

Doris Elizabeth Geraldine Swadling Scholarship 2026 Application Form

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Applicant Details

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Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible to apply, applicants must be:

- New Zealand born or naturalised citizens and be under 21 years of age (as at the closing date of applications being 30 October 2026).
- Permanently living within the region administered by the Taranaki Regional Council including New Plymouth, Hawera, Waitara, Stratford, Inglewood, Eltham, Ōpunake, Pātea - at the time of making the application.
- Intending to advance their education at an appropriate tertiary provider such as but not limited to a University, Polytechnic, or Training School (including cadetships) and desire ultimately to take up a career in the music or farming industry.
- Intending to complete a course of study for a minimum of one year (full-time) relating to the music or agriculture/farming industry either directly or indirectly.

Applications must be from individuals only and the scholarships will only be awarded to suitable applicants.

Scholarship Terms and Conditions

- The Committee's decision is final.
- Decisions regarding scholarships are made based on information provided in the application forms, supporting material and other enquiries.
- All scholarships are conditional on the applicant being enrolled at the named education provider in a course of study as outlined in the application.
- Scholarships may be approved subject to certain conditions. In such circumstances the funds will normally be held by Public Trust until the conditions have been met.

Important dates

- Applications are open from 9am on 1st of September 2026 and close at 5pm on 30th of October 2026.
- Applicants will be advised of the outcome by 31st of January 2027 (date is subject to change, of which applicants will be notified of).

Late applications will not be accepted.

Applicant *

Title	First Name	Last Name

Applicant Address *

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Suburb Town/
City Postcode

Must be a New Zealand postcode.

Applicant Phone Number *

Applicant Email *

Must be an email address.

Date of Birth *

Must be a date.

Birth Certificate or Passport

Please upload a copy of your Birth Certificate, Passport or Citizenship.

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Attach a file:

Supporting Documents

Please upload the following documents to support your application:

Essay - a 250 Word Essay on 'Why have you chosen the course of study you plan to start in 2027? What is your intended career? What you would like to achieve with your qualification and in your career.'

References - Please provide two written references (one from school Principal or Dean and one from another person) (NB: for Music Applicants the second reference would be from a music teacher etc.)

Cover Letter - including a brief description of your background, details of education, interests etc (1/2 to 1 full page long)

Essay *

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Reference (School) *

Attach a file:

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Reference (such as an employer, Music Teacher etc)

Attach a file:

Cover Letter *

Attach a file:

Parent(s)/Caregiver(s) Details

* indicates a required field

Parent/Caregiver 1 *

Title First Name Last Name

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Occupation: *

If self employed please elaborate on the type of self employment

Address: *

Address

Suburb Town/ City Postcode

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Must be Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, and Postcode are required..

Parent/Caregiver 2

Title First Name Last Name

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Must be a New Zealand postcode.

Number of siblings (including their ages)

Education and Academic Information

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Please provide a summary of your current or most recent academic results *

E.g. Recent NCEA results if applicable, any other achievements or awards

Please provide the name of your current or most recent education provider *

Year 13 Mid-year report

Attach a file:

What type of scholarship are you applying for? *

- ☐ Music
- ☐ Agriculture

Please provide an overview of any music or farming experience you have *

Please provide an overview of any completed qualifications you currently hold

Please provide a brief background of your history, in particular, giving details of why you qualify for this scholarship. *

Recognised education provider you propose to attend in 2027

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Please provide the name of the education institution you propose to attend. *

Length of course *

Please provide details of the course you wish to complete *

Financial Information

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Please outline any other financial assistance you have received or applied for to help cover your costs, such as grants or scholarships. If you have not applied for any yet - please type in 'None'. *

Parent / Caregiver Earnings (compulsory)

Please provide us information regarding your parent/caregiver sources of income and include confirmation documents. This includes tax credits, benefits and allowances. This information will be used for the sole purpose of assessing financial need and is kept confidential to the Committee and Public Trust as Trustee only. Please convert weekly, fortnightly or monthly income to annual amounts.

Main Income Earner Before Tax (annual) *

Must be a number.

Second Income Earner Before Tax (annual)

Must be a number.

Other Income (annual)

Must be a number.

Include Tax credits, benefits, allowances etc

Confirmation of Parent/Caregiver Income (Payslip, Salary confirmation or IRD Statement etc) *

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Financial details for next year (2027)

Your expected income and expenses (estimated is sufficient) for the course which is to be financed.

Income includes scholarships, Student Allowance, wages/salary and any other income.

PLEASE NOTE THIS SECTION IS COMPULSORY: if you do not have any amounts relative to each sub question - place 0 in the field

Bursaries and scholarships *

Must be a dollar amount.

Student Allowance *

Must be a dollar amount.

Employment income *

Must be a dollar amount.

Other Income (from Iwi, Family Trust or Parents) *

Must be a dollar amount.

Expenses

University/Course Fees *

Must be a dollar amount.

Accommodation Expenses *

Must be a dollar amount.

Living Expenses *

Must be a dollar amount.

Travel Expenses *

Must be a dollar amount.

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Books, Stationery, Expenses, etc *

Must be a dollar amount.

Please specify other income and or expenditure *

Declaration & Privacy Statement

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How did you hear about this scholarship?

Response required *

- ☐ I have applied to this scholarship before
- ☐ My school
- ☐ Word of mouth / recommendation
- ☐ Facebook
- ☐ Public Trust's grant website
- ☐ Search engine
- ☐ Other:

In submitting this application form I acknowledge I have read the eligibility criteria and accept any terms and conditions stated.

I agree that I will contact Public Trust Charities Team immediately if any information provided in this application changes or is incorrect.

For the purposes of the Privacy Act 2020:

- I acknowledge that the information contained in this application is stored in the SmartyGrants database and will be held by Public Trust as Trustee for the purpose of assessing my application to the Doris Elizabeth Geraldine Swadling Trust and/or any other conjoint Trust/s.

- I understand the information may be made available to other parties such as the Ministers in the Committee appointed by the terms of the Will or Independent Auditors in the course of enquiries regarding applications or in publishing the results of scholarships awarded and third party suppliers for related purposes.

- I acknowledge that if I do not provide all of the information requested, Public Trust as Trustee may not be able to assess my application.

- I give consent for Public Trust as Trustee to hold this information for no longer than is required in order to assess my application and to meet their legal requirements.

- I understand I have the right of access to, and correction of, the personal information held about me.

I have read and understood the Declaration and Privacy Statement *

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☐ Yes

Before submitting this application to Public Trust:

Please ensure you have:

Reviewed your application and ensure you have completed all the questions including the required documents.

If you do not provide all of the information requested this may affect the outcome of your application.

Full Name *

Date *

Must be a date.