



Country Education Foundation of Bendigo

Vocational Scholarship - Criteria for Selection 2026

The Country Education Foundation of Bendigo will award a scholarship to support a student taking a vocational course in a discipline that supports the agriculture industry. The scholarship will provide the successful student with funding valued at \$1,000 over a period of one year (subject to progress) to assist with their studies. The funding is to support study-related expenses including course costs, study materials and equipment, textbooks or tutoring.

The successful candidate will:

- Be aged 16-25 years
- Live in or attended school in the Bendigo region*
- Show sound academic achievement and community involvement
- Have applied for a Vocational course in the agriculture industry in 2026
- Understand agricultural industries in the region
- Have a career commitment that will ultimately benefit agriculture and/or regional and rural communities
- Be able to demonstrate commitment to achieving your goal
- Have a demonstrated need of assistance
- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident.

Selection process

Applications close on 31 October 2025

Applications will be shortlisted and interviewed

Reporting

The successful applicant will be required to provide six monthly reports on their progress. Subject to meeting reporting requirements, scholarship recipients will be paid on the basis of receipts for the purchase of appropriate items.

* Bendigo Region for the purpose of this scholarship includes schools in the municipalities of the City of Greater Bendigo and Shires of Loddon, Buloke, Campaspe, and Mt Alexander.