#### Grad Board and School Awards 2020-2021

# Please note that there may be further updates throughout the year as information becomes available.

Go to the following link for applications for graduation awards. Most students are eligible for awards. Read the criteria and apply for this possibility of free money towards your goals!

Most deadlines are in April and May. Applications need to be submitted to Student Services.

**Grad Board Awards** 

# **Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)**

https://www.ontario.ca/page/osap-ontario-student-assistance-program OSAP provides students with financial support through grants, bursaries and loans. The amount of loan is based on financial need. All students are encouraged to apply in order to have access to the grants and bursary portion. Students with a disability (physical, learning disability, etc.) qualify for larger grants and are encouraged to declare this on their OSAP application.

Students do not need to wait to accept an offer at an institution before beginning their OSAP application. There is also a useful estimator aid to help estimate the overall amount of financial assistance for which they would qualify.

# Scholarships/Bursaries/Financial Assistance

Financial planning for post-secondary is essential for overall success in transitioning beyond high school. There are many options for students and young adults to gain access to funding and find support in reaching their educational and career goals.

## Scholarships/Awards/Bursaries

- No need to repay these funds
- Awarded based on a variety of criteria: academics, financial need, community involvement, leadership
- Some require an application while others are awarded automatically
- Available through the school board, community, external organizations
- Create a file and you can easily adjust each application
- Reference letters are often required give enough time for your reference to be completed and provide the criteria

# Research - External Scholarships/Awards/Bursaries - 2020-2021

NEW a website (<a href="https://scholartree.ca/">https://scholartree.ca/</a>) that helps students find and apply for scholarships. Help reduce your student debt. Scholar Tree streamlines the scholarship process; all you have to do is create a simple profile and based on the information provided (including school, field of interest, volunteer experience etc.) Scholar Tree will match you to all of the scholarships for which you qualify.

Check out <u>disabilityawards.ca</u> - a database created for post secondary students to search hundreds of scholarships available across Canada for students with a variety of disabilities.

yconic.com research for scholarships, awards and bursaries

scholarshipscanada.com create a profile and search matching scholarships

www.canlearn.ca government site for education savings and planning

http://www.osca.ca Ontario School Counsellor's Association - student section on financial planning

Research the post secondary institutions you are planning on attending - they will offer scholarships specific to your program choices

# **List of External Scholarships**

These will be updated throughout the year as information is provided.

<u>Loran Scholarship - 2020-21</u>

Deadline: Oct. 9th, 2020 (for school sponsored applicants)- see Student Services

Oct. 22nd, 2020 (for direct pool applicants)

More info: <a href="http://www.loranscholar.ca/becoming-a-scholar/">http://www.loranscholar.ca/becoming-a-scholar/</a>

Eligibility: Minimum average of 85%, Canadian citizen or permanent resident

# Queen's Chancellor Scholarship - 2020-2021

Student must be nominated by the school - only one nominee from our school. See Student Services by **November 18th** if interested in applying. There will be an internal school deadline and application to select a school candidate.

More info at:

https://www.gueensu.ca/studentawards/admission-awards/major-admission-awards

Eligibility: Superior academic achievement, proven creative and original thinking, leadership

STEM Schulich Leader Scholarship 2020-2021 is a prestigious award for students applying to Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics programs at 20 Partner universities. Criteria includes academic excellence, leadership and financial need. Learn more at SchulichLeaders.com. One student per school can be nominated for this award. Please see Ms. Stewart in Student Services by Dec. 1st if interested in applying.

## Horatio Alger Canadian Scholarship Program - 2020-21

Deadline: Oct. 26th, 2020

More info: www.horatioalger.ca/en/scholarships

Eligibility: Pursuing university in Fall of 2021, demonstrates financial need, involved in

extracurricular activities and community activities, has at least a 65% average, be a Canadian

citizen

# **Donald R. Sobey Family Scholarships**

Deadline: January 15, 2021

More info: donaldsobeyfamilyscholarships.ca

Eligibility: Attending University of King's College Halifax and entering their Foundation Year

Program.

## TD Scholarship for Community Leadership 2020-2021

Deadline is TBD.

More info at:

https://www.td.com/ca/en/personal-banking/solutions/student-advice/how-to-apply-for-td-scholar ships/ or see Student Services

Eligibility: Minimum average of 75% and extensive demonstration of Community Leadership

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#### **Steam Horizon Awards 2019-2020**

The STEAM Horizon Awards recipients will have inspiring achievements in the fields of science, technology, engineering, arts, and math. These achievements could be formally recognized – a science fair win, a published app, a patented invention, etc. or they could be less formally recognized – the founding of a local coding club, developing a course for kids, or creating a local interactive art installation. Regardless of the accomplishment, it must reflect passion and illustrate a positive impact on the community.

More info at steamhorizonawards.ca

Deadline in January 2021.

Eligibility:

- Must be a Canadian citizen, or permanent resident of Canada
- Must be between 16 and 18 years old at the time of application
- Must be recognized for STEAM-related accomplishments in a formal or informal way
- Must be maintaining a minimum academic average of 85%
- Must either be preparing to enroll in Fall 2018, or currently enrolled, in their first year of post-secondary education. The enrolment must be in a STEAM field in Canada.

#### **Father Ted Colleton Scholarship**

Deadline: TBD

More info: Write a 1200 word essay analyzing a film or documentary that deals with sensitive

material regarding pregnancy and abortion.

Three prizes of \$1500 (1st), \$800 (2nd) and \$500 (3rd) respectively will be awarded. Essays

can be emailed to dirocco@theinterim.com

Eligibility: All students in grade 11 or 12, attending a Canadian high school.

# **Terry Fox Humanitarian Award**

Deadline: February 1, 2021

More info: https://terryfoxawards.ca/apply/

\$28,000 given over 4 years.

- provide three (3) referees
- upload online an (un)official transcript detailing the applicant's last two years of schooling
- Referees will be emailed a link requesting they complete an online Referee Form on behalf of the applicant.

# Eligibility:

- In good academic standing.
- Canadian citizens or landed immigrants.
- Students graduating from secondary (high) school or students
- Involved in voluntary humanitarian activities (for which they have not been compensated).

Planning to or are already studying towards their first university degree or diploma at a Canadian post-secondary institution.

Zonta Club of Ottawa 2020-21 has two award opportunities for young women. Go to www.zontaottawa.ca for more info and applications. Information is also available in Student Services.

#### 1) Jean M. Coon Humanitarian Award

Deadline: TBD

Criteria: Excellence in community service

#### 2) Young Women in Public Affairs Award

Deadline: TBD

Criteria:

Active commitment to volunteerism

Experience in local government, student government or workplace

leadership

Knowledge of Zonta international and its programs

# Ilana and Steven Rubin Scholarship

Deadline is TBD and the full application form is available here.

Valued at \$1800

Criteria: attending a post-secondary institution

B average

Financial need & qualifies for OSAP or equivalent

For more information, please visit <u>our website</u>, or contact the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation at **foundation@jewishottawa.com**, or 613-798-4696, ext. 252.

# Meridian's Commitment Sean Jackson Scholarship

Deadline is TBD (usually in April ) and the online application form can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

Valued at \$10 000

Criteria: entering post-secondary in 2019

academic achievement and excellence

Community volunteerism or innovative solutions to social/environmental issues

## Ottawa Community Housing Educational Bursary

Deadline: Open

More info:

http://ochfoundation.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/2019-Educational-Bursary-Application-FINAL.pdf

Eligibility:

- Be a registered household member in an OCH community prior to submitting the application.
- Be registered for a post-secondary program.
- · Must demonstrate financial need.

# 2021 Indigenous Student Awards Program

Deadline: February 28, 2021

More info: <a href="https://www.gotoapply.ca/RBC">www.gotoapply.ca/RBC</a>

Eligibility: Awarded to Indigenous students attending post secondary institutions. Based on personal and academic achievements, and financial need. Could receive up to \$4000/year.

# 2021 Black Canadian Scholarship Fund

Deadline: TBD

More info: <a href="https://www.ocf-fco.ca/grant-programs/black-canadian-scholarship-fund/">https://www.ocf-fco.ca/grant-programs/black-canadian-scholarship-fund/</a>

Eligibility: Awarded to a black Canadian student graduating from high school in Ottawa with a minimum average of 75% (top 6 grade 11 or 12 level courses). Must be a Canadian Citizen, admitted at a recognized Canadian university, demonstrate financial need and have demonstrated leadership in community service and volunteer activities. Valued at \$6000.