



Attachment 1.



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PRIORITY TWO: ENHANCEMENT, POLITICAL, SOCIAL CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT AND SPORTING 2026 FUNDING GUIDELINES

POLICY OVERVIEW

Education is fundamental to the health and well-being of our members. In view of this, the FNBGGGTB Education Policy seeks to enhance and support Aboriginal education through the promotion of excellence and engagement. Consequently, to improve the educational outcomes for its members FNBGGGTB Board has identified – *Enhancement, Political, Social and Cultural Engagement and Sporting* as a central plank in its foundation of programs being offered to its members.

FNBGGGTB recognises that promoting excellence and engagement in education, including extracurricular activities, as being fundamental to enriching and enhancing the educational experiences particularly as they relate to Political, Social and Cultural Engagement and Sporting Activities. In this regard, FNBGGGTB recognised that we have many upcoming social, political, cultural and sporting students amongst our membership. Priority Two is about supporting these emerging talents.

FUNDING AVAILABLE

- Thirty (30) grants of up to \$3,000 each student, per academic year, totalling \$90,000 dedicated to the Priority 2 Program.
- Monies provided under this program will be paid directly to the institution or organization administering the approved activity.
- No direct cash payments will be made.
- There are no reimbursements, payments are made directly through invoices upon application being approved.
- Once the activity/event has finished no payments will be made towards the activity/event. If another event is coming up, you will need to provide the document of the activity/event in order to keep further processing your application.

The following support may be applied to approved applicants:

- Coverage for **Compulsory Levy and Compulsory Uniforms only.**
- Up to **three hundred (\$300.00)** to purchase equipment from Rebel Sports (a valid quote or invoice must be provided)

TRAVEL SUPPORT (Flights & Accommodation)

If travel support is required:

- The applicant **must provide full event details and personal information**
- The FNBGGGTB team will arrange and confirm all bookings directly with the applicant
- Travel support will cover **one (1) parent/guardian and one (1) child only.**
- Flights and accommodation will be booked accordingly by the FNBGGGTB team.

MULTIPLE APPLICANTS

- If multiple applicants are attending the same event, arrangements will be made at the discretion of the FNBGGGTB team
- Each case will be assessed individually as part of the application process

CONDITIONS

- All support is subject to application review and approval
- Applicants must provide all requested documentation to be considered.
- FNBGGGTB reserves the right to determine the level and type of support provided.

ELIGIBILITY

These opportunities are open to applicants who meet all the following criteria:

- Aboriginal students/people from the four (4) FNBGGGTB groups: Bailai, Gurang, Gooreng Gooreng, and Taribelang Bunda
- Enrolled fulltime in a learning institution.
- Programs to be funded are to be at State or National levels.
- Provide supporting documentation from the educational institution or community organisation outlining the benefits of the study/activity to be undertaken
- Program that can be supported to allow young students to develop are included on the list below, but not limited to this list, and can include the following:
 - ~ Limited assistance to participants in events, such as national sporting events, dance and cultural development.
 - ~ Limited assistance to represent State or National activities – Spelling Bees, Debating Teams, Speaking Competitions.
 - ~ Participation in approved workshops to build and improve leadership capacity.
 - ~ Travel overseas for a program of study.
 - ~ Attendance at relevant conferences

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

The following documents must be submitted with the application:

- A written statement of approximately 200 words outlining:
 - ~ Why you are undertaking this activity
 - ~ How the scholarship could financially support and enhance your study or work.
- Evidence of your contributions to and/or leadership in community service.
- Academic transcript/school report.
- Two written references – once being from a recognised FNBGGGTB community member and one other (academic, religious, community engagement, professional, or personal)
- Document of the activity/event

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Applications are assessed on the strength of the following criteria, that the application:

- Is for extension activities, not offered in regular curriculum.
- Is for enhancement, political, social cultural engagement and sporting representation.
- Written submission is included and articulates excellence or leadership being pursued.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- All applications and supporting documents must be submitted 3-4 week prior to the activity/event (applications submitted 1-2 weeks prior **will not** be considered)
- FNBGGGTB recognises that opportunities for participation in such programs are ongoing, and applications can be submitted from May 2026.
- Applications **must** be submitted before COB Friday, 28 August 2026.

SELECTION PROCESS:

- The applications will be assessed by the Education Committee in consultation with the FNBGGGTB Executive and recommended to the FNBGGGTB Board
- Unsuccessful applicants will be formally advised by letter from FNBGGGTB.

DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

Payment Schedule of FNBGGGTB – 30 grants up to \$3, 000 each. Total = \$90,000

<p>Payment 1 Up to \$3,000</p>	<p>One off payment to approved institution or organisation</p>	<p>To be paid on receipt of signed FNBGGGTB Letter of Officer</p>
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EXPECTATIONS:

- As part of the awarding of the FNBGGGTB Bursaries, the recipients will be expected to consent to being part of the public positive promotion of their award. Consent Forms will be made available for this purpose
- Successful applicants must be willing to provide progress reports as well as photograph(s) for publication in the FNBGGGTB newsletter, and website, or may be asked to feature in an article on behalf of the FNBGGGTB to talk about the grant or scholarship, and the opportunity it has provided
- A signed formal letter of FNBGGGTB funding assistance acceptance must be provided