

2011 NAB Schools First Student Awards Terms & Conditions

Who can apply?

1. Applications are open to all students in any registered school within Australia. A school refers to any primary or secondary school or combined P-12/K-12/R-12 school in the State, Catholic or Independent sectors and special schools.
2. Applications must be submitted by no more than two students in the school, with contact details provided for the student/s, the Principal of the school and a teacher.
3. Applications must contain an original idea for a school-community partnership. The idea must be student-led and it is expected that students will play a key role in the partnership's development and/or implementation.
4. School-community partnerships must include at least one 'non-school' or community partner. Applications will not be considered if there is no 'non-school' partner. For the purposes of 2011 NAB Schools First Awards, a community partner is defined as a group or organisation outside the school. It can be a business, a not-for-profit organisation or a community group. It does not include parent groups (who are considered to be part of the school), other schools or School Councils.
5. Children of ACER, FYA and NAB staff who are in any way connected with the management of the NAB Schools First program are excluded from applying for a Student Award.

How to apply?

6. Applications must be submitted online on the official NAB Schools First website.
7. Applications will be accepted from 9.00am (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on Monday, 9 May 2011 until 5.00pm (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on Friday, 27 May 2011 via the online application form.
8. Students have the right to withdraw their application at any time until the application closing time and date of 5.00pm (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on Friday 27 May 2011. Notification of withdrawal can be done via fax to ACER (03 9277 5500) or by email to apply@schoolsfirst.edu.au. It must be received before the closing date.
9. Applications for the Student Award will be judged based on the criteria, listed at Condition 9.

Student Award

10. Students wishing to apply for a Student Award will need to demonstrate that:
 - The need and the objectives of the partnership have been identified
 - The benefits and outcomes of the project are described
 - The student focused activities are explained
 - The steps undertaken in the planning are outlined.
11. NAB Schools First will award a maximum of five (5) Student Awards. Each Award will include:
 - An amount of \$2,000 for each school to enable students to develop the partnership
 - An introduction to a personal Community/Industry mentor who can help students develop their idea and skills (Each mentor will be matched with the student(s) who submitted the application).
 - A prize to be provided to each student who submits a winning application.
12. NAB Schools First will also help facilitate one or more mentor/s for the winning students from other Australian schools and/or businesses relevant to their proposed partnership. NAB Schools First will nominate and approach these mentors and help facilitate initial introductions between the mentor/s and the students/school. Maintenance of these relationships beyond initial meetings will be the responsibility of the students and the school.



Judging

13. The judging panel reserves the right to verify the content provided in any of the applications received
14. Members of the judging panel will maintain the confidentiality of the content of each application
15. All decisions by the judging panel and the NAB Schools First Board regarding eligibility and awards allocation are final and no correspondence will be entered into
16. NAB Schools First reserves the right to not award the full complement of awards in any one year if it is deemed that the criteria have not been fully met
17. Award winners will be announced publicly on Monday, 4 July 2011

Award Funding

18. Any monetary award received through the 2011 NAB Schools First student led Awards program is to be used to develop a new partnership that is designed to meet an identified need relating to student outcomes and/or promote good practice around school-community partnerships to benefit students. Award money is not to be used for any purpose that is not directly related to developing school-community partnerships.

Use of Image and Details

19. All applications become the property of the NAB Schools First Board and National Australia Bank (NAB) Limited upon submission and will not be returned. Application content, including names and contact details, will only be used for marketing, publicity or promotional purposes by the NAB Schools First Board, NAB or their nominated representatives after written permission has been sought and received from each individual, whose contact details are being published. Such usage may include the NAB Schools First website, participating in public relations opportunities and coverage in press, radio, television and online media.

20. In accepting these Terms and Conditions, representatives of the school (including teachers, students and parents) and partnership organisation(s) may be filmed and photographed, once all education authority protocols have been complied with (including parental permission in the case of students).

21. Winning schools may be required to participate in media interviews and other NAB Schools First Awards related promotional activities. Permission for the use of any quotes, images or case studies in which students are identifiable must have been gained from the relevant parties by the school prior to inclusion in an application.

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