## Yugunga-Nya Ron Shay Scholarship – 2026 Applications

### **Purpose**

The Yugunga-Nya Ron Shay Scholarship provides financial support to Yugunga-Nya High School, TAFE, and university students so that they can complete their studies, participate in sporting activities, and help with day-to-day living expenses while away from home to attend an educational institution.

In exceptional cases, if a Yugunga-Nya primary school child needs professional support associated with a confirmed disability and their school is unable to provide financial support to meet that requirement, an application to the Yugunga-Nya Ron Shay Scholarship will be accepted for consideration.

The annual scholarship fund is \$10,000. The amount of scholarship funds available to a successful applicant will depend on the number of applications received and approved. If surplus funds exist at the end of the 2026 academic year, they will be rolled over into the following year.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Applicants must be Aboriginal and be recognised as a Yugunga-Nya person
- Must be undertaking study in 2026 at either high school, TAFE or university
- Provide the completed supporting documentation so that the application can be assessed.

Conditions may be imposed on the award of any Ron Shay Scholarship and will depend on the assistance sought.

#### **Closing Date**

Applications close on Friday, 10 January 2026 and completed forms should be emailed to franklin.gaffney@pbcconsultancy.com.au

# Ron Shay Scholarship Application Form 2026

Please attach this cover sheet to your application.

Student details (please print) Full name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_Current academic year\_\_\_\_\_ Current school/Tafe/University \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/guardian details (please print) Parent/guardian 1 Full name Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_Date \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_Best contact number \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode Parent/guardian 2 Full name Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_ Address (if different from Parent 1) Postcode \_\_\_\_\_\_Best contact number \_\_\_\_\_ **Documentation to include:** Please x each box as your checklist: The completed application form; The completed background information sheet;  $\Box$ A copy of the applicant's enrolment in school, TAFE or university; A copy of the applicant's birth certificate; and A recent photo of the applicant.  $\Box$ 

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# **Background Information Sheet**

#### Part 1

To be completed by the applicant or if the applicant is under 16 years of age, the applicant's parentiguardian:						
Is the applicant a Yugunga-Nya person? □Yes □No						
Where does the applicant reside while at school/Tafe/university?  Is the applicant eligible for Abstudy/living away from home allowance?   Yes  No  Unsure  Have you or the applicant applied for other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander scholarships?  Yes  No						
						Has the applicant received any awards—school or sports—trophies or certificates? If so, what are they for?
						Part 2 To be completed by the applicant:
What are your favourite subjects? 123						
What is your least favourite subject?						
What are your interests or hobbies?						
Name a good leader						
Why is being a Yugnga-Nya person important to you?						

On the following page, in no more than 150 words, tell us why funds from the Yugunga-Nya Ron Shay Scholarship fund would assist you with your studies or sports and how much are you seeking?

# How would a Yugunga-Nya Ron Shay Scholarship assist me with my studies or sports, and how much would I need?