



# OPENING THE DOORS FOUNDATION

*Keeping Koorie Kids in an Education of their Choice*

## APPLICATION FOR EDUCATION ASSISTANCE 2012

OPENING DATE: Monday 17th October 2011 - CLOSING DATE: Friday 30th March 2012

Please Note: the Office will be unattended between Dec. 21st 2011 & Jan. 9th 2012

PLEASE NOTE: NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED AFTER 30th March 2012

# 2012

### SECTION 1

Name of Applicant (Student's name): ..... M / F (please circle) Date of Birth: .....

Name of Parent/s or Guardian/s: .....

Address of Parents: ..... Post Code .....

Tel: (H) ..... (W) ..... (Mob) ..... Email: .....

Name of School: .....

Address of School: ..... Post Code: .....

Telephone No of School: ..... Principal: .....

Contact Person at School: ..... Email: .....  
*(It may be necessary for us to contact this person re your application)*

Year/Grade that student is enrolled in 2012 .....

Name of School attended in 2011 .....

**REQUEST**

(eg. Camps, Books but not Stationery Items for secondary students, Uniforms, Special Tuition, Other).

**Please DETAIL the request and the amount – IN ORDER OF PRIORITY:**

1..... \$..... 3..... \$.....  
2..... \$..... 4..... \$.....

Total Amount Requested: \$ ..... How much (if any) can the family contribute: \$ .....

**COPIES OF CURRENT SCHOOL ACCOUNT OR INVOICE/S (NOT RECEIPT/S) MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION – APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE PROCESSED UNLESS AN ACCOUNT AND/OR INVOICE IS ATTACHED**

**THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED.**

Are you eligible for (Please circle):

Abstudy?	Yes	No
Youth Allowance?	Yes	No
Education Maintenance Allowance EMA?	Yes	No
Caregiver Reimbursement from Dept. of Human Services' (DHS) funding for children in "home-based" care?	Yes	No
Any other assistance?	Yes	No

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

Application Rec'd: ...../...../.....  
 Progress Report:  Yes  No  
 New - CoA:  Yes  No  
 Acc't Enclosed:  Yes  No  
 Photo Enclosed:  Yes  No  
 Consent Enclosed:  Yes  No  
 Parent Signature:  Yes  No  
 Application Number: #.....  
 Acknowledgement: ...../...../20.....  
 Further Info rec'd: ...../...../20.....  
 Amount Granted: \$ .....

*The Opening the Doors Foundation acknowledges the traditional owners of ancestral lands across Australia. Respecting Elders past and present and local Aboriginal Custodians.*

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## SECTION 2

### CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF EDUCATION ASSISTANCE - 2012

1. I/We agree that the assistance given to my child

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will be used for the reasons stated on the application form and for no other purpose.

2. I/We have read and understood the following conditions as set down by the Foundation:

- I have previously provided a Confirmation of Aboriginality.  
or
- (For new applicants only) I have attached a Confirmation of Aboriginality for my child named above.
- Only one application per child per year will be accepted.
- A limited amount of money is available for distribution, and each application will be assessed on merit.
- Current Invoices must be enclosed for requested assistance.
- The Full Application Form is signed and dated – please complete ALL questions.

3. I/We agree to complete the progress report in Section 3.  
**(To be eligible for further assistance all 4 questions must be completed.)**

4. I/We agree that inquiries may be made by the Opening the Doors Foundation in regard to this application.

**(Before Signing and sending this Application Form to the Opening the Doors Foundation please refer to the checklist on page 4 to ensure the Application is filled out correctly)**

Name of Parent/Guardian

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Signed: ..... Date: .....

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## SECTION 3

Please note: this section must be completed before application can be considered

### PROGRESS REPORT – 2011

*For Families/students who received support from the Foundation in 2011*

How did your child progress during 2011?  
(Please include your child's opinion too)

1. Best things to happen this year.....

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2. It would have been better if.....

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3. Will your child complete the 2011 School Year? (please tick)  Yes  No  
(If NO, please tell us why and is there any help we can offer?)

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4. Did your child have any particular problems in 2011? (please tick)  Yes  No  
(Please outline what help was received and what help was of the most benefit)

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**OPTIONAL - PLEASE send any good photos, media cuttings, stories, yarns or ANYTHING that you would like to share. PLEASE complete Consent & Release Form enclosed if you have not already done so.**

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## SECTION 4

### CHECKLIST TO BE COMPLETED

**YOUR APPLICATION FORM CANNOT BE ASSESSED UNLESS ALL THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BEFORE SENDING IN THE APPLICATION FORM**

**(New Applicants only)** Have you attached a copy of your child's Confirmation of Aboriginality?

Yes

Have you enclosed copy/ies of current school account/s or invoice/s that cover the amounts requested?

Yes

**The Foundation CANNOT refund receipts; it can only pay on account or invoice. Please remember we are not funding Stationery items for secondary students.**

Have you completed each section of the Application Form?

Yes

Have you read the Conditions of Acceptance? (Section 2)

Yes

Have you signed and dated the Application form at the bottom of Section 2?

Yes

#### IMPORTANT NOTE -

**ALL APPLICATIONS ARE ASSESSED ON MERIT  
NOT ON DATE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION.**

**ONLY ONE APPLICATION CAN BE ACCEPTED FOR A SCHOOL YEAR.**

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SECONDARY STUDENTS:

**Year 7 to Year 12 applications:** If your application includes requests for help with Books and or Uniforms, please send your application in to the Foundation as soon as you receive your Booklists and/or Uniform Lists. Make sure you only send us copies of the lists, and **lodge the originals at the school on the date they are due to be handed in.** We will process your applications and send payments within 14 days of their receipt in our office, to make sure you can get your books and uniforms before School starts.

**Please return form to:** Opening the Doors Foundation  
PO Box 1088  
Thornbury Vic 3071