

Dear Superstars of STEM Scholarship Committee,

I would like to apply for a scholarship to take part in the program. I have demonstrated that I meet the criteria of part A and part B as below.

*Part A:*

- I am the single income earner to support my family. I have two young, smart kids (5 and 11), and I am very proud of them. My daughter just got an offer from the North Sydney Girls, and I hope she could continue her passion on science. My 80 years old mother also lives with me. My mum has depression since my father passed away seven years ago. My family provides enormous emotional support to my career, which keeps me moving forward. However, the financial burden is all on my shoulder, which sometimes made me stressed.

And

*Part B:*

- I am a member of the Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) community. I am the first-generation immigrant to Australia from mainland China. As a non-native speaker and ethnic minority in Australia, I have learnt a lot from the diverse culture in Australian local communities, but also faced more challenges in pursuing my career goals.

Thank you for your consideration!

Best regards,

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