

ABERDEENSHIRE COUNCIL – ABERDEENSHIRE EDUCATIONAL TRUST

Information for Applicants

The trust has limited resources and in the interest of fairness, all applications received are means tested. If you wish to apply for an award, please complete the appropriate form which is available:

- on Aberdeenshire Council's website
- request a form by emailing asataet@aberdeenshire.gov.uk stating which Grant you wish to apply for
- from your local school

In order that we can assess your application, documentary evidence of your income is also required as follows

- If you/your partner is employed, you should provide two payslips if paid monthly or five if paid weekly.
- If self-employed we require a copy of your latest tax return or most up to date accounts
- If in receipt of any benefits you should provide a copy of your most up to date award letter
- A copy of your current Tax Credit Award letter
- current documentary evidence of any other income you/your partner may be receiving

Evidence can be uploaded while completing your online application, emailed to asataet@aberdeenshire.gov.uk or posted to Aberdeenshire Council, PO Box 18533, Inverurie AB51 5WX

Information on Aberdeenshire Educational Trust can be found on Aberdeenshire Council's website

ABERDEENSHIRE EDUCATIONAL TRUST SCHEME, 1955

Conditions of Award of Grants

1. Under the above-mentioned Scheme, the Sub-committee established to administer the Trust, has powers to grant awards for various purposes, details of which are given below.
2. Grants can normally be made only to persons belonging to the former county of Aberdeen, pending the final decision if they are:
 - (a) Resident in Aberdeen County, school pupils or students whose parents reside in the former Aberdeen County

Grants may also be made to:

- (a) Aberdeen County schools and further education centres and
- (b) Clubs and organisations operating for the benefit of persons belonging to the County of Aberdeen

In assessing any grant, the financial circumstances of an applicant and partner (if applicable) will be taken into account if the child/student is dependent on them otherwise the income of the student will be used. The latest accounts for club/organisation will be used to assess any application for a grant.

3. Details of purposes for which grants may be made available under the various sections of the Trust Scheme:

Section 20 – Post Graduate Scholarships – Scholarships may be awarded for research work or for advanced or special study to persons who are of high attainment and promise who have graduated at a University or have obtained an equivalent qualification. Each candidate shall submit for the approval of the Council, a programme of work or study to be undertaken by him. Scholarships are tenable for one year in the first place but may be renewed.

Section 21 – Supplementary Bursaries – In special circumstances e.g. where there would otherwise be hardship, bursaries may be awarded to supplement awards made by the Education Authority or Secretary of State to persons who are in attendance at University, Central Institution or college of Education. Such bursaries shall be awarded to persons whose record in any of the said establishments is such, that in the opinion of the Council, they would merit the award of a supplementary bursary. Bursaries are tenable for one year in the first place but may be renewed.

Section 22 – Assistance in obtaining practical experience of trades etc – Persons serving apprenticeships or undergoing courses of technical

instruction or gaining practical experience of any profession, trade or occupation may apply for grants towards the cost of daily travel and/or cost of fees, books, instruments, tools, kit or personal equipment.

Section 23 – Grants for Student Apprentices – Grants may be made to persons serving an apprenticeship for a profession which involves attendance at a University or Central Institution.

Section 24 – Travel Grants – Grants may be made to individuals to enable them to travel in Great Britain or abroad for any purpose deemed to be of an educational nature. Grants may also be made to primary school pupils to enable them to take part in organised visits and excursions of an educational nature.

Section 25 – Further Education – Grants may be made

- (1) To encourage the development of further Education by assisting to promote and defray the expenses of activities not normally assisted or provided by the Education Authority and
- (2) To assist persons to attend any institution or organised course of further education.

Under (2) above, awards can be made in respect of further education courses not normally recognised for further education bursaries and in other special circumstances.

Section 26 – Special Grants – Grants under this section can be made to persons of 21 years of age or over who wish to qualify to enter or have delayed their entry to University, Central Institution or College of Education. Applicants would, in general, be expected to apply in the first place to the Education Authority or Student Awards Agency for Scotland for a student's allowance.

Section 27 – Sports Facilities – Grants may be made to assist in providing and maintaining playing fields and other sports facilities including equipment as the Education Authority think fit.

Section 28 – Special Equipment – Grants may be made to schools and further education centres in the former Aberdeen County to assist in providing special equipment.

Section 29 – Support of Clubs – Grants may be made to clubs, societies and organisations in the former Aberdeen County which include amongst their activities work of an educational nature.

Section 30 and 31 – Educational Excursions and Educational Travel – Grants may be made to secondary school pupils and young persons attending further

education centres in the former Aberdeen County to enable them to take part in organised visits and excursions of an educational nature.

Section 32, 33 and 34 – Promoting Education in Art, Music and Drama –

Under these sections' grants may be made in a variety of ways to assist the promotion of education in Art, Music and Drama through the former Aberdeen County schools and organisations. In special circumstances, grants may also be made to individuals studying these subjects.

Section 35 – Educational Experiments and Research and Educational Enterprise – Under this section, grants may be made:

- (1) To assist bodies and individuals to undertake educational experiments and research which will be for the educational benefit of persons belonging to the former Aberdeen County and
- (2) To assist local and national enterprises of an educational nature. Applications providing full details of the work to be undertaken and probable cost should be made to the Trust Section before work commences.