

## **ATKINSON BROTHERS' ANNUAL BURSARY**

Cliff (1990-1991), Matt (1992-1993) and Simon (1995-1996) Atkinson attended Narrogin Agricultural College (as it was known then) and from humble beginnings have gone on to have successful careers within and outside of agriculture, which they attribute to the College setting them up with the skills and attitude to succeed. The intent of the Atkinson Brothers' Annual Bursary is to encourage and support passionate young people to embark on a career by assisting in their education at WA College of Agriculture –Narrogin.

To contribute to the development of future WA College of Agriculture – Narrogin students, the Atkinson Brothers are offering each year a \$3000.00 Bursary to a Year 11 student going into Year 12 to defray costs associated with boarding and / or course fees. The student will receive half of the scholarship at the start of Year 12 and the remainder at the start of Semester 2 in year 12; provided they continue to meet the expectations and eligibility criteria. Bursary funds will be paid to the College. The recipients' school and boarding fees will be debited from these funds. Unspent scholarship funds will be returned to the funding body unless the recipient has been approved by the Bursary Selection Panel to expend surplus funds for a learning activity related to the objectives of the Bursary.

### **Eligibility**

- Currently enrolled in Year 11 at WA College of Agriculture – Narrogin
- Not in receipt of Assistance for Isolated Children (AIC)

### **Selection Criteria**

- Demonstrated positive work ethic, enthusiasm and a high level of performance in all components of the course and willingness to keep learning.
- Demonstrated ability to overcome personal adversity.
- Demonstrated desire to succeed in life.

### **Expectations of the bursary recipient**

- Will maintain a positive and productive approach to their learning and involvement in the College.
- Will have an attendance record of 90% or better.
- Will maintain satisfactory effort across all subjects and learning areas according to school reports.
- Will do a presentation about their Agricultural College experience to the selection panel of the bursary at the end of Semester 1 and 2. The presentation may be written, video or in-person.

### **Application Process**

Students intending on applying for the Bursary must write a covering application letter addressing the selection criteria and supply the following documents:

- School Reports
- Résumé
- Two references

Students will be short-listed by the Bursary Selection Panel and the short-listed students will be required to attend a face-to-face interview.