



Dear Parents/Guardians

### Scholarship Applications for 2021

Thank you for expressing an interest in St Mary's Anglican Girls' School. We have a proud tradition of providing a challenging, diverse and enjoyable education, which incorporates the pursuit of excellence and a love of learning in a beautiful, spacious environment.

Western Australia's independent girls' schools of distinction, St Mary's Anglican Girls' School, Penrhos College, Perth College, Presbyterian Ladies' College and St Hilda's Anglican School for Girls, have collaborated to refine processes for all 2021 applicants.

Academic Assessment Services has been engaged to administer the scholarship exam in 2020 for applicant placement in 2021. All testing will take place on the same day for academic, music, performing arts and/or boarding scholarships for Years 7 to 11 in 2021. Both prospective and current students of St Mary's are welcome to sit the exam. Please check our website for eligibility criteria and information about available scholarships in each year group.

It is important for parents to understand that scholarship applicants will be limited to two school preferences and that **students will sit the scholarship exam at the school nominated as their first preference**. This is critical to the program's overall success: that is, **to increase the likelihood of being offered a place at St Mary's, parents must list us as their first preference school and daughters will sit the exam on our campus**. For boarding or overseas families located 400km or more away, alternative arrangements may be organised with Academic Assessment Services.

Please note that the cost to sit the scholarship exam for 2021 is set at \$100 regardless of the number of scholarships applied for and registration closes on **Friday 17 April 2020** (during the school holiday period). Girls will sit the exam on **Tuesday 28 April 2020 at 10.30am** at the school they select as their first preference. We request students to arrive by 10.15am. Parents are invited to attend a short address by me and stay for morning tea. Students are expected to finish at approximately 2.30pm, and more information will be sent closer to the time.

Once the exam is complete, no contact of any form by co-operative schools will be entered into with applicants prior to **Monday 25 May 2020**. Interviews with prospective scholarship recipients will commence on **Tuesday 2 June 2020 and run through to Friday 12 June 2020**. We respectfully request that families not contact St Mary's or any other school outside the specified time frame. Further, it is important to note that each school budgets and plans the scholarship offerings very carefully and requests for higher scholarship amounts will not be considered.

Students who have been offered a scholarship must respond in writing to me no later than noon on **Friday 19 June 2020**. Second round offers may be made on **Monday 22 June 2020**.

For a comprehensive outline of these processes and the scholarships and bursaries available, please refer to our website <http://www.stmarys.wa.edu.au/scholarships>.

If you have any queries, please contact our Senior Administration Officer, Gaye Giglia, on 08 9341 9147.

Thank you for your interest in our Scholarship Program and for embracing our rigorous practice to ensure the best outcomes for all involved.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Judith Tudball  
**Principal**