Through its Young Achiever Scheme (YAS), Wodonga Council recognises and supports young people (24 years and under) who display an outstanding commitment to and/or achievement in their chosen endeavour.

The scheme provides financial assistance to young people to participate, develop skills, compete, perform or represent Wodonga in their chosen endeavour at a state, national or international level. Individuals or groups are eligible to apply.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be 24 years of age or under at the conclusion of the activity;
- Be representing Wodonga;
- Be participating, developing skills, competing, performing or representing their chosen endeavour at a state, national or international level;
- Be able to provide the council with proof of participation at a state, national or international level; and
- Must not be paid for their performance or participation.
FINANCIAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE

If you wish to apply, you will need to fill out the Young Achiever Scheme (YAS) application form at wodonga.vic.gov.au/yas. For more information please phone the youth services officer on (02) 6022 9300 or email youth@wodonga.vic.gov.au

THE FOLLOWING ARE INELIGIBLE:

- Applications for team officials, organisers or coaches;
- Applicants who receive individual commercial sponsorship of $1000 or more;
- Applications from schools and tertiary institutions;
- Activities that promote alcohol, gambling and smoking; and
- Activities that encourage an unhealthy portrayal of body image.

CONDITIONS OF FUNDING

Applications will be accepted throughout the year;

- Applications must be made on the official application form;
- Applications must be lodged three weeks prior to attending the activity;
- Applications must include proof of participation in the activity;
- If an activity is cancelled or an applicant is unable to attend, funding must be returned to the council; and
- Successful applicants will be formally recognised at a public council meeting and are expected to provide information for a media release.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Individual:

- $200 – state level;
- $400 – national level; or
- $600 – international level.

GROUPS

If three or more applications are received from individuals to attend the same activity, the financial assistance will be allocated to the group NOT individuals.

- $400 – state level;
- $600 – national level; or
- $800 – international level.

Applicants are ineligible if they have received support from the scheme in the same category/same level in the previous 18 months. Financial assistance will be awarded until the annual YAS budget is expended.

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