POLICY – Sion Scripture Biblical Study Program – Jerusalem
Modes of Access

Teachers of Religious Education and / or Religious Education Coordinators Scholarship

Teachers of Religious Education and / or Religious Education Coordinators in Primary schools may apply for a full scholarship to take the one-month biblical course in Jerusalem. Normally there will be four such places available annually.

Process of Selection

All applicants need to be selected by the Committee and attend any preparatory sessions required.

In deciding whether a scholarship will be available, the Committee will take into account any other sponsorship the applicant has received.

Pre-requisites

1. RE Teacher and / or REC.
2. Accreditation to teach RE in a Catholic School
3. Teachers who apply should be employed on a full-time basis, unless a teacher is working part-time on a temporary basis and intends to return to full-time work.
4. Leave from school must be obtained from the Principal

Criteria

1. Completed Application Form
2. Principal’s Letter of Recommendation
3. Evidence of high standard of RE teaching
4. Commitment to a future period of RE teaching, RE Coordination in the Diocese of Sale
5. Successful outcome of interview process with the Scholarship Panel

Primary Principals’ Professional Learning Program

Principals who are entitled to Professional Learning Leave may choose to access the Sion Biblical Program as a suitable program to meet their needs. Professional Learning Leave programs must be approved by the Director.

Long Service Leave

Teachers, Principals and Catholic Education Office staff may seek a place in the Sion Biblical Program during long service leave, if they wish to do so. All associated costs would be their own responsibility. Arrangements to attend the Biblical Program would also be their own responsibility.

CEOSale Staff Professional Learning

Catholic Education Office Staff may be sponsored as a Professional Learning opportunity if the Director deems that such an opportunity is sufficiently relevant to the person’s work in the diocese, or to the present and future needs of the diocese.

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