

Show Society Education Foundation Royal Adelaide Show

Schools' Merino Wethers Competition

Schools' scholarship opportunity

The Schools' Merino Wethers Competition is an event encouraging young people to become familiar with, and possibly pursue a career within the Merino industry. It provides opportunity for students to have contact with many aspects of the Merino sheep industry from stud and commercial breeders, stock agents, wool buyers through to processors. It aims to practically educate and engage students on the commercial production of Merino sheep by giving them a memorable hands-on experience, covering a broad scope of sheep and wool production skills.

A copy of the competition handbook can be downloaded at **merinosa.com.au** Questions can be directed to the Merino SA office: 08 8212 4157

A \$2000, once off scholarship is on offer to a rural/remote school with or without an agricultural teacher who currently has a financial barrier to participating in the competition. This once-off scholarship is to get started in the competition; the idea being that sales from fleece and carcass will support future competitions and thus increase the learning opportunities for students.

Applications for the schools; scholarship must be received by 5:00pm Friday 16th February 2018

Applications and their supporting material must be returned by one of the following methods:

By email:

foundations@adelaideshowground.com.au

By post:

Show Society Education Foundation RA&HS PO Box 108 Goodwood SA 5034

Queries regarding the competition to: Merino SA, info@merinosa.com.au

Queries regarding the scholarship to: Julie Quimby, Show Society Education Foundation, 08 8210 5211



APPLICANTION: Scholarship for Schools' Merino Wethers Competition

To assist and entice more schools to participate in the Schools' Merino Wethers Competition, a scholarship will be offered to one school each year. The funds can be used to support transport, improvement of facilities, shearing fees, or any other similar aid for a team of school children.

Schools applying for funds must meet the following criteria:

- Be located no closer than 85km from the Adelaide Showground
- Have not participated in the School's Merino Wethers Competition for the past 5 years
- Have a shortfall in school funding to adequately support a Schools Team in the lead up to and/or during the Royal Adelaide Show
- Demonstrate the ability to compete in the School's Merino Wethers Competition within 2 years of receiving funding

Applicants will be weighted by the information below. If a section is not relevant to your school, leave it blank. Attachments of extended text or photographic evidence will be accepted.

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Applicant School & name of support teacher/mentor	
Annual Sum of money requested	\$2,000 cash sponsorship
Distance from Adelaide Showground (must be over 85km)	
School's DECD listed socio-economic rank	
School's other planned competition entries at 2018/2019 Royal Adelaide Show	
Year of last participation in School's Merino Wethers Competition	
If successful with funding, which year do you intend to enter the Schools' Merino Wethers Competition	
SUPPORTING FREE TEXT	
Proposed use of fund: How will your school use the funds provided to support your entry into the Schools' Merino Wethers Competition? (Max 200 words, dot points encouraged)	
Case for support: Why should your school receive these funds? (Max 500 words)	
Attachments: Please list any attachments to this document clearly with both the attachment name and type	