECONDARY TRANSITION SCHOLARSHIP

Supporting NSW secondary school students to encourage them to realise their academic potential.

Rylee Aspinall-Parkes
CRANEBROOK HIGH SCHOOL

Muhammad Yaseen Barakzai
WAGGA WAGGA HIGH SCHOOL

Alice Darby
CHIFLEY COLLEGE – DUNHEVED CAMPUS

Chloe Gibson
FORBES HIGH SCHOOL

Savannah Gordon
CALLAGHAN COLLEGE – WALLSEND CAMPUS

Summer Griffiths
CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL

Liam Hohora
WINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Sonny Holden
SOUTH GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL

Jemenai Howe
JAMES MEEHAN HIGH SCHOOL

Bella Jenkins
MOUNT AUSTIN HIGH SCHOOL

Tiamana Kaio
MERRYLANDS HIGH SCHOOL

Lima Karkhil Ahmadzai
STRATHFIELD SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

Brianna Khan-Speechly
CORRIMAL HIGH SCHOOL

Grace Manvell
BYRON BAY HIGH SCHOOL

Ivy Mason
CANOWINDRA HIGH SCHOOL

Ivy Menzies
MUDGE HIGH SCHOOL

Hannah Rask
CRANEBROOK HIGH SCHOOL

Aleeah Shelley
CHIFLEY COLLEGE – DUNHEVED CAMPUS

Myahope Tobin
CHIFLEY COLLEGE – DUNHEVED CAMPUS

Luke Turner
CANOWINDRA HIGH SCHOOL

WESTERN SYDNEY LEADERSHIP DIALOGUE SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP

Supports public school students attending a high school to complete their senior years of education.

Amy Hale
AMBARVALE HIGH SCHOOL

Suhayl Hunt
LIVERPOOL BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Nadeen Mohamad
BASS HIGH SCHOOL

Amina Rezaie
CHESTER HILL HIGH SCHOOL

Jayden Tran
GREYSTANES HIGH SCHOOL

Indianna Wilson
LEUMEAH HIGH SCHOOL

WOODCOCK FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

Provides support for secondary education to students attending schools in the Upper Hunter Valley of NSW.

Rachel Bock
SINGLETON HIGH SCHOOL

Blayne Chandler
SINGLETON HIGH SCHOOL

Kelly Dalton
SINGLETON HIGH SCHOOL

Indi Taylor
SINGLETON HIGH SCHOOL

Educator Scholarships

TEACHERS HEALTH EARLY CAREER SCHOLARSHIP

Supports public school teachers across Australia in the first three years of their teaching careers to undertake professional development.

George Allen
COBRAM SECONDARY COLLEGE

TEACHERS MUTUAL BANK VICTORIAN MID-CAREER SCHOLARSHIP

Supports a mid-career public school teacher to undertake professional development.

Katie O'Connell
ST ALBANS SECONDARY COLLEGE

TOYOTA COMMUNITY TRUST STEM TEACHERS SCHOLARSHIP

Provides professional development funding for public school teachers across Australia involved in all aspects of STEM teaching allowing them to continue to build their STEM knowledge.

Gayle Allison
NAROOMA HIGH SCHOOL

Tooba Awais
MOOROOLBARK COLLEGE

Timothy Bateup
ROMA STATE COLLEGE

Robert Berlin
ALLENDALE EAST AREA SCHOOL

Sharelle Brownbill
PARKWOOD GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Daniel Edwards
MONTELLO PRIMARY SCHOOL

Ehab Gerages
JAMES COOK BOYS' TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Richard Hall
NORTH ALBANY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

HARVARD CLUB OF AUSTRALIA PRINCIPALS SCHOLARSHIP

Provides principals of government schools an opportunity to undertake a short professional education program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Anne Davis
RIVERWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL

PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION PRINCIPALS SCHOLARSHIP

Provides principals of government schools an opportunity to undertake a short professional education program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Paul Roger
CORRIMAL HIGH SCHOOL

TEACHERS MUTUAL BANK PRINCIPALS SCHOLARSHIP

Provides principals of government schools an opportunity to undertake a short professional education program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Ann Turner-Calleri
EDGARS CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Public Education Foundation also supported 25 public school principals to attend the “Harvard Principals Program in Australia” in Sydney in January 2024.



LAPTOP RECIPIENTS 2024

LAPTOP RECIPIENT SCHOOLS

Due to the generosity of individual donors and corporations, PEF was able to offer laptops to students who had no, or limited access to technology. The laptops were offered to applicants who had not been awarded a scholarship as well as to students in schools in flood affected areas of NSW and QLD. Hundreds of students benefited across the following 63 schools:

ARTARMON PUBLIC SCHOOL
NSW
BALLINA COAST HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
BANDIANA PRIMARY SCHOOL
VIC
BANKSTOWN SENIOR COLLEGE
NSW
BASS HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
BERRI PRIMARY SCHOOL
SA
BEVERLY HILLS GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
BREMER STATE HIGH SCHOOL
QLD
BRONTE PUBLIC SCHOOL
NSW
BROWNS PLAINS STATE HIGH SCHOOL
QLD
BURRA COMMUNITY SCHOOL
SA
BYRON BAY HIGH SCHOOL
NSW

CABRAMATTA PUBLIC SCHOOL
NSW
CALLAGHAN COLLEGE – JESMOND SENIOR CAMPUS
NSW
CALLAGHAN COLLEGE WALLSEND CAMPUS
NSW
CALLAGHAN COLLEGE WARATAH CAMPUS
NSW
CANOWINDRA HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
CASULA HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
CHESTER HILL HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
CHIFLEY COLLEGE DUNHEVED CAMPUS
NSW
CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
COOMEALLA HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
CORRIMAL HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
CRANEBROOK HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
CURRAN PUBLIC SCHOOL
NSW
EAGLEHAWK SECONDARY COLLEGE
VIC
ENDEAVOUR SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
ESPERANCE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
WA
EUGOWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL
NSW

EXMOUTH DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL
WA
FORBES HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
GLENDORE PUBLIC SCHOOL
NSW
GWYNNEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL
NSW
HELLYER COLLEGE
TAS
HUME CENTRAL SECONDARY COLLEGE
VIC
JAMES MEEHAN HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
KELMSCOTT SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
WA
KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
LURNEA HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
MACKSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
MENAI HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
MERRYLANDS HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
MILLER TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
MOREE SECONDARY COLLEGE, CAROL AVENUE CAMPUS
NSW
MOUNT AUSTIN HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
MUDGE HIGH SCHOOL
NSW

NARRABUNDAH COLLEGE
ACT
NORTHLAKES HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
OXLEY HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
REDCLIFFE STATE HIGH SCHOOL
QLD
SALISBURY HIGH SCHOOL
SA
SHOALHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
SOUTH GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
STRATHFIELD SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
THE RIVERS SECONDARY COLLEGE – RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS
NSW
TINONEE PUBLIC SCHOOL
NSW
WAGGA WAGGA HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
WARIALDA HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
WEST ULVERSTONE PRIMARY SCHOOL
TAS
WEST WALLSEND HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
WESTPORT HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
WINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL
NSW
WOOLGOOLGA HIGH SCHOOL
NSW

This year PEF assisted 47 families to have free NBN access for 12 months.

WorkVentures
social inclusion through technology

MINISTER'S AND SECRETARY'S AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE 2023

The Public Education Foundation is proud to manage the Minister's and Secretary's Awards for Excellence on behalf of the NSW Department of Education. In 2023, an impressive 167 public school students, teachers, employees, parents and schools were awarded for their outstanding achievements.



MINISTER'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Recognising outstanding Year 12 students who have excelled in their secondary years across academic excellence, sports, cultural, community or leadership.

Dylan Adams
CARINGBAH HIGH SCHOOL

Khawlah Albaf
YOUNG HIGH SCHOOL

Prisha Aravindan
GIRRAWEE HIGH SCHOOL

Maisy Bell
NBSC MACKELLAR GIRLS CAMPUS

Samuel Bloomfield
MEREWETHER HIGH SCHOOL

Noah Brown
WARNERS BAY HIGH SCHOOL

Manhishta Bucktowar
PENRITH HIGH SCHOOL

Joshua Chan
NORTH SYDNEY BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Anneke Corry
NBSC MACKELLAR GIRLS CAMPUS

Marc Cotterill
TUGGERAH LAKES SECONDARY COLLEGE - THE ENTRANCE CAMPUS

C-K Crosbie
ST JOHNS PARK HIGH SCHOOL

Ashlee Dawson
WEST WALLSEND HIGH SCHOOL

Natalie Duong
FORT STREET HIGH SCHOOL

Declan Eshman
COONABARABRAN HIGH SCHOOL

Camilo Gonzalez Monardes
NARRANDERA HIGH SCHOOL

Charli Grant
BRISBANE WATER SECONDARY COLLEGE - WOY WOY CAMPUS

Samuel Griffin
BEGA HIGH SCHOOL

Michael Hawkins
NBSC MANLY CAMPUS

Jack Heslehurst
ENDEAVOUR SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL

Gabriel James
WAGGA WAGGA HIGH SCHOOL

Charlotte Jones
THE FOREST HIGH SCHOOL

Beatrice Jusuf
GIRRAWEE HIGH SCHOOL

Dakota Kellar Bridgart
WARNERS BAY HIGH SCHOOL

Harvey Lew
DENISON COLLEGE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION - BATHURST HIGH CAMPUS

Jovana Markelic
LAMBTON HIGH SCHOOL

Ava Meares
DENISON COLLEGE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION - BATHURST HIGH CAMPUS

Daniella Nagi
TUGGERAH LAKES SECONDARY COLLEGE - THE ENTRANCE CAMPUS

Sofia Nolan
STRATHFIELD GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Kiara Risnes
LEUMEAH HIGH SCHOOL

Ryan Robinson
LAMBTON HIGH SCHOOL

Shafin Salim
COONABARABRAN HIGH SCHOOL

Dev Shah
PENRITH HIGH SCHOOL

Crystal Ta
CANLEY VALE HIGH SCHOOL

Patrik Tavoularis
YANDELORA SCHOOL

Anita Thivakon
INVERELL HIGH SCHOOL

Clancy Tomlinson
COROWA HIGH SCHOOL

Eleanor Waters-Jones
WAGGA WAGGA HIGH SCHOOL

Josephine Wiredu
MERRYLANDS HIGH SCHOOL

Ryan Wood
WEST WALLSEND HIGH SCHOOL

Sindy Zhang
SYDNEY GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

MINISTER'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

Recognising teachers who deliver the highest quality education to their students and contribute to their professional communities.

Elizabeth Alexis
REVESBY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Matthew Barker
ASQUITH GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Grace Brand
KEMPS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

Renee Brazier
COBBITTY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Christie Carr
BERALA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Lien Chai
LANSVALE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Karen Christophers
LEUMEAH HIGH SCHOOL

Fiona Donnelly
GRANVILLE BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Bianca Edwards
CURRAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Liam Edwards
PRESTONS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Hannah Germantse
WAGGA WAGGA HIGH SCHOOL

Jaimie Goucher
WARILLA HIGH SCHOOL

Henry Huynh
ELIZABETH MACARTHUR HIGH SCHOOL

Lynne Johnston
BURRUMBUCK PUBLIC SCHOOL

Tiana Kane
PRESTONS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Veronica Luckman
WARILLA HIGH SCHOOL

Jodie Mason
PORTLAND CENTRAL SCHOOL

Sarah Minol
WYNDHAM COLLEGE

Bernadette Montgomery
NARELLAN VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Claire Mulligan
ELDERSLIE HIGH SCHOOL

Lisa-Josephine Parisi
PRAIRIEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Sarah Parkinson
BERALA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Amanda Pleash
HEATON PUBLIC SCHOOL

Kathryn Ross
GLEN INNES HIGH SCHOOL

Lily Schirru
NBSC FRESHWATER SENIOR CAMPUS

Nicholas Shirlaw
NORMANHURST BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Rebecca Smith
DENISON COLLEGE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION - BATHURST HIGH CAMPUS

Wafa Taoube
TEMPE HIGH SCHOOL

Jacqui Thompson
LEURA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Sarah Thorncraft
BATHURST WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

Zoe Tiernan
THE RIVERS SECONDARY COLLEGE - KADINA HIGH CAMPUS

Danielle Tully
YANDELORA SCHOOL

Alanna Vella
CAMBRIDGE GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Danni-Elle Wall
SHELL COVE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Andrew Westerhof
BRISBANE WATER SECONDARY COLLEGE - UMINA CAMPUS

Toni Williams
ULLADULLA HIGH SCHOOL

Tiffany Yeaman
ELDERSLIE PUBLIC SCHOOL



LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Murray Kitteringham

SECRETARY'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENT SERVICE

Recognising NSW Department of Education employees (teaching and school operations) who have shown outstanding effort in improving the quality of teaching, learning outcomes and/or school environments in the NSW public education sector.

Ken Barwick OAM

DENISON COLLEGE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION – BATHURST HIGH CAMPUS

Angela Brocklesby-Sattler
NASHDALE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Maree Burton
WATTLE GROVE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Rebecca Cooper
BRISBANE WATER SECONDARY COLLEGE – WOY WOY CAMPUS

Susan Craig
FAIRFIELD HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Dr Ken Edge
MILLER TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Bronwyn Jeffree
TARRAWANNA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Kevin Keeler
COONABARABRAN HIGH SCHOOL

Kim Latter
CAMBRIDGE GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Frances Lawson-Cohen
QUAKERS HILL HIGH SCHOOL

Patrick O'Keeffe
HAVENLEE SCHOOL

Tina Parasiris
REVESBY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Nikki Reedie
CAMDEN SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Sally Reid
EGUOWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Matthew Ryan
ORAN PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

Rhys Thomas
GRIFFITH EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

Rene'e Thompson
MANNERING PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

Mark Watson
ST IVES HIGH SCHOOL

Kathryn Yates
BROKEN HILL NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Shelley Young
ULLADULLA HIGH SCHOOL

SECRETARY'S AWARD FOR AN OUTSTANDING SCHOOL INITIATIVE

The award is presented to NSW public schools demonstrating – via a specific program, event or initiative – their commitment to teaching and learning outcomes, leadership, supporting the students and/or creating a sustainable learning environment.

Anson Street School
SKILLS HOUSE

Auburn North Public School
DEVELOPING THE MATHEMATICIAN PROJECT

Aurora College
VIRTUAL OPPORTUNITY CLASS

Blakebrook Public School
Broadwater Public School
Cabbage Tree Island Public School

Condong Public School
Crabbes Creek Public School
Empire Vale Public School
Lismore South Public School

Mullumbimby High School
Mullumbimby Public School
The Rivers Secondary College – Richmond River High Campus
Tumbulgum Public School
Wardell Public School
WELLBEING SUPPORT – FLOOD RECOVERY

Cabramatta High School
PARTNER A CLASS

Caringbah North Public School
LEADERSHIP PATHWAY

Cromehurst School
Willoughby Public School
INTEGRATION BUDDY PROGRAM

Elizabeth Macarthur High School
STUDENTS TRANSITIONING AND ACHIEVING RESULTS (S.T.A.R)

Granville Boys High School
ROBOTICS

James Cook Boys Technology High School
LEARNING THROUGH READING AND WRITING

Kotara School
QUALITY TEACHING ROUND SPECIAL EDUCATION

Leumeah High School
CIRCLE OF STRENGTH

Liverpool Boys High School
TAKE OVER TWO

Murrumbidgee Regional High School
NEW SOUTH WALES VIRTUAL STEM ACADEMY

Murwillumbah Public School
COMPREHENSION INITIATIVE

Rouse Hill High School
STUDENT LED ATTENDANCE MONITORING (SLAM)

St Marys North Public School
ACO FOUNDATIONS STRING PROGRAM

Sydney Secondary College
Sydney Secondary College – Balmain Campus
Sydney Secondary College – Blackwattle Bay Campus
Sydney Secondary College – Leichhardt Campus
T CENTRE PROGRAM

Whitebridge High School
VET STUDENT PATHWAYS FOR THE FUTURE

Windsor High School
IMPROVED ATTENDANCE INITIATIVE

Woodberry Public School
STRONG STARS PROGRAM

“

The Foundation [scholarship] will financially support me with resources that will help me achieve the best possible outcomes during my secondary school experience. My dream is to join the NSW police force and work with youth.”

Waratah Education Foundation Scholarship recipient

SECRETARY'S AWARD FOR SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT

This prestigious award recognises NSW public schools that have successfully created a sustainable learning environment through a whole-of-school project. Schools receiving this award must demonstrate significant improvement in learning outcomes and opportunities, excellence in student learning, maximising learning opportunities for all students as well as community leadership.

Auburn North Public School

ASSISTING ALL TEACHERS TO BECOME THEIR VERY BEST

Blayney Public School

PARENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Brisbane Water Secondary College – Woy Woy Campus

HSC GROWTH – SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT IN LEARNING

Cabramatta High School

LITERACY STRATEGY

Dapto Public School

SUSTAINED IMPROVEMENT IN WRITING

Endeavour Sports High School

HIGH EXPECTATIONS POLICY

Fairfield Heights Public School

REACHING GREATER HEIGHTS PROJECT

Fairfield West Public School

COLLECTIVE LEARNING PROJECT

Forbes Public School

FORBES PUBLIC SCHOOL HUB

Governor Philip King Public School

TRANSFORMING CURRICULUM FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Harrington Street Public School

UNLEASHING READING EXCELLENCE

Hunter River High School

IMPROVING HSC RESULTS

Marsden Road Public School

EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AND LEARNING

Miller Public School

THE MILLER MINDSET

Minchinbury Public School

ACHIEVEMENT IN NUMERACY

NBSC Mackellar Girls Campus

RESILIENCE IN OUR TEENS (RIOT)

Revesby Public School

RIVERS, WATERHOLES AND CAMPFIRES FOR LEARNING

Rooty Hill High School

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

Royal Prince Alfred Hospital School

QUALITY HOSPITAL TEACHING AND LEARNING

Sarah Redfern Public School

EXCELLENCE IN WELLBEING AND ENGAGEMENT

Wallerawang Public School

SUSTAINED GROWTH IN READING IMPROVEMENT

PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENT OF THE YEAR

The Public School Parent of the Year Award is a prestigious award presented to parents, guardians and caregivers who have made a significant contribution to their local NSW public school community.

Belinda Adams

CAMBRIDGE GARDENS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Rebecca Brown

NARADHAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

Kristie Carter-Smith

ELDERSLIE HIGH SCHOOL

Nicole Hilder

TERRIGAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

Su King

DELEGATE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Yvonne Liang

JAMES RUSE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL

Michelle Pearce

PICNIC POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL

Sean Richardson

PETERSHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL

Lucy Sarto

NORTH SYDNEY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Kate Simpson

TUGGERAWONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

Tam Vu

HARRINGTON STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL

Stuart Wilkinson

FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

“

Having both a physical disability, autism and ADHD, studying can be very difficult for me. This scholarship will allow me to overcome many of the obstacles that come from starting university by equipping me with the help I need to achieve my goals. I plan to use the scholarship for a new device to take notes in a more organised way, tutoring to gain a better grasp of what I am studying and items or services that will help me be as independent as possible in a wheelchair in a new environment.”

Walter and Eliza Hall Scholarship recipient



STORY OF A SCHOLAR

Rand of Miller Technology High School

*Recipient of the Friends of Zainab Secondary Scholarship (2022–23)
and Friends of Zainab Tertiary Scholarship (2024–25)*

LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND

The Public Education Foundation has supported Rand through her senior years of high school at Miller Technology High during 2022–2023.

THE CHALLENGE

To enable hidden inspirational students like Rand to complete her HSC and make entry to university a reality, and for her family to enjoy and take pride in her living her dreams.

THE OUTCOME

Rand successfully completed high school and is currently enrolled in a Bachelor of Design in Architecture Degree at the University of Technology Sydney.

MEET RAND

Having completed the first year of my architectural degree, I am extremely positive about how the direction of my studies have progressed. When I look back on my experience, I learned so much from when I first started my bachelor's degree. Deeper diving into sophisticated architectural technologies like Rhinoceros 3D (Rhino) has been a great achievement; it has equipped me with the means to turn my ideas into clear, compelling designs.

Beyond only technical skills, I have befriended inspiring people who have expanded my viewpoint on design. This encouraging community has let me investigate my architectural style more broadly and play with fresh ideas. Looking back, I am appreciative of both the artistic leaps I have achieved and the personal development; it excites me to keep expanding on this basis in the next few years.

Furthermore, as my second year of architecture draws near, I intend to assemble and arrange a digital portfolio including all of my first-year projects. This portfolio will document my developing design journey by showcasing my current skill set, perspectives and stylistic shifts. Additionally, I see it as a useful tool for presenting my work to potential employers, paving the path for future opportunities in the industry.

RAND'S NEXT STEPS

My long-term goal is to design environmentally friendly architecture that actively benefits the earth and the ecosystems in which we live. I aim to create spaces that honour and respect architecture's tangible and transient qualities while combining them to form seamless, immersive experiences. I am particularly drawn to bringing back the grand, majestic neoclassical aesthetics of 18th-century architecture, merging historical grandeur with forward-thinking sustainability. This direction feels like a natural path for me, balancing innovation with timeless beauty, and I am eager to see how these ideas will evolve in the next stages of my studies.

My dreams became real all thanks to the encouragement of my parents and the tremendous support from the Public Education Foundation. I will forever be grateful and appreciative of all the support I have received. It truly allowed me to transform and live my dreams.



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PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Financial Report 30 June 2024

The following financial information has been extracted from the 2023–24 Financial Report which can viewed on our website:

publiceducationfoundation.org.au

Public Education Foundation Ltd

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income | FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

		2024	2023
	Notes	\$	\$
Revenue and other income	2(a) & 2(b)	6,609,531	2,585,263
Gain/(Loss) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	3	489,006	93,151
Other income		-	13,182
Expenses			
Scholarship expenses	2(b)	(1,351,333)	(1,928,363)
Employee benefits expense		(779,522)	(570,630)
Auditors remuneration	4	(31,000)	(28,000)
Finance costs		(2,780)	(5,458)
Software expense		(47,393)	(48,182)
Other expenses		(202,608)	(169,442)
Surplus / (Loss) before income tax expense		4,683,901	(58,479)
Income tax expense	1(b)	-	-
Surplus / (Loss) after income tax expense for the year attributable to members of The Foundation		4,683,901	(58,479)
Other comprehensive income for the year		-	-
Total comprehensive income (Loss) for the year attributable to members of The Foundation		4,683,901	(58,479)

The above statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Public Education Foundation Ltd
Statement of financial position | AS AT 30 JUNE 2024

		2024	2023
	Notes	\$	\$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	342,117	216,703
Trade and other receivables	6	213,264	232,842
Inventories		-	-
Total current assets		555,381	449,545
Non-current assets			
Intangible assets	7	-	-
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8	8,631,650	4,001,837
Total non-current assets		8,631,650	4,001,837
Total assets		9,187,031	4,451,382
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	9	84,550	61,851
Employee benefits	10	82,207	75,031
Scholarship liabilities	11	465,937	455,090
Total current liabilities		632,694	591,972
Non-current liabilities			
Employee benefits	10	20,959	9,933
Total non-current liabilities		20,959	9,933
Total liabilities		653,653	601,905
Net assets		8,533,378	3,849,477
Equity			
Retained earnings	12	972,711	401,585
Scholarship reserve	12	7,560,667	3,447,892
Total equity		8,533,378	3,849,477

The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Public Education Foundation Ltd

Statement of changes in equity | FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Retained earnings	Scholarship reserve	Total equity
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 30 June 2022	328,587	3,579,369	3,907,956
Transfer from retained earnings to scholarship reserve for scholarship income received but unexpended during the year	131,477	(131,477)	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	(58,479)	-	(58,479)
Balance at 30 June 2023	401,585	3,447,892	3,849,477
Balance at 1 July 2023	401,585	3,447,892	3,849,477
Transfer from retained earnings to scholarship reserve for scholarship income received but unexpended during the year	(4,112,775)	4,112,775	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	4,683,901	-	4,683,901
Balance at 30 June 2024	972,711	7,560,667	8,533,378

The accompanying notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

Public Education Foundation Ltd

Statement of cash flows | FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities		
Receipts from donations and grants	6,844,448	2,410,238
Payments to suppliers and employees	(1,019,622)	(789,513)
Payments to scholarship recipients	(1,968,970)	(2,016,975)
Interest paid	(2,780)	(5,458)
Net cash flows from operating activities	3,853,076	(401,708)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Dividend, interest and distribution income received	121,358	197,505
Proceeds from sale of financial assets through profit or loss	351,000	1,391,739
Payments for financial assets through profit or loss	(4,200,020)	(1,824,741)
Net cash flows from investing activities	(3,727,662)	(235,497)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Net cash flows from financing activities	-	-
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	125,414	(637,205)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	216,703	853,908
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	342,117	216,703

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Unions Jeff Shaw Memorial Scholarship recipient

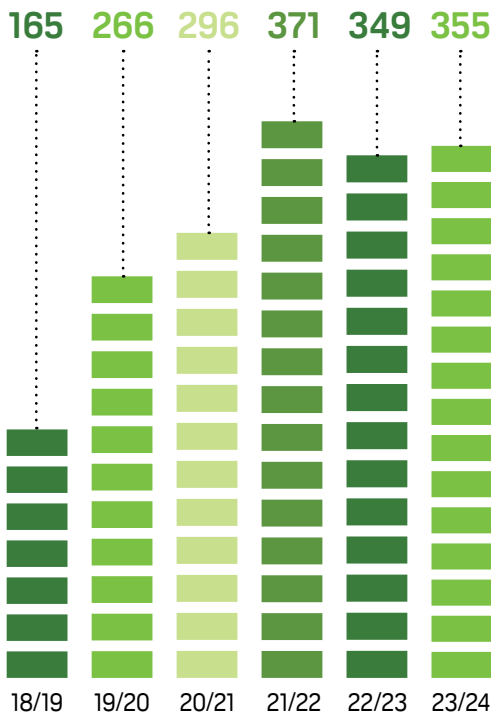


OUR IMPACT:
2009-2024

395 NEW
Scholarships awarded in 2023-24
(includes educators)*



TOTAL NEW
STUDENTS*



**excludes students directly funded
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3613

2009-2024 cumulative



3452
STUDENTS

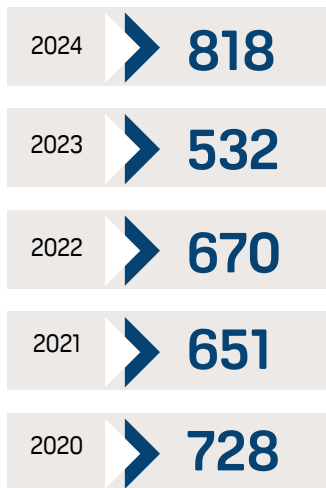


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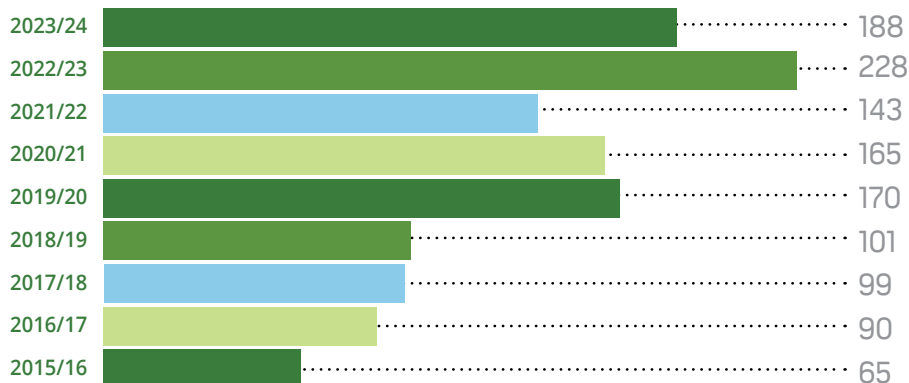
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SCHOOLS ENGAGED EACH YEAR

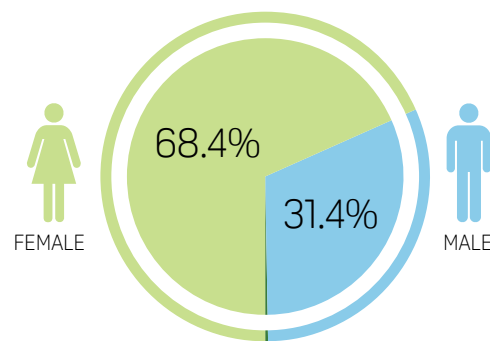


SCHOLARSHIPS FUNDING

\$ 1,351,333 2023-24

\$10,301,828 2009-2024
cumulative

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



720
**TOTAL SCHOOLS
ENGAGED
TO JUNE 2024**

OUR IMPACT: Continued

WHY

(Purpose)

We imagine a world where all Australian students can thrive equally.

HOW

(Intention)

Helping public school students and educators push beyond the limits and make a difference.

WHAT

(Opportunity)

We create change through creative investments in students and their communities, which ignites and enables Australia's potential.

BY THE NUMBERS

3,600+ student scholarships awarded

95% students confirmed their PEF scholarship amount made a difference

85% students agreed PEF scholarship assisted their academic results

160+ educator scholarships awarded

THE PEF STORY IN BRIEF

What started as a movement 15 years ago to ignite the education potential of public school students across Australia, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds, has endured from our inception to the current day.

We recognise students need many key ingredients in their lives to flourish. The importance of teachers, parents, carers and community makes our efforts multifaceted, and particularly guides our investment in funding both students and teachers and their collective success.

Our belief is that education is a great equaliser in an often unequal world, and a first class public education system is fundamental to civil society. In looking back over the last 15 years, and looking at what's ahead, we are guided by our twofold mission of not only investing in student and educator potential but also the promotion and advocacy of a high quality, widely respected public education system.

WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?

Poverty is often the result of a series of interconnected, systemic failures. This is why the Public Education Foundation invests and partners broadly across Australia so as to strengthen our community's foundations and the potential of Australian public school students.





In Australia, 1.2 million children and young people grow up in poverty with the impact of their economic status extending far beyond their home life and into the classroom. By the time disadvantaged students reach Year 12, a student from a low socio-economic background has a high school completion rate of 60%, versus a student from a high socio-economic background who will have a 90% school completion rate.

HOW DO WE ADDRESS THE ISSUE?

We have been actively surveying scholarship recipients since 2017 to establish how relevant our scholarship program continues to be and in what ways it is making a difference. Initial findings show that 88% of our students believe that their scholarship helped them achieve better academic results and 90% of our students agreed that their scholarship relieved financial stress that their family was experiencing.

Our offering to students includes laptops via WorkVentures, mentors, online tutoring via Studiosity, alumni access and a whole lot more. We explore any opportunities which we hear our students are interested in pursuing, and then seek to share these opportunities with as many students and educators as possible.

We're mindful, and have been since our inception, that we are unable to achieve our aspirations alone. That is why we continue to partner closely with several organisations who have a kindred spirit aligned with our own. We work closely with all of those who are steadfast in our knowledge of the long term benefits to Australia of investing in education and our young students.

WHAT IS THE ROAD AHEAD?

PEF is constantly considering its path ahead, and we are developing a new multi-year strategy in 2025 with the arrival of our new CEO. We believe that this will involve further expansion of our core business of scholarships, while exploring opportunities to support public education through advocacy, research and innovation. Expansion of our core business would mean continuing to grow the number of scholarships we offer. Our scholarships are of great value, and 96% of our students tell us that their scholarship was likely to make them study harder to achieve good results at school and 94% agreed that their scholarship gave them an increased sense of confidence and pride in their academic potential. Growth is part of the road ahead.

We are excited about the future of PEF, and we look forward to sharing more analyses regularly. If you have any specific information you would be interested in hearing about please let us know.



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Making a donation, no matter how small, can make a difference to one of our scholars. Help us give students in public education every opportunity. All donations of \$2 and above are tax-deductible for Australian residents. At PEF, we ensure that no more than 12% of your gift goes towards administrative expenses. This means that 88% of your donation goes directly to benefit a student.

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We Give Life-Changing Scholarships



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Public education is an important value of mine, and I am passionate about it. I'm a product of it, and my kids are too. Both they, and I, benefited from amazing and dedicated public school teachers, and I think they are one of the most under-appreciated members of our society.”

Anonymous Donor