Scholarship APRIL 2025 Report

for Ontario high school students

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In Ontario each student in Grades 9 to 12 must complete <u>forty hours of volunteer activities</u> to earn their Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD). In fact, students in Grade 8 can start accumulating community involvement hours in the summer before they enter Grade 9. But did you know there are many reasons to volunteer over and above the required forty hours? Let's look at six reasons to remain consistent and dedicated in volunteering throughout your high school years.

- 1 Scholarship committees reward those who are actively helping others. While grades, extracurricular (school) activities, and leadership experience are considerations for some scholarships, most scholarship applications ask for volunteer experience. They are looking for a history of volunteerism: long-term, extended volunteerism over and above the required forty hours.
- 2 Volunteering in an area that may align with your prospective field of study is a great way to explore careers, and it demonstrates you are working toward your future goals. For example, if being a teacher is a potential career goal, volunteer with children or set up a tutoring program. Interested in becoming a social worker? Participate in food programs and food drives. You are gaining valuable work experience while working towards your goals.
- 3 Volunteering can help you build your soft skills--skills such as effective communication, teamwork, problem solving, and a positive attitude. These skills can be used in your everyday life or in your workplace. See "Soft Skills" on Page 2.

4 Seeking leadership experience in your volunteer role not only develops your

skills, but it can also benefit your scholarship applications. Many of the larger awards look for leadership experience in their candidates. Activities such as leading camps, coaching sports or instructing recreational activities allow you to showcase your leadership skills.

5 When you volunteer, not only will you meet people who share similar interests, but you may be able to connect with people who can guide or assist you in your future career. They may also be able to provide

National Volunteer Week April 27-May 3 #VolunteersMakeWaves Volunteer Canada

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The organization where you volunteer may offer scholarships. Local and provincial chapters of many organizations and clubs often sponsor scholarships as a way of serving their local community, e.g., St. John Ambulance offers a youth programs which include volunteering opportunities, and they also offer scholarships and bursaries to eligible volunteers.

If you are uncertain as to what you want to study, then explore potential careers by volunteering for a cause or causes that you are passionate about. See "Develop Your Passion", right.

Soft Skills

Whether you are working on-the-job or volunteering, you have an opportunity to develop soft skills which you can then include on your resume or in an interview.

Soft skills include:

- Adaptability
- Communication
- Conflict resolution
- Creativity
- Dependability
- Empathy
- Motivation
- Organization
- Positive attitude
- Problem-solving
- Teamwork
- Work ethic

For more information on soft skills, and how to ace an interview, click here.

Develop Your Passion

Excerpt from Volunteer Canada



Passion: Protecting the environment

Related volunteering experience: Cleanups at trails or parks; community gardening

Related careers: Environmental engineer; land use planner; waste planner; recycling; ecologist; horticulturalist



Passion: Fighting poverty

Related volunteering experience: Building homes; advocacy or information campaigns; shelters and food programs; food, clothing, and supply drives

Related careers: Social worker; social services worker; documentary or report writer; community worker advocacy; food service; politics



Passion: Healthy living

Related volunteering experience: School nutrition; community centre health and wellness; emergency / first aid; tutoring and literacy programs

Related careers: Health care practitioner; nurse; physical therapist; dietician; paramedic; doctor; fitness instructor; food services; teacher

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

You can find a volunteer opportunity by contacting:

- a not-for-profit or charitable organization in your community
- former coaches or teachers involved in sports leagues / associations
- your Guidance Counselor to find out about available opportunities in your community.

Other sites:

- Government of Canada Services and Information for Young Canadians Contribute to your community (and build your skills!)
 - Cadets
 - Canada Service Corps
 - Junior Canadian Rangers
 - Parks Canada
 - RCMP Volunteer Programs
- Ontario Volunteer Centre Network
- · Canadian Blood Services
- Ontario Health Coalition
- · Canadian Cancer Society
- GoodWork
- Nature Conservancy Canada
- Ontario Nature
- Ontario Wildlife Rescue
- Special Olympics Ontario

Sources:

- Volunteer Canada: New to Volunteering?
- University of Waterloo: How to tackle your 40 hours of community service



UPCOMING OPEN HOUSES

(ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

Contact the Guidance Department for your copy of the "Spring 2025 Open House Schedules."

UNIVERSITIES

- McMaster: May 10
- Wilfrid Laurier—Milton: April 5.
- Windsor: April 5; Virtual: May 15.
- York—Markham: April 5.

COLLEGES

- Algonquin—Perth: April 24.
- Cambrian: April 5.
- Canadore: April 5.
- Centennial: April 26.
- Durham—Oshawa & Whitby Campuses: April 12.
- George Brown: April 5.
- Humber: April 12.
- Loyalist: April 5.
- Mohawk—Centre for Aviation Technology: April 10.
- Mohawk—Fennell: April 5.
- Mohawk—Institute for Applied Health Sciences: April 9.
- Mohawk—Stoney Creek Campus for Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship: April 5.
- Northern: April 5.
- Sault: April 5.
- Seneca: April 12.
- St. Lawrence—Brockville & Cornwall Campuses: April 5.
- St. Lawrence—Kingston: April 12.



UPCOMING MAJOR AWARD DEADLINES

(ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

Contact the Guidance Department for your copy of the "Major Entrance Awards at Ontario Universities and Colleges."

COLLEGE

• Georgian College: May 15.

UNIVERSITY

- Brock:
 - <u>Prestige Awards</u>. Earliest deadline: April 1.
 - Other awards & bursaries (OneApp): April 15.
- <u>Guelph Undergraduate Entrance Bursaries</u>: April 15, 4 p.m.
- Guelph-Humber:
 - Diversity Entrance Bursary: April 15, 4 p.m.
 - Registrar's Need-based Entrance Bursary: April 15.
- Lakehead Presidential Scholarship: April 25.
- Nipissing's Scholarships, Bursaries & Awards for High School Students: May 1.
- Nipissing's Chancellor's Award: May 1.
- <u>Waterloo Entrance Bursary</u> (includes Conrad Grebel, Renison, St. Jerome's): April 15.
- Check the <u>Awards database</u> for other awards that require an application.
- (Western) King's Application-based Entrance Scholarships: Earliest deadline is April 30.
- Wilfrid Laurier's Entrance Bursary: May 1.
- Windsor:
 - Entrance Awards: April 30.
 - Outstanding Scholars Candidates Program: April 30.
 - Profiled Entrance Awards: April 30.
- * This list does not include all available university or college awards. Check the websites of any school you're interested in for award information.



SCHOLARSHIP TIP

By the end of May, you will have received your letter(s) of acceptance. Consider your options carefully, including each school's financial aid package as part of the decision-making process on where to attend. Also consider the cost of travel and living expenses if you are going to a school out of town. It may be a good idea to visit the campus location if possible. Check out this helpful article: How to Choose the Right University for You.



IMPORTANT DATES: COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY

ontariocolleges.ca

May 1: Deadline to Confirm Offers of Admission **June:** Tuition Deposit Due at the Colleges *Many college programs continue to accept applicants after February 1. Use the <u>Find a Program</u> tool at any time to find programs that are still open.

Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC)

May 29: The latest date all high school applicants who submitted their application by the January application deadline can expect a response from an Ontario university. This includes an offer of admission, a refusal, or a deferral once additional information is received.

June 3: The earliest date an Ontario high school student may be required to respond to an Ontario university offer of admission and give a financial commitment, e.g., registration deposit, residence deposit, etc.

June 4: The date the <u>Admission Information Service</u> (AIS) opens. The AIS allows you to determine which Ontario universities still have spots available in first-year undergraduate programs.

All other admission-related elements, including scholarships, other forms of student assistance or financial incentives, and offers of residence, are considered part of the offer of admission. Therefore, a student may accept these other offers before June 2, but Ontario universities will not compel a student in any way to decide earlier than this date. — OUAC.

APRIL-MAY CHECKLIST FOR SENIOR STUDENTS

- There are still Open Houses scheduled in April. If you haven't been able to attend an Open House, take a tour of the school campus if possible.
- Submit any <u>optional</u> forms to the schools you have applied to. TIP: Think of them as <u>required</u> forms.
- ☑ Check the submission dates for any Entrance Awards / Admissions Awards (scholarships) at the school you may be attending in the fall. For students with financial need, be sure to check out the Entrance Bursary application deadlines as well.
- ☑ Log into your university or college student account for information on financial aid. Take note of any application deadlines for scholarships and entrance bursaries.
- ☑ Check your email (including Junk/ Spam folder) and mail daily. The emails/ letters will contain information on the admissions process, financial aid information, deadlines, etc. Respond if requested and do not miss any deadlines.
- ☑ Did you know most external scholarship application deadlines are from February to June? Continue to search and apply for scholarships and bursaries. Don't forget to check your school's bulletin board or binder. Talk to a guidance counselor about scholarships. New scholarship information is sent to Guidance regularly.
- ☑ Keep up your grades. Your second semester grades will be checked to ensure you've met all pre-requisites for the program to which you have been accepted.
- Find a summer job, a volunteer opportunity and / or an internship.

INTERNSHIPS

What is an internship?

An internship is a short-term work experience (often unpaid)—it can be as short as a week, for example, during March Break, or one-two months in the summer. An internship is most beneficial when it is in a field you may be interested in pursuing. As an intern, your responsibilities are typically on the lighter side of professional work. You may only get to assist with simple tasks like data entry, organizing files, or shadowing professionals.

Benefits of an internship:

- Gain practical experience in a professional setting
- Develop soft skills such as communication, teamwork, and problem-solving
- Explore different career paths to make informed decisions about your future
- Strengthen university, college, and scholarship applications.

How do you find an internship?

- Talk to your family, neighbours, teachers, guidance counselor and anyone else you know about your internship search.
- Reach out to local businesses directly. Call, e-mail, or even stop by and ask if they offer internships to high school students.
- Reach out to charities and non-profits including religious organizations. They almost always need extra help!

Once you land an internship, treat it like you would a paid position. Be diligent and punctual, and put your best foot forward!

*Good read: *How to Find an Internship That Matters*.



TIP:

For tips on how to write a high school resume, see <u>High School Student Resume Examples and Templates for 2024</u>.





Some of the barriers youth face in finding employment are "primarily their lack of experience and their network," according to Ashley Demery, Youth Employment Services office manager. Demery says "young job applicants should highlight what they've learned in school, along with skills developed through hobbies and extra-curricular activities." They should assess "what they've done, what experiences they have, what they are strong at, and what do they want to do." — CTV NEWS

EVENTS

US College Expo 2025

Understand all aspects of the US College Admissions process, from selection, application, financing and student athlete considerations. Meet U.S. college representatives at the annual US College Expo!

When:

April 11: Guidance Counsellors April 12: Students & parents

Where:

Roy Thomson Hall 60 Simcoe St, Toronto

Skills Ontario Trades & Tech Summer Camps

Camp registration rates are \$230 per camper (plus applicable fees).

Registration for 2025 summer camps is open. Click here for more information.



PAYING FOR SCHOOL: THE ONTARIO STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (OSAP)

The Ontario Student Assistance Program is a financial aid program that can help you pay for college or university. OSAP offers funding through loans and grants. A grant is money you don't have to pay back.

OSAP is open to Ontario residents of any age. Applications are open to Canadian citizens, permanent residents, or protected persons.

When you apply for OSAP, you are automatically considered for both a loan and a grant. If you don't want to take the loan, you can decline the loan and keep the grant after your application is approved.

The amount of assistance you will receive is based on a formula that compares a student's education costs and living expenses with the student's complete financial situation such as their income and assets, and their family's income.

There are also additional funds for <u>under-represented learners</u>: Indigenous students, individuals in, or formerly in, society care (Crown Wards), first-generation students (which means your parents didn't attend postsecondary studies), students with disabilities, etc.

Each student is assessed on an individual basis which also includes considering the size of their family, whether there are other dependents in the family, etc.

Applying for OSAP typically takes less than fifteen minutes. You will need to share personal information such as your Social Insurance Number (SIN), your parents/guardians' SIN, and financial information such as your tax information, and your parents/guardians' tax information (from Income Tax returns). You will also need to include

the school you're attending in the fall and the program you are enrolled in.

The National Student Loans Service Centre (NSLSC) will send you an email when it's time for you to register for your online account. They will also inform you when it's time to complete a Master Student Financial Assistance Agreement (MSFAA). This is the loan agreement that outlines the terms and conditions of the loan. You will only need to complete this agreement once over the course of your education unless you take a two-year break from your studies or move to another province. Before you can submit the loan agreement, you will need a bank account in your name, and photo identification.

From the time you submit your application and OSAP receives all the required documents, it usually takes about three to six weeks to receive a response.

Then, you will receive a Notice of Assessment from your province that tells you how much student aid you will receive.

Other Notes on OSAP:

- In general, you're expected to contribute towards your educational costs. The contribution this year was \$3,600.
- If students use money from their Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP), it won't affect how much OSAP they can receive.
- OSAP is disbursed in two installments in September & January respectively. OSAP funding is sent directly to the school you're attending to pay fees owing each term. Any remaining OSAP funding will be deposited in your bank account after your fees are paid in full.
- Appeal/review process: If you are

- not approved for funding or satisfied with the approved amount, you can request an appeal or funding review no later than forty days before the end of the semester. OSAP will consider other extenuating circumstances, e.g., unexpected financial difficulties. Get in touch with the financial aid office at your school to discuss your situation. They'll let you know if a funding review is possible.
- You must apply to OSAP if you want to be eligible for other university/college financial aid. When you apply for bursaries, it is sometimes a requirement to have already applied for OSAP to demonstrate that you have exhausted all other resources.
- It is recommended to apply by June 30 to receive your money by the fall semester. You must *apply every year*.
- IMPORTANT: Your main OSAP contact is the Financial Aid Office (FAO) at your school. The FAO will administer all financial aid programs to their own students. It is IMPORTANT that you notify your financial aid office if the information on your loan application has changed. New information can affect your funding.
- If you want to get a good sense of how much funding you will receive from OSAP, check out the <u>OSAP</u>
 <u>AID ESTIMATOR</u>. It usually opens in late spring.



Government of Ontario Award

☑ Government of Ontario: Lincoln M. Alexander Award

Two Student Awards and One Community Award.

Nomination required.

Recognizing young people who have shown strong leadership in eliminating racial discrimination.

Award: \$5,000. **Deadline:** May 31.

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Ontario Public School Board Association (OPSBA)/AMO: Jack A. MacDonald Award of Merit

Nomination required.

The Jack A. MacDonald Award of Merit is awarded to an elementary or secondary school student attending an Ontario public school within an OPSBA Member Board for a sound academic record and outstanding community service and leadership.

Award: One \$500 award. **Deadline:** April 4, 4:30 p.m.

Ontario Public School Board Association (OPSBA)/AMO: Healthy Democracy Student **Leadership Award**

Nomination required.

Scholarship recipients are students with leadership skills and potential who care deeply about their communities including First Nation, Métis or Inuit communities, and furthering their own learning. Award: One \$1,000 award to one graduating English public school student in each of OPSBA's five regions.

Deadline: June 6.

Ontario School Counsellors' Association (OSCA-ACOSO) Anthony DiLena Student **Pathway Awards**

Nomination required.

Open to at-risk students who have demonstrated the ability to succeed in the face of adversity.

Award: Five \$500 awards: Apprenticeship, College, Community Living, University and Workplace.

Deadline: May 1, 4 p.m.

Ontario Federation of School Athletic **Associations (OFSAA) Character Athlete Award**

Nomination from a teacher-coach required.

Award: Four \$500 awards (for two males and two females).

Deadline: Nominations due April 11.

Ontario Federation of School Athletic **Associations (OFSAA): Colin Hood Award**

The Colin Hood Award is given out annually to one graduating male, one graduating female, and one coach in every school in the province who. throughout their high school career, have been committed to the success of school sport at their school and within their Association. Schools can select from one or two of the categories (female. male, coach) if they so choose.

Deadline: May 31.

Horatio Alger / Fairfax Financial Holdings Entrance Awards

Are you attending one of the following schools in the fall?

- University of Toronto
- University of Waterloo
- Georgian College
- Seneca College
- Sheridan College

Horatio Alger/Fairfax are offering awards to students who have financial need, a minimum grade percentage of 80% and who are attending one of the above postsecondary institutions.

More information here.

Horatio Alger Association of Canada **Vocational & Technical Education Scholarships**

- Vocational & Technical Education Scholarships: Twenty-five \$3,000 scholarships. Open to students who demonstrate critical financial need: \$65,000 or less annual net income per family.
- Crown Lift Vocational & Technical Education Scholarships: Three \$3,000 scholarships. Open to students who demonstrate critical financial need: \$65,000 or less annual income per family.

Deadline: June 15.

GRADES 10 & 11

French for the Future Ambassador

Your mission as an ambassador is to promote the French language and official bilingualism in your school throughout the year by organizing activities related to French. Before you start your year as an ambassador, you will attend a free week of training in August. Travel, accommodation and all activities are free for the 35 selected participants.

Applications are open to students Canada-wide who are: available from August 3-8.

- enrolled in a French program (Core, Extended, Immersion, French First Language).
- comfortable communicating in French and English with and in front of their peers.
- involved in French extracurricular activities.
- leadership-oriented and ready to make a lasting impact.

Register before May 6 here.

RBC Future Launch Scholarship

The <u>RBC Future Launch Scholarship</u> could help you take your next step towards a better job.

The RBC Future Launch Scholarship will be awarded to those who show a clear vision for their future.

- For Canadian youth between 15 29 years old
- Enrolled part time in school or not in school at all
- A Canadian Citizen or Permanent resident
- Grades and transcripts are not required
- Hundreds of scholarships available throughout the year

The \$1,500 scholarship can be used for many different things, including:

- Short-term courses
- Workshops
- Certificates
- Necessary equipment or books

RBC TRAINING GROUND

RBC Training Ground, an athlete funding program, visits communities searching for student athletes with Olympic potential to provide them with the resources they need to achieve their podium dreams. With the belief that high performance sports should be accessible to all athletes that are talented, qualified, and have the will to compete, this program travels the country searching for athletes that will fuel the Canadian Olympic pipeline. Follow @rbctrainingground for up-to-date information.

SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES, & AWARDS FOR INDIGENOUS YOUTH

Bunzl Canada Indigenous Youth Scholarship

Sign in to <u>Scholarship Partners Canada</u>. Click on "Search for Public Scholarships."

Award: One \$3,000 scholarship—renewable each year. **Deadline:** April 2. **OPEN To the first 30 SUBMITTED applications.**

The Giller Mantella Scholarship

Open to Black, <u>Indigenous</u> and racialized students planning to start or continue full-time English Literature, Writing, or Creative Writing studies

Award: Three \$10,000 scholarships. One scholarship will be reserved for a student that identifies as Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit or Métis).

Deadline: April 2.

Merck Canada Indigenous Student Scholarship

Sign in to <u>Scholarship Partners Canada</u>. Click on "Search for Public Scholarships."

Award: Eight \$5,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 3, 1 p.m. OPEN To the first 60

SUBMITTED applications.

First Nations Child & Family Caring Society: Jordan's Principle Scholarship

Open to First Nations students studying children's holistic health and wellbeing.

Award: Two \$5,000 scholarships and two \$2,500 scholarships.

Deadline: April 10.

(Students in the GTA) **BOLT Financial Awards**

Award: Several awards for up to \$5,500. Two \$3,000 awards are dedicated to students who identify as Indigenous, First Nations, or Metis pursuing construction-related college or university programs.

Deadline: April 11, 9 p.m.

University of Guelph-Humber Diversity Entrance Bursary

Open to Black, <u>Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit or Metis)</u> or racialized students who demonstrate financial need.

Award: \$2,000.

Deadline: April 15, 4 p.m.

Canadian Hearing Services (CHS) National Scholarships

Canadian Hearing Services is committed to promoting equity and diversity. "We welcome applications from Indigenous peoples and will give <u>additional recognition to Indigenous Deaf and hard of hearing students."</u>

Award: Thirty scholarships: \$3,000 for full-time students

and \$1,000 for part-time students.

Deadline: April 25.

Ontario Aboriginal Housing Services (OAHS): Don McBain Memorial Award

Award: Three \$5,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 25.

Bayer Crop Science Opportunity Scholarship

Award: Twelve \$5,000 awards. Preference will be given to two applicants of Canadian indigenous heritage.

Deadline: April 30, 1 p.m.

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto (CCAT): Indigenous Community Youth Leadership Scholarship

Award: One \$5,000 scholarship.

Deadline: April 30.

Empowered Kids Ontario (EKO) Scholarship

Award: Nine \$3,000 scholarships <u>including an exclusive</u> award for self-identified Indigenous, First Nations and <u>Métis students</u> who have received services at an <u>EKO</u> General Member organization.

Deadline: April 30.

ETFO (Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario) Scholarships and Bursaries

ETFO offers financial incentives to members and nonmembers entering faculties of education. This includes <u>bursaries for members of designated groups, including</u> <u>Black and Indigenous educators,</u> and bursaries for children of ETFO members. See criteria for each award.

Award: Various amounts. **Deadline:** April 30.

Export Development Canada (EDC): Indigenous Community Leader Scholarship

Award: One \$5,000 scholarship.

Deadline: April 30.

First Nations Child & Family Caring Society: Shannen's Dream Scholarship

Award: Two \$10,000 scholarships; two \$5,500

scholarships.

Deadline: April 30.

Lerners: Diversity & Inclusion Bursary & Mentorship Program

Candidates must be a member of Ontario's racialized community, i.e., Black, <u>Indigenous</u> or a Person of Colour.

Award: Two \$5,000 bursaries Deadline in May in 2024.

BGC Canada (BGCC) Indigenous Youth of the Year (YOY)

Deadline: May 2. To apply, speak to club staff.

TC Energy Scholarships: Indigenous Legacy Scholarship

Award: Up to \$5,000.

Deadline: May 2, 11:59:59 p.m. PST. Note: These scholarships are available in Canada, the U.S. and Mexico. Please make sure you're on the correct country page when applying.

Scotiabank Scholarships (apply on myBlueprint)

Four scholarship themes including:

<u>Diversity Scholarship</u>: Open to students (16 years of age or older) in their final year of high school who self-identify under one or more of the following equity-deserving groups: <u>Indigenous People</u>, People with Disabilities, Black People, LGBT+ Communities, People of Colour, and/or Family Members of Veterans. **Eligibility:** See the eligibility criteria for each scholarship.

Award: \$3,750 scholarships. Note: The scholarships are divided into four categories. There are four regions in each category (one region is Ontario). There is one winner from Ontario in each category.

Deadline: May 7.

James Bartleman Indigenous Youth Creative Writing Awards (Government of Ontario)

Award: Six \$2,500 awards.

Deadline: May 31.

Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC) Scholarships

Equity Awards: Open to the members or dependents of members who self ID as a woman, <u>Indigenous</u>, person with a disability, racially visible or 2SLGBTQIA+. If you self-ID in one of these groups, indicate it on the application form.

Award: Five \$3,000 awards.

Deadline in June in 2024.

*Search 2025 scholarship in the search bar for updated information.

Preference may be given to students from equity-deserving groups (Black, <u>Indigenous</u> Peoples, People of Colour, Persons with Disabilities, Women, 2SLGBTQ+). Deadline in June in 2024. **OPEN to the first 800 SUBMITTED applications.**

United Steelworkers (USW) Indigenous Scholarships

Award: Six \$1,500 awards. Deadline in June in 2024.

Brock University: Chancellor's First Nations Award

Tuition including ancillary and material fees for four years, a single residence room and standard meal plan during the Fall and Winter terms for up to four years, and textbooks

Deadline: June 2, 4:30 p.m.

Indigenous Pharmacy Professionals of Canada (IPPC): Indigenous Pharmacy Scholarship

Award: Three \$20,000 scholarships. Two renewable.

Deadline: June 21.

Ontario Native Education Counselling Association (ONECA): Four Directions Scholarship

Must be recommended by Secondary School, First Nation Community or Education Counsellor.

Award: Four \$1,000 scholarships.

Deadline: June 30, 4 p.m.

See also: <u>SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES, & AWARDS</u> <u>FOR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES</u>

OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- Indspire (First Nations, Inuit, and Métis students)
- Government of Canada: Indigenous Services Canada
- Government of Ontario: Indigenous Students
- Government of Ontario: OSAP for under-represented learners
- Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO): Various programs

Amazon Future Engineer Events and Competitions: Your Voice is Power (YVIP)

Open to any K-12 or CÉGEP student living in Canada during the Entry Period. Using the EarSketch platform, students get creative to remix songs from Indigenous artists and use what they have learned from the provided course outline. Entry deadline: **June 30.**

REMINDER:



If your friends receive an Offer of Acceptance before you do, it may be because of program choice. Also, every university has its own timeline for sending offers. (Don't panic!).

SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES, & AWARDS FOR BLACK YOUTH

☐ Jamaican Canadian Association (JCA) Scholarships

Students must have a Caribbean/African background. **Award:** Various scholarships. Applicants may only apply for one scholarship.

Opens April 2025.

The Giller Mantella Scholarship

Open to <u>Black</u>, Indigenous and racialized students planning to start or continue full-time English Literature,

Writing, or Creative Writing studies. **Award:** Three \$10,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 2.

University of Guelph-Humber Diversity Entrance Bursary

Open to <u>Black</u>, Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit or Metis) or racialized students who demonstrate financial need.

Award: \$2,000.

Deadline: April 15, 4 p.m.

University of Waterloo: CIBC Inclusion Award for Black Students

Preference will be given to students enrolling in a STEM program (Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics).

Award: Four \$25,000 awards.

Deadline: April 15.

ETFO (Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario) Scholarships and Bursaries

ETFO offers several financial incentives including scholarships and bursaries for members and non-members entering faculties of education. This includes <u>bursaries</u> for members of designated groups, including Black and <u>Indigenous educators</u>, and bursaries for children of ETFO members.

Award: Various amounts. **Deadline:** April 30.

Export Development Canada (EDC): Black Community Leader Scholarship

Award: \$5,000. **Deadline:** April 30.

Olympia's Gift Scholarship

Sign in to <u>Scholarship Partners Canada</u>. Click on "Search for Public Scholarships."

Eligibility includes the following: You are "of <u>African</u> <u>descent</u> (have at least one parent whose ancestry originates in the Black ethnic groups of Africa, including

Afro-Caribbean and Black Latin America), and pursuing post-secondary studies in business or entrepreneurship."

Award: Two \$5,000 scholarships; four \$2,500 scholarships.

Deadline: April 30. **OPEN To the first 25 SUBMITTED**

applications.

SMILE Foundation Bursary

Award: Five \$1,000 bursaries to recipients in Canada and five \$1,000 bursaries to recipients in Jamaica.

Deadline: April 30.

Black Education Fund Scholarships

Award: Nine roster scholarships, each valued at up to \$1,000 per year over four years, along with ten one-time bursaries of \$500.

Deadline in May in 2024.

Lerners: Diversity & Inclusion Bursary & Mentorship Program

Candidates must be a member of Ontario's racialized community, i.e., Black, Indigenous or a Person of Colour.

Award: Two \$5,000 bursaries Deadline in May in 2024.

Scotiabank Scholarships (apply on myBlueprint)

Four scholarship themes including:

<u>Diversity Scholarship</u>: Open to students (16 years of age or older) in their final year of high school who self-identify under one or more of the following equity-deserving groups: Indigenous People, People with Disabilities, <u>Black People</u>, LGBT+ Communities, People of Colour, and/or Family Members of Veterans.

Eligibility: See the eligibility criteria for each scholarship.

Award: \$3,750 scholarships. Note: The scholarships are divided into four categories. There are four regions in each category (one region is Ontario). There is one winner from Ontario in each category.

Deadline: May 7.

The Alliance of Jamaican Alumni Associations (AJAA): Graduates Program Bursary

Nomination required.

Deadline: May 16, 5 p.m.

Government of Ontario: Lincoln M. Alexander

Two *Student Awards* and One *Community Award*. **Nomination required.**

Recognizing young people who have shown strong leadership in eliminating racial discrimination.

Award: \$5,000. **Deadline:** May 31.

Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC) Scholarships

Equity Awards: Open to the members or dependents of members who self ID as a woman, Indigenous, person with a disability, racially visible or 2SLGBTQIA+. If you self-ID in one of these groups, indicate it on the application form.

Award: Five \$3,000 awards. Deadline in June in 2024.

*Search 2025 scholarship in the search bar for updated information.

☐ Ted Rogers Entrance Scholarship

Preference may be given to students from equity-deserving groups (<u>Black</u>, Indigenous Peoples, People of Colour, Persons with Disabilities, Women, 2SLGBTQ+). Deadline in June in 2024. **OPEN to the first 800 SUBMITTED applications.**

Barbados Canada Foundation (BCF) Scholarships

Award: \$4,000. Deadline: June 13.

See also <u>SCHOLARSHIPS</u>, <u>BURSARIES</u>, <u>& AWARDS</u> FOR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES

OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

• Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN)
Scholarship Directory



"The most important thing to remember is that many bursary/scholarship applications are reviewed as part of a competitive process. Applications are being evaluated, scored, and ranked against other applications. There are many more applications than available bursaries/scholarships to be awarded. You must appreciate that you will be competing against many other applicants and not everyone can be a winner – so do not be discouraged if you are not selected. Apply for as many bursary/scholarships as you can." — D.M. (Dan) Cozzi, P. Eng, Executive Director, Municipal Engineers Association

☐ SeekingScholarships.com April 2025

SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES, & AWARDS FOR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES INCLUDING INDIGENOUS & RACIALIZED YOUTH, 2SLGBTQIA+ YOUTH, FIRST GENERATION YOUTH, AND YOUTH WITH DISABILITIES (OSAP DEFINITION FOR DISABILITY)

Medavie Scholarship

Open to students between the ages of 17 and 25 who are living with a mental health challenge of their own or that of a family member and pursuing a health-related field of study at a university or community college.

Award: Ten \$7,000 scholarships; renewable.

Deadline: Opens in April 2025.

The Giller Mantella Scholarship

Open to Black, Indigenous and <u>racialized students</u> planning to start or continue full-time English Literature, Writing, or Creative Writing studies.

Award: Three \$10,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 2.

Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada (CHF Canada) Diversity Scholarships

Open to those who live in a CHFT member co-op and who are actively involved and *promoting diversity, equity* and inclusion in their community.

Award: \$5,000 over four years.

Deadline: PHCHF: April 14, 4 p.m. COCHF: April 4, 4 p.m. GHCHF: May 31, 4 p.m. CHASEO: June 30, 4 p.m.

Lime Connect Pathways Scholarship for High School Seniors

Applicants must have, or consider themselves to have, a visible or invisible disability.

Award: Thirteen \$1,000 USD scholarships.

Deadline: April 15.

University of Guelph-Humber Diversity Entrance Bursary

Open to Black, Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit or Metis) or <u>racialized</u> students who demonstrate financial need.

Award: \$2,000.

Deadline: April 15, 4 p.m.

Easter Seals Ontario Scholarships

Open to applicants that have a <u>physical disability that</u> impacts their mobility.

Award: Ten to twenty \$500-\$5,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 17.

Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada Youth Education Awards

Award: Twelve awards up to \$5,000.

Deadline: April 18.

Canadian Hard of Hearing (CHHA) Association Scholarships

Award: Seven \$1,000-\$2,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 18.

Canadian Hearing Services (CHS) National Scholarships

Award: Thirty scholarships: \$3,000 for full-time students

and \$1,000 for part-time students.

Deadline: April 25.

OPSBA (Ontario Public School Boards' Association): Ontario Public Student Trustee Leadership Scholarship

Submissions from student trustees who represent the <u>various dimensions of diversity</u> are encouraged to apply.

Award: Two \$500 scholarships.

Deadline: April 25.

Autism Ontario Scholarships

Award: \$500 awards. Deadline: April 30.

Canadian Hemophilia Society (CHS): James Kreppner Memorial Scholarship and Bursary Program

Award: One scholarship and one bursary: \$5,000 each.

Deadline: April 30.

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto (CCAT)

<u>Sisters of Service Scholarship</u>: Applicants must be a recent immigrant or refugee to Canada who has obtained landed immigrant or permanent resident status over the past five years. Must be endorsed by a teacher, an agency or community partner whose values align with those of CCAT.

Award: Two \$5,000 awards (one youth and one adult).

Deadline: April 30.

Childhood Cancer Canada (CCC) CIBC Survivor Scholarship

Award: Nine \$5,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 30.

Empowered Kids Ontario (EKO) Scholarship

Open to students who have received services at an EKO General Member organization.

Award: Nine \$3,000 scholarships including one award dedicated to a student who identifies as having a communication disorder or uses AAC.

Deadline: April 30.

ETFO (Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario) Scholarships and Bursaries

Financial incentives include bursaries for <u>members of</u> <u>designated groups</u> (Persons with a Disability, Racialized Group, First Nations, Métis and Inuit, or Two-Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Plus).

Award: Up to sixteen bursaries of up to \$625.

Deadline: April 30.

Export Development Canada (EDC)Scholarships

Award: Seven \$5,000 scholarships are awarded to community leaders <u>representing EDC's inclusive, diverse, and equitable workplace</u>. Twenty scholarships are awarded to International Business students.

Deadline: April 30.

Hydrocephalus Canada: Dr. E. Bruce Hendrick (EBH) National Scholarship

Award: \$5,000. **Deadline:** April 30.

Alliance for Equality of Blind Canadians (AEBC) Scholarship Program

Award: Four-six \$1,000 awards. **Deadline:** May 30, 1 p.m.

Lerners: Diversity & Inclusion Bursary & Mentorship Program

Candidates must be a member of Ontario's racialized community, i.e., Black, Indigenous or a Person of Colour.

Award: Two \$5,000 bursaries. Deadline in May in 2024.

Scotiabank Scholarships (apply on myBlueprint) Four scholarship themes including:

<u>Diversity Scholarship</u>: Open to students (16 years of age or older) in their final year of high school who self-identify under one or more of the following <u>equity-deserving groups</u>: Indigenous People, People with Disabilities, Black People, LGBT+ Communities, People of Colour, and/or Family Members of Veterans.

<u>Future Women Leaders Scholarship</u>: Open to students (16 years of age or older) in their final year of high school who <u>self-identify as 'woman', 'non-binary' or 'gender</u> non-conforming'.

Eligibility: See the eligibility criteria for each

scholarship.

Award: \$3,750 scholarships. Note: The scholarships are divided into four categories. There are four regions in each category (one region is Ontario). There is one winner from Ontario in each category.

Deadline: May 7.

Jean Lumb Awards

Open to outstanding students of Chinese heritage.

Award: \$1,000. Deadline: May 20.

Ontario Veterinary Medical Association (OVMA): Future Veterinarian Bursaries

Open to <u>equity-deserving students</u> who demonstrate financial need and a passion for veterinary medicine.

Award: Three \$1,000 bursaries.

Deadline: May 30.

Lupus Canada Scholarship

Award: Ten \$2,500 awards.

Deadline: May 31.

Spinal Cord Injury Canada Scholarships

Award: \$1,000-\$1,500. **Deadline:** May 31.

Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC) Scholarships

Equity Awards: Open to the members or dependents of members who self ID as a woman, Indigenous, person with a disability, racially visible or 2SLGBTQIA+. If you self-ID in one of these groups, indicate it on the application form.

Award: Five \$3,000 awards. Deadline in June in 2024.

*Search 2025 scholarship in the search bar for updated information.

Resolute Legal Disability Lawyers Scholarship

Open to students who have a parent or guardian who is unable to work due to a disability.

Award: Two \$2,500 scholarships.

Deadline: June 1 in 2024.

☑ Bloorview School Authority Bursary

Open to a student with a disability who attended Bloorview School Authority (formerly Bloorview MacMillan Centre) or was a client of Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital.

Award: Bursaries for up to \$9,000.

Deadline: June 4 in 2024.

Crohn's and Colitis Canada Abbvie IBD Scholarship

Award: Fifteen \$5,000 scholarships.

Deadline: June 9.

Ted Rogers Entrance Scholarship

Preference may be given to students from equity-deserving groups (Black, Indigenous Peoples, People of Colour, Persons with Disabilities, Women, 2SLGBTQ+).

Award: \$2,000.

Deadline: June 12 in 2024. OPEN to the first 800

 ${\bf SUBMITTED\ applications.}$

Unifor Scholarships

Award: Twenty-three awards are "distributed to best reflect the regional, sectoral, and membership diversity of

Unifor."

Deadline: June 14 in 2024.

UCBeyond Scholarships

Open to students who live with chronic inflammatory diseases (CIDs). These include (but aren't limited to) rheumatoid arthritis, psoriatic arthritis, ankylosing spondylitis and non-radiographic axial spondylarthritis.

Award: Eight scholarships for up to \$5,000.

Deadline: June 27.

Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) Scholarships

Award: \$250-\$8,000. **Deadline:** June 28.

Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario (LDAO): Roy Cooper Memorial Scholarship

Applicants must be pursuing a Bachelor of Engineering or a Bachelor of Science in a physical sciences discipline.

Award: One \$1,000 scholarship. **Deadline:** June 28 in 2024.

Autism Ontario: The David Conforti - Reach for the Stars Award

Award: One \$500 award. **Deadline:** June 30.

Required: Application form, two reference letters and a copy of the diagnosis from a medical/psychological

professional.

Canadian Council of Muslim Women (CCMW): Lila Fahlman Scholarships

Award: Three \$1,500 scholarships. **Deadline:** June 30 in 2024.

OTHER RESOURCES

- DisabilityAwards.ca
- Federal Student Work Experience Program
- Federation of Chinese Canadian Professionals (FCCP)
 Ontario Education Foundation
- Government of Ontario: OSAP for under-represented learners

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATES & REMINDERS (APRIL & MAY)

☑ Medavie Scholarship

Open to students between the ages of 17 and 25 who are living with a mental health challenge of their own or that of a family member and pursuing a health-related field of study at a university or community college.

Award: Ten \$7,000 scholarships; renewable.

Deadline: Opens in April 2025.

Air Cadet League of Canada (ACL) National Education Scholarships

Award: Varies.

Deadline: April 1. To apply, use the ACC64 Post-Secondary Scholarships Application Form.

Army Cadet League of Canada: (17.3) Young Citizens Foundation Scholarship Award

Amount: Various awards for up to \$5,000 to a Cadet from each of the three Cadets elements (Sea, Army, and Air Cadets)

Deadline: April 1 annually.

Royal Canadian Sea Cadets Education Foundation (RCSCEF) Scholarships

Award: Several \$1,000-\$5,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 1.

Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada (CHF Canada) Diversity Scholarships

Open to those who live in a CHFT member co-op and who are actively involved and *promoting diversity, equity* and inclusion in their community.

Award: \$5,000 over four years.

Deadline: PHCHF: April 14, 4 p.m. COCHF: April 4, 4 p.m. GHCHF: May 31, 4 p.m. CHASEO: June 30, 4 p.m.

ESET Cybersecurity Scholarship

- *Cybersecurity Trailblazer Award:* Two \$5,000 scholarships.
- Future Leader Award (NEW!): Five \$1,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 8.

☐ G3 Grow Beyond Scholarship

Award: Six \$5,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 9. OPEN To the first 125 SUBMITTED

applications.

(Students in the GTA) **BOLT Financial Awards**

Award: Several awards ranging from \$3,500 to \$5,500 depending on your program/training, and an annual financial award of \$3,000 for an eligible student enrolled in a program related to Sustainability and Renewable Energy.

Deadline: April 11, 9 p.m.

GeoTab's The Brandon Walli "Phones Down, Eyes Up" Memorial Scholarship

Open to students who are pursuing a post-secondary education in the arts, creative arts, or music.

Award: Three \$2,500 awards.

Deadline: April 11.

☐ Growmark Foundation Scholarships

Award: Fifty-five \$2,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 11.

Investintech--CAJ (Canadian Association of Journalists) Journalism Scholarship

Award: \$1,000, a free one-year membership with the CAJ, and one free pass to the CAJ National Annual

Conference in Calgary May 30-31.

Deadline: April 11.

Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada (CHF Canada) Diversity Scholarships

Open to those who live in a CHFT member co-op and who are actively involved and *promoting diversity, equity and inclusion* in their community.

Award: \$5,000 over four years.

Deadline: PHCHF: April 14, 4 p.m. COCHF: April 4, 4 p.m. GHCHF: May 31, 4 p.m. CHASEO: June 30, 4 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Canadian Undergraduate Scholarship

Award: Four \$1,500 scholarships renewable each year.

Deadline: April 15.

OSSTF (Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation)/FEESO: Federation Family Education Fund (FFEF) Bursaries

Award: Ten \$3,000 bursaries awarded through a lottery

process.

Deadline: April 15.

Ringette Ontario: Jackie Lajeunesse Scholarship

Award: Two \$1,000 awards.

Deadline: April 15.

ScotDance Canada: The Loree Martin Vellner Highland Dancing Scholarship

Award: One \$1,500 award.

Deadline: April 15.

Canadian Student Leadership Association (CSLA) Awards

Award: Twelve \$500 awards. The highest-ranking student leader will be awarded the Bill Conconi Award, a \$1000 bursary.

Deadline: April 18.

National Theatre School (NTS) of Canada / Dramafest Ontario: Ken and Ann Watts Memorial Foundation Scholarships

Award: Four \$3,000 scholarships and four \$1,500 bursaries. Also see the Wayne Fairhead New Play Award.

Deadline: April 18.

Libro Credit Union Student Awards

Award: Thirty-three \$2,000 awards.

Deadline: April 21 in 2024.

Generation Google Scholarships (North America)

Award: \$10,000 USD (for those studying in the US) or

\$5,000 CAD (for those studying in Canada).

Deadline: April 23 in 2024, or when 1,250 eligible

application responses are received.

Canadian Scholarship Trust Foundation (CSTF) Founders Awards

The applicant must be a CST beneficiary and demonstrate financial need. "Priority will be given to students who are the first generation in their family to attend post-secondary education."

Award: Fifteen \$7,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 25.

H&R Block Canada Future Finance Experts

Scholarship (apply on myBlueprint)

Award: Ten \$3,000 awards

Deadline: April 25.

OPSBA (Ontario Public School Boards' Association): Ontario Public Student Trustee Leadership Scholarship

Submissions from student trustees who represent the various dimensions of diversity are encouraged.

Award: Two \$500 scholarships.

Deadline: April 25.

Benson Kearley IFG SMAI (Students Making an Impact) Scholarships

Award: Five \$2,000 awards. **Deadline:** April 28 in 2024.

Ontario Aerospace Council Scholarships

Award: Five \$2,500 awards including the *Women in*

Aerospace Studies Scholarship.

Deadline: April 28.

Army Cadet League of Canada: (17.5) Colonel Commandants and National Presidents' Scholarship

Award: Five \$1,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 30.

Assumption Life Foundation Scholarships (Bursaries)

Award: Eight \$1,500 bursaries.

Deadline: April 30.

☑ Bayer Crop Science Opportunity Scholarship

Award: Twelve \$5,000 awards. **Deadline:** April 30, 1 p.m.

Canadian Agri-Business Education Foundation (CABEF) Scholarships

Award: Seven \$2,500 scholarships. One scholarship will be awarded in the provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Québec, the Atlantic Provinces as a whole, and one from British Columbia/Territories.

Deadline: Before 5 p.m. on April 30.

Canadian Propane Association (CPA) Scholarship & Bursary

- Wendell King Memorial Bursary: One \$2,500 award.

- Young Gassers CPA Student Scholarship: Four \$1,000—\$1,500 awards.

Deadline: April 30.

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto (CCAT) Awards & Scholarships

Nomination required by any community member, including staff or a volunteer of community agencies as well as a member of local groups and churches.

- *Michael Fullan Community Service Award*: One Community Service Award is for a child or youth up to 29 years of age who has shown commitment to serve a local community and made an impactful contribution to the community's wellbeing. \$1,000.
- The Sisters of Service Scholarship: Open to a recent immigrant or convention refugee to Canada who has obtained landed immigrant or permanent resident status over the past five years. \$5,000.

Deadline: April 30.

CWA Communications Workers of America: Joe Beirne Scholarships

Award: Sixteen \$4,000 USD scholarships. The winners, to be chosen by lottery drawing, also receive second-year scholarships for the same amount contingent upon satisfactory academic achievement.

Deadline: April 30.

ETFO (Elementary Teachers Federation of Ontario) Scholarships and Bursaries

Award: Various. **Deadline:** April 30.

Export Development Canada (EDC) Scholarships

Award: Seven \$5,000 scholarships are awarded to community leaders <u>representing EDC's inclusive, diverse, and equitable workplace</u>. Twenty scholarships are awarded to International Business students.

Deadline: April 30.

Foresters Financial Competitive Scholarship

Award: 400+ \$2,000 scholarships.

Deadline: April 30.

Masterfeeds Future Ag Master Program: Future Masterfeeder Scholarship

Award: One \$1,000 award.

Deadline: April 30.

Meridian's Commitment to Communities: Sean Jackson Scholarship

Award: One \$10,000 award.

Deadline: April 30.

National Police Federation Benevolent Foundation (NPFBF)

Sign in to Scholarship Partners Canada. Click on "Search for Public Scholarships."

for Public Scholarships."

Award: Five bursaries: \$2,500-\$5,000 for students pursuing jobs in a field related to, or in, Public Safety. See list of areas of study that are eligible for this award.

Deadline: April 30, 1 p.m.

OFSAA (Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations) Alumni Scholarships

Award: \$550 scholarships.

Deadline: April 30.

Ontario Provincial Police Youth Foundation (OPPYF) Bursary

Award: Two \$1,000 bursaries in each of the five OPP

Regions.

Deadline: April 30.

Pat Fletcher Scholarship

Award: Twenty-three awards for up to \$2,500.

Deadline: April 30.

Ringette Canada: Cara Brown Ringette Scholarship

Award: Two \$1,500 awards.

Deadline: April 30.

SMILE Foundation Bursary

Award: Ten \$1,000 bursaries. (Five recipients are in

Canada and five are in Jamaica.).

Deadline: April 30.

Softball Canada Ed Bitz Scholarship

Award: One \$1,000 award. **Deadline:** April 30.

☐ Teachers Life (Insurance Company)

Award: Eleven \$2,000 awards.

Deadline: April 30.



WORKPLACE SCHOLARSHIPS

Did you know that the workplace can be a great place to look for scholarships? Many corporations offer scholarships to employees and their family members as part of their employee benefits package. Ask your parents/guardians to check out their employee handbook, internal communications, or speak to the manager for more information. If they belong to a union, there may be scholarships available there as well. If you are working part-time, ask your manager about scholarships.

Leavitt Machinery (LM) Scholarship

Award: One \$500 scholarship.

Deadline: May 1.

FirstOntario Credit Union Education Awards

Award: Six \$1,000 awards.

Deadline: May 2.

Ilana and Steven Rubin Educational Scholarship

Award: One \$1,800 award.

Deadline: May 2.

TC Energy Scholarships

STEM, Indigenous Legacy, and Trades Scholarships **Award:** Approximately 180 scholarships for up to \$5,000.

Deadline: May 2, 11:59:59 p.m. PST. Note: These scholarships are available in Canada, the U.S., and Mexico. Please make sure you're on the correct country page when applying

Scotiabank Scholarships (apply on myBlueprint) Four scholarship themes:

Diversity, Financial Wellness, Future Women Leaders, and STEM.

Award: \$3,750 scholarships. Note: The scholarships are divided into four categories. There are four regions in each category (one region is Ontario). There is one winner

from Ontario in each category.

Deadline: May 7.

Canadian Angus Foundation: Dick Turner Memorial Scholarship

Award: One \$1,000 scholarship.

Deadline: May 15.

Canadian Parking Association (CPA) Scholarships

Award: Four \$2,000 scholarships. **Deadline:** May 15 in 2024.

Keith Gilmore Foundation (KGF): Future of the Breed Scholarship

Award: Four \$1,000 scholarships.

Deadline: May 15.

OMNI TV Scholarship

Award: Ten \$2,000 scholarships. **Deadline:** May 15, 1 p.m.

Municipal Engineers Association (MEA) Bursary Awards

Award: Ten \$1,500-\$2,000 awards.

Deadline: May 16.

☑ Dematic FIRST® Scholarship

Canadian students may apply.

Award: Twelve scholarships: Two \$5,000 Awards; ten

\$1,000 Awards. **Deadline:** May 18.

OHF (Ontario Hockey Federation) Scholarship

Award: Varies dependent upon funding.

Deadline: May 19 in 2024.

「☐ Jean Lumb Awards

Outstanding students of Chinese heritage.

Award: \$1,000. Deadline: May 20.

RCAF (Royal Canadian Air Force) Foundation Student Scholarship

Award: Seventy scholarships \$1,000-\$2,500. Some

renewable

Deadline: May 22 in 2024.

Sandra Schmirler Foundation: Spirit of Sandra Scholarships

Award: Six \$5,000 scholarships.

Deadline: May 23, noon.

☐ UFCW (United Food and Commercial Workers) Charity Foundation Scholarship

Award: Eight \$8,000 (\$2,000/year) scholarships.

Deadline: May 25.

Ontario Justice Education Network (OJEN): Bursaries for Grade 12 Students Pursuing Studies Toward a Career in Law

Award: Twenty-two \$1,000-\$1,500 bursaries.

Deadline: May 28, 5 p.m.

International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental and Reinforcing Iron Workers Union AFL-CIO (IW) Scholarships

- *John H. Lyons Sr. Scholarship*: Eighteen \$1,000 scholarships (renewable) and several one-time \$500 awards

- Eric S. Waterman Scholarship: \$5,000.

Deadline: May 30.

Army Cadet League of Canada: (17-4) Major Terence Whitty, CD, KCStG Memorial Bursary

Award: One \$1,000 bursary (reimbursements).

Deadline: May 31.

Christian Harness Horsemen's Association (CHHA) Scholarships

Two scholarships. **Deadline:** May 31.

Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada (CHF Canada) Diversity Scholarships

Open to those who live in a CHFT member co-op and who are actively involved and *promoting diversity, equity and inclusion* in their community.

Award: \$5,000 over four years.

Deadline: PHCHF: April 14, 4 p.m. COCHF: April 4, 4 p.m. GHCHF: May 31, 4 p.m. CHASEO: June 30, 4 p.m.

Emmy Duff Scholarship

Award: Nine \$2,000 scholarships. **Deadline:** May 31 in 2024.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Canada Youth Bursary Fund: The Louise Joanne Twerdy Leadership Bursary

Award: One \$10,000 bursary; additional \$5,000

bursaries.

Deadline: May 31.

Ontario Parks Association Foundation (OPAF) Scholarships & Bursaries

Award: Three \$1,000 scholarships and five \$2,000

bursaries.

Deadline: May 31.

Perimeter Institute: Luke Santi Memorial Award for Student Achievement

Award: One \$1,000 award.

Deadline: May 31.

Teamsters Canada Rail Conference (TCRC) National Bursary

Award: Twenty \$500 bursaries.

Deadline: May 31.

Use a calendar or Scholarship Tracker (<u>see here</u>) to list scholarships by application deadline. Note the requirements of each scholarship, e.g., transcript, recommendation letter, essay, etc.

JUNE DEADLINES

NOTE: Last year's deadline may be used until the website is updated. Keep checking the websites for the most current information.

Harness Horse Youth Foundation (HHYF) Scholarships

Canadian students are eligible to apply for these awards.

See each award for eligibility requirements.

Minimum grade/GPA: GPA of 2.5.

Award: Up to \$2,500. **Deadline:** June 1.

Inquiries: ellen@hhyf.org.

Ontario Professional Fire Fighters Association (OPFFA) Wayne DeMille Scholarship

Award: Five \$1,000 scholarships.

Deadline: June 1.

Required: Applicants must submit a Grade 12 transcript, proof of enrollment at a post-secondary institution/ program, a letter of reference and completed application

form.

Inquiries: rthiru@ontariofirefighters.org.

Ontario State Council Knights of Columbus: Ontario State Chaplains Bursary

Award: Five \$1,000 bursaries.

Deadline: June 1.

Required: Applicants must submit on their application an autobiographical statement containing a description of the applicant's educational objectives and his/her involvement in the parish/council/circle/community/school; A letter of recommendation from a principal; An official transcript of secondary school grades including, if applicable, midterm marks of the second semester of the final year.

Inquiries: stateoffice@ontariokofc.ca or

statetreasurer@ontariokofc.ca.

Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving (OSAID): Anna Pyles Memorial Scholarship

Award: Two \$500 awards. **Deadline:** June 1 in 2024.

Required: The application package should contain the student's letter of application including a detailed explanation of their work with OSAID and why they feel that they are a good candidate to receive a Scholarship; Principal or teacher's letter of support; Proof of OSAID

activity (photos, media, etc.). **Inquiries:** info@osaid.ca.

Ontario Teachers Insurance Plan (OTIP) Bursaries

Award: Thirty \$1,500 bursaries. Winners will be randomly drawn from all eligible entries.

Deadline: June 1.

Required: Applicants must enter their contact information as well as answer a mathematical skill testing question correctly ("Mandatory Information") before they can be entered into the Bursary Program and eligible to win a bursary.

Inquiries: bursary@otip.com.

Resolute Legal Disability Lawyers Scholarship

Open to students who have a parent or guardian who is

unable to work due to a disability. **Award:** Two \$2,500 scholarships.

Deadline: June 1 in 2024.

Required: Provide proof of enrolment document/

admission letter; short answer responses. **Inquiries:** support@resolutelegal.ca.

Cenovus Energy STEM Scholarship

Award: Up to forty \$5,000 scholarships.

Deadline: June 5 in 2024.

Hockey Eastern Ontario (HEO) Bursary

Award: \$500-\$2,000 bursaries. **Deadline:** June 7 in 2024.

Required: A completed application form; Copy of Christmas high school marks/first semester college or university mark; Copy of your post-secondary acceptance letter if graduating high school in 2025; Proof of address, i.e., copy of driver's license, and a letter explaining why you should be the recipient, your career aspirations and where you will be pursuing these interests.

Inquiries: hperreault@hockeyeasternontario.ca.

Curling Canada "For the Love of Curling Scholarship"

Award: Ten \$2,500 scholarships.

Deadline: June 9 in 2024. The application window opens

May 1.

Required: Academic transcript, volunteer and curling

contributions, and an essay.

Inquiries: brodie.bazinet@curling.ca.

OFFSA (Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations): Brian Maxwell Memorial Scholarship

Minimum grade/GPA: 80%.

Award: Six \$5,000 scholarships for three males and three

females.

Deadline: June 9.

Required: An application including a personal narrative stating why you feel you qualify for the scholarship (NOT exceeding 500 words), two letters of reference and the most recent report card and transcript; A summary of your OFSAA Participation; A summary of any other major athletic achievement(s).

Inquiries: brianmaxwellscholarship@gmail.com.

Preference may be given to <u>students from equity-deserving groups</u> (Black, Indigenous Peoples, People of Colour, Persons with Disabilities, Women, 2SLGBTQ+). Minimum grade/GPA: 70%.

Award: \$2,000.

Deadline: June 12 in 2024. OPEN to the first 800

SUBMITTED applications.

Christian Labour Association of Canada (CLAC) Scholarships

Award: \$1,500. **Deadline:** June 13.

Required: Applicants must submit a completed application form; a 250-word essay response; proof of enrolment in a postsecondary institution or a copy of their

acceptance letter.

Inquiries: scholarship@clac.ca.

[Golf Canada Foundation Scholarships

Award: Twelve \$1,500-\$5,500 awards.

Deadline: June 14 in 2024.

Required: At least one letter of reference from any of the following: your golf club official, schoolteacher, coach, provincial golf association official or national golf association official; a personal letter outlining your academic and golf achievements; transcripts including academic records from your last two school years; any other information regarding your golf achievements, academic achievements, or extra-curricular activities that may help the committee evaluate your application.

Inquiries: bfava@golfcanada.ca.

Opterus Rebel with a Cause Awards

Open to women between the ages of 18-26 enrolled/ who will enroll at a Canadian university or college. "The student we are looking to fund is pursuing a field of study that will help them in the future to create or contribute to a new mindset for a better world."

- Opterus Helen Rose STEM Award: Applicant must be pursuing an education in STEM (Science Technology,

Engineering, Math). Example programs: Nursing, Mathematics, Physics, Computer Science, BSc in Psychology, etc.

 Opterus Valerie Ann Arts Award: Applicant must be pursuing an education in the Arts. Example programs: Painting, Economics, BA in Psychology, History, Business, etc.

Award: \$10,000 each. **Deadline:** June 14 in 2024.

Required: The online application form must be completed including four short essay mandatory

questions.

Unifor Scholarships

Award: Twenty-three awards are "distributed to best reflect the regional, sectoral, and membership diversity of Unifor."

Deadline: June 14 in 2024.

Inquiries: scholarships@unifor.org.

Automotive Industries Association (AIA) Canada and the University of the Aftermarket Foundation (UofAF) Scholarship

Award: \$1,000. **Deadline:** June 15.

Required: The scholarship application along with an essay (at least 250 words in length, no longer than one page, double-spaced), a high school transcript, and letter or recommendation.

Inquiries: info@aiahighfivesforkids.ca.

Canadian Junior Angus Scholarships

Award: Three \$1.500-\$3,000 scholarships.

Deadline: June 15.

Required: An application that includes career plans, association involvement, extracurricular activities, and school history; a 1,000-word essay; two references; and a photo

Inquiries: bwagner@cdnangus.ca.

Canadian Society of Exploration Geophysicists (CSEG) Foundation: University Entrance Scholarship

Award: Two \$500 awards. One scholarship is awarded to a student who is enrolled in a science-based Canadian university program (not necessarily geophysics), and a second scholarship is awarded to children of CSEG members entering a Canadian university (no specialization required).

Deadline: June 15.

Inquiries: csegf.scholarships@shaw.ca.

Ontario Association of School Business Officials (OASBO) Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded for academic excellence, community involvement and demonstrated ability in a skilled trade.

Minimum grade/GPA: 85%. Award: Three \$3,000 scholarships.

Deadline: June 15 in 2024.

Required: A completed application, cover letter, certified Grade 12 transcript, letter of reference from a principal, resume, descriptions or photos of trade related projects and parent/sponsor information.

Inquiries: office@oasbo.org.

Progressive Automations Scholarships

Award: Two \$2,500 scholarships. **Deadline:** June 15 in 2024.

Required: A 700-word essay, detailing why they think they should receive this scholarship; describe or design an inventive project related to social responsibility; a headshot of yourself that may be featured on the website and social media.

Inquiries: orlaith@progressiveautomations.com.

Sobeys & Empire Scholarships

Minimum grade/GPA: 70%.

Award: Seventy \$1,500 scholarships.

Deadline: June 15.

Required: Proof of school enrollment; the most recent transcript, and the online program application form.

Inquiries: scholarships@sobeys.com.

Union of Taxation Employees (UTE) National Scholarships

Open to the children or grandchildren of members in good standing of the UTE.

Award: Ten \$1,500 Regional Scholarships and two

\$3,000 National Scholarships.

Deadline: June 15.

Required: Brief statements from two persons with whom you have worked during the past year, Proof of registration at the university, college or Institute of higher learning; a 500-700-word essay, or submission in an audio or video format of three–five minutes, or visual (painting, drawing, sculpture, or photograph) that would express your view on one of the four selected topics.

The following documents are available at your school:

- Spring College & University Open House Schedules
- Major Entrance Awards at Ontario Universities and Colleges
- Awards & Programs for Black Youth
- Awards & Programs for Indigenous Youth
- Awards & Programs for LGBTQ+ Youth

Contact your Guidance Counselor for access.



Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC) Scholarships

Award: Fourteen \$1,000–\$4,000 scholarships.

Deadline: June 25 in 2024. The 2025 program will reopen in April with new guidelines and application forms. **Required:** A 750- 850-word essay, YouTube video, infographic, song, or other creative submission which answers the current scholarship question. Any media must be original and not be more than fifteen minutes in

duration.

Inquiries: scholarships@psac-afpc.com.

Canadian Airborne Forces Association (CAFA) Scholarship

Award: One \$3,000 scholarship.

Deadline: June 30.

Required: Completed scholarship application, proof of acceptance at the proposed post-secondary and academic

transcripts.

Inquiries: Bruce Ewing at ewing 123456789@sympatico.ca.

Co-operative Housing Federation of Canada (CHF Canada) Diversity Scholarships

Open to those who live in a CHFT member co-op and who are actively involved and *promoting diversity, equity and inclusion* in their community.

Award: \$5,000 over four years.

Deadline: PHCHF: April 14, 4 p.m. COCHF: April 4, 4 p.m. GHCHF: May 31, 4 p.m. CHASEO: June 30, 4 p.m.

Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario (FWIO) Provincial Scholarship

Minimum grade/GPA: 85%. Award: One \$1,000 scholarship.

Deadline: June 30.

Required: A 750-word essay; three signed reference letters from community organizers and/or high school faculty (no more than two from the school); the latest

transcript for the current academic year.

Inquiries: fwio@fwio.on.ca.

Heritage Club Scholarships

Open to children or grandchildren of all dues-paying members of the Heritage Club.

Minimum grade/GPA: 75%.

Award: Three \$2,000 scholarships.

Deadline: Postmarked on or before June 30.

Required: Four hard copies of the application form; Proof of registration in a college or university; A transcript; two Letters of Reference; an essay (minimum

transcript; two Letters of Reference; an essay (minimum 300 words).

Inquiries: Eldred Holmes - holmese@nl.rogers.com.

Nature Canada: Charles Labatiuk Scholarship Award

Award: One \$1,000 award.

Deadline: June 30, 5 p.m.

Required: Application form including the essay (1,000

words max.).

Inquiries: info@naturecanada.ca.

Navy League of Canada: Rear-Admiral Fred Mifflin Memorial Scholarship

Award: One \$3,000 scholarship.

Deadline: June 30.

Required: Application, interim marks, official transcript of final marks, a resume, three reference letters and a

personal cover letter.

Inquiries: maritimeaffairs@navyleague.ca.

Ontario Credit Union Foundation (OCUF): CU ("See You") Succeed Youth Bursary

Minimum grade/GPA: 65%.

Award: Eighty-seven \$1,000-\$3,000 bursaries. **Deadline:** June 30. Applications open April 30.

Required: Application, two letters of reference, a 500-word essay or video, personal statement of special

circumstances.

Inquiries: info@ocuf.org.

Ontario Horticultural Trades Foundation (OTHF) Scholarships

Award: \$500-\$3,000 scholarships. See eligibility

requirements for each scholarship.

Deadline: June 30. **Inquiries:** info@ohtf.ca.

Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada (PIPSC): Legacy Foundation Scholarships

Open to the children or grandchildren of PIPSC regular or retired members in good standing (Rand deductees are not aligible)

Award: Thirty-nine \$1,000-5,000 scholarships.

Deadline: June 30 in 2024.

Required: Application, your most recent report card or transcript, a multi-paragraph statement detailing your leadership abilities and involvement in community service accompanied by at least two letters of reference; a multi-paragraph statement about your career goals, future education and why you are a good candidate for the scholarship program; and a 750-1,000-word essay.

Inquiries: scholarship@pipsc.ca

Russell Alexander Law Scholarship

Minimum grade/GPA: 80% Award: One \$2,500 scholarship.

Deadline: June 30.

Required: Application, academic transcript, resume, recommendation letter and a 1,000-word (max) essay.

Scouts Canada Scholarships

Award: \$6,000 scholarships.

Deadline: June 30 in 2024. The application period for the 2025 scholarship program will open in May 2025. **Required:** Application; statement, no more than 200 words, on the value of Scouting in their life; two letters of reference (only one from within Scouting), your resume, an official transcript of the previous year's marks, and a current report card/academic transcript.

Inquiries: scholarships@scouts.ca.

Ski Canada Foundation: Hugh Pomerov Scholarship

Deadline: June 30.

Required: Application; Proof of Enrolment.

Inquiries: Click here.

Shintani Wado Kai Karate Federation (SWKKF) Wado Kai Student Development Fund **Scholarships**

Award: Three \$1,000 scholarships.

Deadline: June 30.

Required: Application; letter of acceptance or proof of continuance in post-secondary program and official

transcript of grades.

Inquiries: scholarship@shintani.ca.

United Steelworkers (USW) Scholarships

Various scholarships which children or grandchildren of active or retired members of the USW may be eligible for. See specific eligibility requirements for each scholarship.

Award: \$500-\$1,500 scholarships. Deadline: June 30 in 2024.

Inquiries: info@usw.ca.

OPPORTUNITIES

Federation of Canadian Secondary Students / Fédération des élèves du secondaire au Canada (FCSS-FESC)

Applications are open for the position of Executive Director.

Deadline: April 21.

*Check for volunteer positions here.

McHaffie Junior Ambassador

The Junior Ambassador acts as a role model for youth and represents the members of the Canadian Junior Angus. This role is an opportunity to network with leaders in the agricultural industry and to learn from them. Applicants must be a member of Canadian Junior Angus and a Canadian citizen. Preference will be given to those with a strong connection to or history in Angus. Applicants must be at least 18 years old on opening day

of the Canadian Angus Association National Convention. Five finalists attend the National Convention in June and they receive up to \$750 in travel expenses. Finalists also receive a \$1,000 scholarship. The Junior Ambassador, chosen among the five finalists, will have the opportunity to attend at least one international event. Along with expected travels, they will be expected to submit articles for certain publications throughout their year of service. The Junior Ambassador role is a one-year position.

Deadline: April 30.

Summer Company (Government of Ontario)

Summer Company is an Ontario Government program for young people (ages 15-29) to start and run their own business by providing funding, advice, and services. If you are accepted into the program, you will receive \$1,500 to help with start-up costs, and \$1,500 at the completion of the program requirements. The general program deadline for applications is May 17. (There may be an earlier deadline for some local program providers. Students will be informed by their program provider when preparing their application.).

AWARDS

Canadian Angus Foundation: Junior Angus Stockman of the Year

Nomination required. Nominations must be submitted by a Canadian Angus Association member in good financial standing. (Members may nominate himself/ herself). Open to members of the Canadian Junior Angus Association, ages 16-21. The winner of the award will receive a \$5,000 bursary to be used for genetics, cattle supplies/equipment, training, etc., along with travel assistance to attend Showdown in Stettler, Alberta.

Deadline: April 15.

BGC Canada Youth of the Year

Six Club youth ages 15-21 who best showcase their achievements, service, and leadership to their Club, school, and community will be selected as Youth of the Year and Indigenous Youth of the Year. All six youth will receive media, leadership, and public speaking training. A second and final round of evaluation will take place to determine one final winner to receive special recognition as BGC Canada's National Youth of the Year. All six youth will be awarded their respective prizes, including scholarship funds for postsecondary education. Youth of the Year winners will make a 1.5-year commitment to serve as BGC ambassadors on a local and national level, which includes digital and in-person participation in speaking engagements, media interviews, and networking opportunities.

Deadline: May 2. Speak to your Club staff if you're interested in applying.

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EcoSchools Canada: EcoTeam Awards

Nominations are open to EcoTeams representing English and French K-12 in Canada, new or returning to the EcoSchools Canada program. EcoTeams are defined as a group of students and adults who work together to bring environmental learning and action to their school community.

EcoTeam awards:

- Elementary EcoTeam Award for K-8 schools.
- Secondary EcoTeam Award for 9-12 / K-12 schools. The winning school in each category will be awarded a \$5,000 prize to go towards an environmental project of their choice. Winning schools will also be awarded a sustainable EcoTeam Awards trophy and a special seal to share with their community.

Submission Deadline: May 9. Inquiries: programs@ecoschools.ca.

RBC/PEN Canada New Voices Award

Young unpublished writers (17 or over) may submit short stories, creative non-fiction, journalism, and poetry for a chance to win \$3,000 and mentorship from a Canadian author. Send all submissions to submissions@pencanada.ca.

Deadline: May 12.

Curling Canada: Fran Todd All Heart Award

Open to curling student-athletes who best demonstrate volunteer and community leadership to create meaningful change through sport.

Award: Ten \$2,500 awards. The successful applicants will be reimbursed for up to \$2,500 total in personal curling expenses and academic expenses.

Deadline: June 9 in 2024.

Inquiries: brodie.bazinet@curling.ca.



COMPETITIONS

Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes

Open to young people who are, on the April 15 deadline between the ages of 8 and 18, and permanent residents of and currently residing in the U.S.A. or Canada. They must be currently working on an inspiring service project or have done so within the past twelve months. Winners must have organized and led an extraordinary service activity which has clearly benefited other people or the planet we share. The service activity must have been initiated and motivated primarily by the winner himself or herself. The Barron Prize does not accept applications from large groups of young people. Winners may or may not have received recognition for their heroic work.

Prize: Twenty-five winners are awarded \$10,000 each to be applied to their higher education or to their service

project. Apply here.

Deadline: April 15, 5 p.m. MT.

Inquiries: Carolyn at admin@barronprize.org.

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Canadian National Brain Bee Competition

The 2025 Canadian National Brain Bee competition will be hosted in two exciting phases. Regional brain bee winners are invited to compete in the first phase, which will be held virtually on April 25. The top three competitors from the first phase will win travel and accommodation to compete in the second phase of the Canadian National: The Final Showdown. The Final Showdown will be held in person at the 2025 Canadian Association for Neurosciences annual meeting in Toronto May 23.

EcoSchools Canada & The Roberta Bondar Foundation: The Bondar Challenge

Open to entrants in three categories: ages 6-10, 11-14, and 15-18. The Bondar Challenge is an opportunity to learn about the art of photography and to discover new perspectives on nature through a camera lens. An eligible submission to the contest consists of two elements: a photograph and a written component. Each photograph must be an original taken by the students themselves. Competition rules here.

Deadline: May 9.

Inquiries: info@ecoschools.ca.

Amazon Future Engineer Events and Competitions: Your Voice is Power (YVIP)

YVIP is a national competition for middle and high school students designed to teach the fundamentals of computer science, entrepreneurship, and social justice. The Contest is open to any K-12 student living in Canada during the Entry Period. Using the EarSketch platform, students get

creative to remix songs from Indigenous artists and use what they have learned from the provided course outline. The songs should be between 30 seconds and 3 minutes, including five unique music tracks and one or more sound clips from the highlighted artists. Entries will be judged based on the quality of music, code, and inclusion of social justice themes.

Award: Two students will win \$5,000 to go towards college or to start a business and one teacher will receive \$1,000 CAD for remarkable instruction.

Entry deadline: June 30.

Electronic Recycling Association (ERA) Scholarship Competition

Come up with a marketing plan and collect e-waste in your area. "You will manage every detail from the planning and promoting to the execution! We want to see how creative students can get marketing the event and reaching out to your community and local businesses. After you have followed through with your collections, the team at ERA will evaluate your work after the deadline and pick the winner."

Award: Up to \$10,000 and a MACBook Pro.

Deadline: September 30.

CONTESTS

☐ G3 Grow Beyond Scholarship

Produce a creative one- to two- minute video responding to questions that outline your vision and planned contribution to the future of technology and innovation in Canada's agriculture sector. Your program of study can be in any field or discipline. "Public voting is a part of the selection so the more of your friends and family you share your video link with, the better your chances of being selected as a scholarship recipient."

Award: Six \$5,000 scholarships. An additional \$1,000 will be given to the winners' high school. Of those six entrance scholarships, four will be available to applicants from Western Canada (Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba and Saskatchewan) and two will be available to applicants from some of the remaining provinces (including Ontario) and territories.

Deadline: April 9, 1 p.m. Only 125 submitted applications will be accepted for review.

H&R Block Canada Future Finance Experts Scholarship Contest (apply on myBlueprint)

A contest in two phases. See "Rules and Regulations."

Award: Ten \$3,000 scholarships

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Deadline: April 25.

DUCK® BRANDStuck at Prom Scholarship Contest

Enter your one-of-a-kind prom dresses and tuxedos made almost entirely out of Duck Tape. A panel of judges will choose the top ten finalists—five from the dress category and five from the tux category. Online voters will have until June 25 to July 9 to select their favorite designs, helping to award the Grand Prize Dress and Grand Prize Tux winners \$15,000 each. The eight runners-up will each receive \$1,000 and Duck brand prize packs worth \$100. Three of the eight runners up will receive an additional \$1,000 in specific categories.

Submit your entry by noon on June 4. If under 18, parental permission is required.

ESSAY CONTESTS

International Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (IWSH) Foundation Scholarship Essay Contest

Open to a current high school senior; or a student in an accredited technical school, community college, trade school, apprentice program; or an undergraduate enrolled in a four-year accredited college or university. International students are welcome to enter. The student must submit an essay (800-1,600 words) on a given topic. **Prizes:** One first-place winner will receive \$2,000. Three

Prizes: One first-place winner will receive \$2,000. The second-place winners will receive \$1,000.

Deadline: April 30, 11:59 p.m. PT.

Ontario Ancestors Student Essay Competitions: The Dr. Don Brearley Genealogical Essay Prize

Open to students in Grades 11 and 12.

Required: An essay (1,000-5,000 words) on a topic from

within family history.

Award: \$500 and publication in Families.

Deadline: May 1, 5 p.m.

Fraser Institute Student Essay Contest

There is no limit on the number of authors on one essay. **Award:** \$250-\$1,500 in the High School category. **Required:** A 1,000-1,500-word essay: "What would the Essential Scholars say about Canadian economic prosperity today?"

Deadline: June 5.

University of Toronto's Department of Philosophy – The Aristotle: a high school philosophy essay contest

Open to anyone enrolled in a Canadian high school at or below the Grade 12 level (or equivalent).

Required: An essay of no more than 1200 words that develops and defends a position taken in response to one of three questions.

Prizes: \$300-\$500. Deadline: June 16.

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TRAVEL & EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

Experiences Canada

<u>In-person exchanges</u>: Experiences Canada offers youth exchanges for participants ages 12-18 years old with groups of ten to thirty youth. Various themes are available including language, sports, music, history. All group travel costs are covered.

Government of Canada: Official Languages Programs (OLP)

Explore: An intensive, government-funded immersion program offered during the spring and summer in locations across the country. The sessions are taught at accredited institutions, and students (ages 13-15, 16-17, 18+) live on campus or with local host families.

Cost: Explore is funded by the Government of Canada allowing most participants to fully engage in the program.



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