Father Barrett Memorial Scholarship/Grant for Undergraduate Studies 2007-2008

1. The Wah Yan Post Secondary Education Trust Fund is offering a maximum of TWO scholarships and a number of grants named the 'Father Barrett Memorial Scholarship /Grant' to finance outstanding students from WAH YAN COLLEGE HONG KONG and WAH YAN COLLEGE KOWLOON for further studies in H.K. or overseas commencing 2007-08 academic year.

2. Successful candidates will be those with excellent scholastic achievements and strong leadership abilities demonstrated in their extra-curricular activities. The financial needs of the candidates applying for grants will also be considered. They are expected to have a strong sense of commitment to Hong Kong and to Wah Yan and should be ready to contribute to the local community upon the completion of their academic programs.

3. Students eligible to apply are those from Wah Yan College, Hong Kong or Kowloon who will commence undergraduate studies in any tertiary institution in Hong Kong or overseas in the 2007-2008 academic year and who meet the criteria set out below. Application for a study program leading to a second degree or a study program being currently pursued WILL NOT be considered.

4. Further details of the scholarships/grants are as follows:

   Name of Award: “Wah Yan Post Secondary Education Trust Fund - Fr. Barrett Memorial Scholarship/Grant for Undergraduate Studies”. The scholarship recipient will be called “Wah Yan Scholar (in commemoration of Fr. Barrett)”

   Duration of Award: Generally up to 3 years depending on the length of the proposed course of study and renewable annually in the light of academic progress and other performance deemed satisfactory by the Trustees. We may consider extending the award of scholarships/grants to cover the following: (i) the exchange programme for local students to go abroad for a year as part of their education programme; (ii) double degrees, provided that the study programme leading to such degrees is pursued concurrently.

   Value of Award: The upper limit of the SCHOLARSHIP will be $200,000 a year for studies abroad and $80,000 a year for studies locally. The maximum number of scholarship awarded would be limited to 2. If there are no suitable candidates, awards will not be offered this year. The upper limit of the GRANT will be $100,000 a year for studies abroad and $50,000 a year for studies locally. There will be no limit to the number of grants, depending on the decisions of the Board of Trustees.

   Conditions of Award: Successful candidates for the scholarships/grants will be required to comply with the conditions of awards should they decide to accept any award made under this scheme. In particular, these candidates must return to work in Hong Kong or other areas in China, or obtain employment with an entity or organization in Hong Kong, for a minimum of 36 consecutive months immediately on completion of their study programme. Permission for a delayed return to Hong Kong to fulfil the employment condition or for waiver of such employment condition may be sought from the Board of Trustees, who will consider the merits of the candidate’s case. If the candidate fails to get such permission or to comply with the employment condition, he will be required to repay such sum, not exceeding the total value of the award so received, and upon such terms as the Board of Trustees deems appropriate.
Eligibility:
Applicants for the scholarship (or grants) must fulfill the following criteria:

(i) They must be permanent residents of Hong Kong.

(ii) They will have, at the end of July 2007, received at least 3 years of continuous education in Wah Yan College, Hong Kong and/ or Wah Yan College Kowloon.

(iii) They should have a minimum of 5 distinctions in the HKCEE and grade B or above in English and Chinese (a minimum of 18 points in the best 6 subjects in the HKCEE and grade C or above in English and Chinese for application for grants).
Applicants should have strong leadership abilities demonstrated in their extra-curricular activities. They should also show a good record of service to the school and / or the community.

(iv) They should fulfill all application procedures and admission requirements at the institution of their choice and be offered a place subsequently.

(v) Applicants are allowed to apply only once, may it be in Form 6 or Form 7. They are only allowed to apply for a second time under very special circumstances, such as when the applicant has to take the HKCEE again, or there are drastic changes in his family, or where he has gained acceptance to a new university.

Application:
Application forms will be available from 26th February, 2007. Apply in writing to: The Principal,
Wah Yan College, Hong Kong
281 Queen's Road East,
Wanchai, Hong Kong.

In addition, application forms will be handed out to the current F.6 and F.7 students of both Wah Yan Colleges on 26th February 2007. All applications should reach the Principal of Wah Yan College, Hong Kong at the above address on or before 31st March 2007. Late applications will not be considered.

Selection Procedure:
Suitable applicants will be invited to attend the selection interview scheduled in late April / early May, 2007. Any applicant who has not received an invitation to attend an interview by 18th April 2007 may assume that the application has been unsuccessful. The decisions of the Trustees are final. In no circumstances will the Trustees be required to explain why any application has not been successful.

Enquiries:
For enquiries please telephone the Principal/Assistant Principal of Wah Yan College, Hong Kong at 25722251.

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Notes on completion of application form

1. Answers to the questions must be typewritten or written legibly in black ball-pen or black ink.

2. **ALL** parts of this application form must be completed. Where a request for information is not applicable to the circumstances of the applicant, put "N/A" in the blank. Where the answer to a request for information is negative, write "No" in the blank.

3. Completed application forms must be returned to the Principal, Wah Yan College, Hong Kong, 281 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, together with the following documents:-
   
i. A statement of not less than 800 words in your own handwriting on the reasons for choosing your preferred area of study and why you consider yourself a suitable candidate for the scholarship (or grant).
   
ii. Recommendation from 2 referees.
   
iii. Copies of your Diploma / public examination results.
   
iv. Copies of your college / school records (Form 1 to Form 7, if available)
   
v. A copy of your birth certificate or evidence of place and date of birth.
   
vi. A copy of your Hong Kong Identity Card.
   
vii. A copy of acceptance letter of university (if available)
   
viii. A copy of prospectus and student handbook of university relating to the course to be taken, tuition fees and other expenses. (if available).
   
ix. Copies of tax returns of family members, employer's letters, and other documents relevant to the income and assets of the family.
   
x. One recent passport-size photograph which should be affixed securely to this form in the space provided.

4. Deadline for application is **31st March 2007**
   Late application will not be accepted.

5. Papers and documents submitted with your application form will not be returned.

6. Undocumented or incomplete applications will not be considered.

7. The application summary sheet attached to the application form should also be completed as part of your application.

8. The award of a scholarship or a grant is conditional upon the candidate being accepted and taking up a course at a university approved of in advance by the Board of Trustees.