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## HISTORY

The scholarships are named after Mike Fitzpatrick in recognition of his outstanding efforts to combine football with academic excellence. In 1975, Mike was a Rhodes Scholar from Western Australia. Now Chairman of the AFL Commission, Mike played 97 games with WAFL Club, Subiaco between 1970-1974 before playing 150 games for Carlton between 1975-1976 and 1978-1983. He captained the club's back to back Premiership teams in 1981 and 1982. Mike has extensive corporate experience including being the Founder and former Managing Director of Hastings Funds Management Limited, working with Merrill Lynch in New York, Victorian Treasury and Telecom Australia. This experience has been well utilised in the sporting industry with former positions as a member of the Melbourne Park Tennis Centre Trust, director of the Carlton Football Club and Chairman of the Australian Sports Commission. Mike was also Vice-President of AFL Players' Association in the early 1980's.

The scholarships are designed to support young players in their education and training while they are aspiring to an AFL career. There is a desire to assist those players who may be at some financial disadvantage. The scholarship program has been developed in conjunction with the AFLPA Player Development Program and reinforces the association's commitment to the future player education and welfare of AFL players.

The AFLPA awards a bursary to a recipient for a 12-month period.

## A SAMPLE OF AFL LISTED PLAYERS THAT HAVE RECEIVED A MIKE FITZPATRICK SCHOLARSHIP

Richard Cole, 2001, NT	Luke Brennan, 2002, VIC	Buddy Franklin, 2004, WA	Bashar Houli, 2005, VIC
Xavier Clarke, 2001, NT	Ryley Dunn, 2002, VIC	Cameron Wood, 2004, SA	Patrick Ryder, 2005, QLD
Damon White, 2001, SA	Beau Waters, 2003, SA	Grant Birchall, 2004, TAS	Lachlan Hansen, 2006, VIC
James Bartel, 2001, VIC	Ryan Griffen, 2004, SA	Travis Varcoe, 2005, SA	Joel Selwood, 2006, VIC
Byron Schammer, 2002, SA	Samuel Lonergan, 2004, TAS	Marcus Drum, 2005, VIC	Albert Proud, 2006, QLD

## CRITERIA

Please read carefully before signing the applicant declaration below:

- + Scholarships are available to players aged 15yrs and no older than 17yrs old as of 30th April 07. A nominated player should have been identified as a talented Australian Rules footballer who aspires to be an AFL player. The player must be in secondary school (or the equivalent) and be seeking financial assistance.
- + Players can receive a Mike Fitzpatrick Scholarship once only.
- + Please include a copy of most recent school (or equivalent) report.
- + Players may receive up to \$5,000, on such terms and conditions the scholarship committee may, in its absolute discretion, deem appropriate.
- + The funding a player receives will be determined exclusively by the scholarship committee.
- + Decisions made by the scholarship committee are final and no correspondence shall be entered into regarding the decision.
- + The scholarship is for a one-year period 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2008.
- + The player must remain in secondary schooling (or its equivalent) for the period he is a scholarship holder.
- + The AFLPA reserves the right at all times to end the scholarship of the player, where:
  - (a) the player or any person supporting the nomination of the player provides false or misleading information of a material nature to the scholarship committee;
  - (b) the player fails to observe any of the specified criteria items of the scholarship
  - (c) the player engages in conduct which in the reasonable discretion of the scholarship is unbecoming of a scholarship holder or adversely affects the standing or reputation of the scholarship.
- + The funds allocated must be used to assist the player directly.
- + Recipients of an AFL Scholarship are not eligible for a Mike Fitzpatrick Scholarship.
- + Players can be nominated by the coach or president of their state league club, or by an AFL club employee. Both the player and the nominator must complete this form.

All players must give their permission to be nominated, and nominations must be received by Friday 24th August 2007.

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FULL NAME			
POSTAL ADDRESS			
SUBURB	STATE	POST CODE	
PHONE (H)	MOBILE		
E-MAIL		DATE OF BIRTH	
Parents/Guardians Names			
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CURRENT FOOTBALL INFORMATION OF A	PPLICANT		
LOCAL CLUB			
SCHOOL CLUB			
REGION			
FOOTBALL REFEREE			
POSITION HELD	MOBILE		
EDUCATION DETAILS OF APPLICANT			
SECONDARY SCHOOL EDUCATION			
SECONDARY SCHOOL			
ADDRESS			
SUBURB	STATE	POSTCODE	
CURRENT YEAR LEVEL	STUDYING FULL-TIME/PART-TIME		
SECONDARY SCHOOL ACADEMIC REFERE	E		
POSITION HELD	PHONE		
FUTURE EDUCATION GOALS OF APPLICAN	т		
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REASON FOR WISHING TO UNDERTAKE TH	IE ABOVE STUDY		
LONG TERM CAREER GOALS			



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ITEM	ESTIMATE 2008 EXPENSES	ITEM	ESTIMATE 2008 EXPENSES
School fees	\$	Health insurance	\$
Text books	\$	Team uniform and football boots	\$
School uniform	\$	Football Club Membership	\$
Travel to and from school	\$	Assistance with travel for football	\$
School excursion	\$	Relocation expenses	\$
Technical equipment	\$	Other:	

#### NOMINATION INFORMATION

## REASONS FOR NOMINATION

In the space provided, please list/write the reasons you have nominated this player for a Mike Fitzpatrick Scholarship.

These reasons need to be focused on the purpose of the scholarship, which is to financial assist young players to maintain their studies while aspiring to an AFL career.

The selection panel will require information regarding the financial circumstances of the player and his family, as well as general information which you believe may assist in the selection process.

# MIKE FITZPATRICK SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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NOMINATOR DETAILS								
FULL NAME								
ORGANISATION		POSITION						
ADDRESS								
SUBURB	S1	ATE	POSTCODE					
PHONE (WORK)	MOBILE		E-MAIL					
NOMINATOR DECLARATION I declare that I have read and understood the critera and obligations of this scholarship and further declare that to the best of my knowledge all the information provided is true and correct.								
SIGNED			DATE					
APPLICANT DECLARATION								
I declare that I have read and understood the critera and obligations of this scholarship and declare that all the information I have provided is true and correct. I agree to my nomination for a Mike Fitzpatrick Scholarship.								
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT			DATE					
SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN			DATE					

Please send your application to Jessica Fairchild, Player Development Coordinator at AFL Players' Association. Sports House, Level 2, 375

Albert Road, Albert Park VIC 3206 or Fax 03 9926 1350.

If you have any questions, please contact Jessica on 03 9926 1355 or email jess@aflpa.com.au