

Toloe Scholarship Use

Eligible Expenses (Approved for scholarship use)

The Ministry for Pacific Peoples' Toloe Secondary Schools Scholarship is designed to support Pacific students to pursue education in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). It provides financial assistance to help cover costs, removing barriers to allow students to participate and excel in these areas, and support their STEM pathway.

Toloe Scholarship funds may be used for the following purposes:

School-Related Costs

- School fees (Mandatory school fees and fees related to STEM subjects).
- Uniforms (School uniform and required STEM-related gear such as lab coats).
- Stationery and learning materials (All school stationery and other STEM- related needs such as scientific calculators, geometry sets, notebooks).

STEM Equipment and Technology

- Laptops, tablets, or software required for STEM subjects.
- Laboratory kits, robotics kits, or coding equipment.
- Scientific tools or instruments for STEM coursework.

STEM Programmes and Learning Opportunities

- School-organised STEM-related field trips or competitions.
- STEM-focused extracurricular activities (e.g., robotics clubs, coding boot camps).
- Online STEM courses, workshops, or certifications.
- Online tools and programmes that support STEM learning.
- Entry fees for STEM competitions (e.g., science fairs, math comps).

Examples of Ineligible Expenses (Not covered by scholarship)

The scholarship cannot be used for:

- **Non-STEM extracurricular activities** (e.g., School ball/socials, music lessons).
- **School sports** (Sports fees, sports uniform, rugby, netball or other sports teams).

Special Considerations

- If a student wishes to use their scholarship funds for an expense that is not STEM related, the school must seek **pre-approval** from Le Va before making any purchases.
- It is expected that funds are used in the 2026 year. If not, these can be transferred to the following year for Year 9-12 students. If there are leftover funds for Year 13, please contact Le Va for further instructions.

For any questions or clarifications, please contact the Toloe STEM Scholarship team at Le Va on Toloe@leva.co.nz