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Book Grant Allocation for Needy Students

The Board of Management of Seamount College will operate a scheme to aid eligible pupils from the Book Grant for Needy Students.

A needy pupil is defined as a pupil from a family where there is genuine hardship. Such families may be grouped into the following three categories:

- Families who are **mainly dependent on social welfare** payments
- Families on **low incomes from employment** – may be in receipt of the Family Income Supplement, or may be beneficiaries under the Back-to-School Clothing and Footwear Scheme.
- Families who are experiencing **financial hardship because of particular circumstances** in the home.

Ineligible Students:

- Pupils who are in the care of foster families under arrangements made by the relevant Health Board are ineligible. Support for such pupils is a matter for the Health Board.
- A pupil who transfers from one second-level school to another after the commencement of the school year is ineligible in the second school unless the Principal is satisfied that assistance was not already given under this scheme or that any books already supplied in the current school year have been returned.

Application Process:

1. An Application must be made on the attached form and sent to the Principal.
2. An amount of up to €150 will be allocated to an individual student, up to €300 for 2 children, and up to €350 per family.
3. An interview will be set up with the Parents/Guardians and the Principal/Deputy Principal.
4. The application will be considered anonymously with a nominated member of the Board of Management and a decision will be made.
5. The Parents/Guardians will be informed of the decision in writing.
6. Payment will be made upon the submission of the receipt of the purchased books or arrangements will be made with a book shop to purchase books.
7. The use of second-hand books is encouraged for all students.



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Application Form

I/We wish to make an application for assistance under the Book Grant Scheme.

Parents' / Guardians' Name(s) _____

Address _____

Son's / Daughter's Name(s)

_____ Class/Year
_____ Class/Year
_____ Class/Year

Signed _____

Please return this form to the Principal by _____.

FOR OFFICE USE:

Date application received: _____

Date of interview: _____

Date and Outcome of Board Decision: _____

Right to Appeal: Parents unhappy with the decision may write to the Board of Management