



Dairy Farmers Co-Operative Dairy Trainee Scholarship Program 2008

Dairy Farmers Co-operative is offering Two Scholarships to dairy trainees studying their Certificate in Agriculture. This is part of the Dairy Farmers Co-Operative YOUNG FARMERS PROGRAM which aims to provide opportunities for young farmers to build confidence and capabilities so that they can contribute positively to the future of the dairy industry.

The Two Scholarships will initially be made available to new or existing trainees studying at Tocal College in the Certificate III course. Encouragement of continuation to Certificate IV, by way of Scholarship renewal, will be considered pending a review of student progress and sponsorship arrangements.

Granting of the Scholarship to a successful candidate will be upon recommendation of the College and will be based on information supplied in the Scholarship Application Form. Factors for consideration include personal and farming background, commitment to the dairy industry and economic need.

Scholarship Value

Each of the Dairy Farmers' Scholarships has a value of **\$1000** and will be paid directly to the recipient. The payments can be put towards the Student Administration Fee, course materials or used to further assist with travel or accommodation expenses above that provided for by Government allowances.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be enrolled in a Certificate in Agriculture course at Tocal College.
- Be employed as a trainee on a dairy enterprise.
- Be able to show long term commitment to the dairy industry.
- Be from within a Dairy Farmers supply region and ideally, associated with a Dairy Farmers shareholders farm. (They can be either a family member or a worker on the farm).

Conditions:

- Each Scholarship will be paid directly to the applicant in two half-yearly instalments.
- The initial payment will be made upon confirmation of the student's enrolment and attendance at the first block of scheduled training at the College.
- The maximum value of each individual Scholarship will be \$1000.
- A Scholarship will be forfeited if:
 - The recipient withdraws from studying at Tocal College
 - The recipient fails to maintain pass results
- Applications must be received in writing on the Scholarship Application Form.
- The Dairy Farmers Scholarships will be first offered in the New Year. They will remain open until two weeks before first term commences or until suitable applicants can be selected. Students enrolling mid-year after the Scholarships have closed will be eligible to re-apply at the beginning of the following year.

Applications

- Complete the Tocal College Dairy Traineeship, Scholarship Application Form.
- Application forms can be obtained by contacting Tocal College or a Dairy Farmers Farm Services Officer or through a link on the Tocal website.
- A common application form can be used to apply for either scholarship
- Applications are to be sent to:

Dairy Farmers Scholarship Application, C/o

Tocal College Traineeship Program
CB Alexander Campus, Tocal
Paterson NSW 2421