



BRITISH
COLUMBIA
Ministry of Education

APPLICATION PACKAGE - District/Authority Scholarship

Application Deadline: Friday, April 25th 3:05 pm to your counsellor in hardcopy. No lates. No exceptions. Applications received after April 25th, 2025 will not be accepted or considered.

About the Scholarship

The District/Authority scholarship is awarded to 5,500 high school graduates who have demonstrated excellence in their chosen area.

The Ministry of Education sets basic eligibility requirements and general guidelines; local scholarship committees determine awarding criteria and select their conditional recipients.

The Ministry confirms that the selected students have satisfied basic criteria and then sends these confirmed recipients a \$1,250 scholarship voucher that they can redeem with the Ministry of Education after they are attending a [designated post-secondary institution](#) or B.C. [authorized trades training provider](#).

Students have five years to [redeem](#) their District/Authority scholarship vouchers; an expiry date is printed on each voucher and extensions are not possible.

Key Dates

- Spring: conditional recipients notified by their district/authority
- September: conditional recipients checked against eligibility requirements.
- November: paper scholarship vouchers mailed to confirmed recipients.

Eligibility requirements

Students selected as conditional recipients of the District/Authority scholarship must satisfy the following requirements **by August 31 of their graduating year** to be confirmed as a recipient and receive their scholarship voucher:

- meet basic eligibility requirements.
 - Be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident (landed immigrant) at the time of registration in the school year for which the scholarship is awarded
 - Be a B.C. resident.
 - Be or have been in the school year for which the scholarship is awarded:
 - Enrolled in a British Columbia public school (including Distributed Learning schools), or
 - Enrolled in a Group 1, 2, or 4 British Columbia Independent School, or
 - Enrolled in a Continuing Education Centre, or
 - Registered with a public, independent, francophone or distributed learning school in B.C. as a [homeschooled child](#)
 - Be graduating (by August 31) in the same year the scholarship is awarded
- fulfill the graduation requirements of either the [B.C. Certificate of Graduation](#) (Dogwood Diploma) or the [B.C. Adult Graduation Diploma](#) (Adult Dogwood); and,
- meet criteria determined by the student's local scholarship committee, including demonstration of outstanding achievement in one of the areas listed on the next page.

Area of Interest	Examples
Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies	Business, Home Economics, Media Arts, Technology, Tourism
Community Service (Volunteer Activity)	Includes awareness of local, global, and cultural issues
Fine Arts	Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Arts
Indigenous Languages and Culture	Demonstrated at school or in the community
Languages	External Assessments or Languages Curriculum, including AP and IB courses
Physical Activity (And Health)	Athletics, Dance, Gymnastics
Technical and Trades Training	Coding, Culinary Arts, Mechanics, Robotics, Woodwork

*****Please note: if you are applying for multiple areas of interest, you must fill out multiple applications (one application per area of interest).**

How to apply:

Complete the application and hand it in to Caitlin Davie by April 25, 2025.

- Section 1-Personal Information
- Section 2-Post-Secondary Plans
- Section 3-Selected Area of Interest
- Section 4-Course Work and Extracurricular Activities Related to Area of Interest
- Section 5-Evidence of Achievement
- Section 6-References

1) Personal Information

Full Legal Name _____

Preferred Name (if applicable) _____

Date of Birth (month/day/year) _____

Personal Education Number (PEN) _____

Address _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

High school that you will graduate from _____

I am a Canadian Citizen ☐ I am a permanent resident (landed immigrant) ☐

Note: Under the Income Tax Act, the Ministry of Education must issue scholarship recipients a T4A for the taxation year in which the scholarship cheque is issued. When redeeming a scholarship, recipients will need to provide a Social Insurance Number {SIN} for this purpose. Temporary S/Ns, beginning with '9', cannot be accepted.

2) Post-Secondary Plans

For which post-secondary program(s) do you plan to apply?

What are your long-term career plans?

3) Area of Interest

Please check the **one** area you are applying under (submit separate application if wanting to apply in more than one area)

- ☐ Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies
- ☐ Community Service (Volunteer Activity)
- ☐ Fine Arts
- ☐ Indigenous Languages and Culture
- ☐ Languages
- ☐ Physical Activity (and Health)
- ☐ Technical and Trades Training

4) Course work and extracurricular activities related to your area of interest.

Grade 11 and 12 Courses	Teacher/Sponsor
Extracurricular Activities	Teacher/Sponsor

5) Evidence of Achievement

Students must provide evidence of outstanding achievement in their chosen area. **Please attach a one-page statement that describes your achievements.**

6) References

Please list two teachers and/or community members who can attest to your achievements in your chosen area.

Name _____ Position _____ Relationship to you _____

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Applicant signature _____

Date signed _____