

Application Form - YES! Youth Excellence Sponsorship

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Before you start

The Youth Excellence Sponsorship Program (YES!) helps Lake Macquarie residents under 18 take part in top-level state, national, or international competitions.

Before applying, check the eligibility criteria. Schools or school-related competitions, professional athletes with existing sponsorship, recreational events, and anyone funded in the same financial year aren't eligible.

Provide details about your event, the discipline that you are competing in, how you were selected, and your achievements, with evidence like awards or certificates.

Applications are judged on merit, benefit to Lake Macquarie, financial need, endorsements, and overall quality. Successful applicants will share a short reflection after the event.

Incomplete applications or those submitted after the competition date or funding round closing will not be considered.

For questions, contact Jacqui Hemsley at jhemsley@lakemac.nsw.gov.au and quote your application reference if available.

Contact Details

* indicates a required field

Applicant *

Title	First Name	Last Name
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Year of Birth *

only provide month/year eg 10/2010

Address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Parent/guardian Name: *

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Parent/guardian Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Email *

Must be an email address.

Event or Competition Information

* indicates a required field

Name of event or competition *

For this sponsorship program, "high-level/elite" refers to young people showing outstanding achievement and commitment in their field, such as state or national selection, major competition success, or invitations to prestigious events. The program supports excellence across sport, arts, science, technology, and academics, celebrating diverse talent and building community pride.

Date of the event/competition *

Must be a date.

Location *

Description of the event and discipline (no more than 300 words) *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

Provide detail on the event size, why it is importance and the discipline eg Tennis, science, debating, dance Use AI to assist.

Level of competition *

☐ State

☐ National

☐ International

☐ Other:

For a youth support program, a recognised high-level competition can be defined as a formally endorsed event at the state, national, or international level, where participation is based on merit, selection, or qualification through competitive performance. These competitions are typically governed by peak bodies or accredited organisations and represent a significant step beyond regional or local events, indicating elite-level engagement and potential in the young person's field.

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How were you selected or invited to participate? *

- ☐ Qualified ☐ Invited
☐ Nominated ☐ Other:

Outline how you meet the selection criteria: *

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Refer to the guidelines for full details. Be descriptive, but succinct.

Supporting Documents

Attach evidence of selection, achievements, endorsements, invitation and relevant media coverage.

New Question *

Attach a file:

Sponsorship

* indicates a required field

Council provides sponsorship funding of up to \$300 for individuals and up to \$1,000 for teams. Funding may be used for competition entry fees, equipment, or transport. Funding may cover the full amount requested or a portion of the total cost.

Total Amount Requested *

What is the total financial support you are requesting in this application?

What will you spend the sponsorship money on? *

Please include all relevant expenses such as entry fees, travel, accommodation, equipment, and any other costs related to your participation in the event.

Are you applying as an individual or as part of a team? *

- ☐ Individual (up to \$300) ☐ Team (up to \$1000)

Nearly finished

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This section must be completed by a parent or guardian of the applicant.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the statements made in this application are true and correct. I understand that if the application is successful, the applicant will be required to accept the terms and conditions of the Youth Excellence Sponsorship Program (YES!) as outlined in the letter of approval.

I agree *

☐ Yes

**Name of parent/
guardian ***

Title	First Name	Last Name

Phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.
We may contact you to verify that this application is authorised
by the applicant organisation

Email *

Must be an email address.