



GRAD 2024

VSS SCHOLARSHIP AND POST SECONDARY PRESENTATION

BASIC GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

80 Credits from grade 10, 11 & 12

16 Credits MUST BE Gr.12 Courses

28 Elective Credits (Non Required Courses)

4 Fine Arts OR Applied Skills Credit



NEW!!!!

**1 Indigenous Studies
Course**

Lit Exam (10/12)

Numeracy Exam (10)

***Each course is equal to 4 credits**

PLEASE CHECK YOUR TRANSCRIPT TO ENSURE YOU HAVE ALL OF THESE REQUIREMENTS MET

There are 52 credits (13 courses) required for Graduation:

Career-Life Education (4 credits)

Career-Life Connections (4 credits)

Physical and Health Education 10 (4 credits)

Science 10 (4 credits) and Science 11 or 12 (4 credits)

Social Studies 10 (4 credits) and Social Studies 11 or 12 (4 credits)

A Math 10 (4 credits) and A Math 11 or 12 (4 credits)

An English 10, 11 and a required 12 (12 credits total)

Fine Arts Education 10, 11, or 12 or Applied Skills, 10, 11, or 12 (4 credits total)

There are 28 credits (7 courses) elective courses required for Graduation

These are any courses other than required courses

Students must also Complete these assessments:

The Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment

The Grade 10 Literacy Assessment

***If you have not completed your Numeracy/Literacy Assessment, you will be contacted by VSS and a date will be set up for you to do so**

Lifeguard

Cadets

External Credits

**Drivers
Ed.**

Provincial/National Teams

**If you are involved in activities outside of school,
you may qualify for external Credits!**

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/graduation/getting-credit-to-graduate/external-credentials>

After Graduation

What should we do after we graduate ?



YOUR OPTIONS ARE ENDLESS!

Post –Secondary ~



Trade School, Tech School, Armed Forces, College, University, Etc.!

Work Force ~
Get a job!



Travel ~

Explore a place/Country you want to Visit!

Gap year ~

This is a term Used when students plan to do other activities prior to going to Post-Secondary School (Travel, Work etc)



Other ~

Follow your Passion and chase your dreams!
The WORLD is yours!!

Please Remember....

YOU DON'T HAVE TO HAVE IT ALL FIGURED OUT!!

Simply Ask yourself....

“What am I doing Next Year?”



The Following are a few sites
We HIGHLY recommend
you explore!





Employment Services Centre
<http://www.workbc.ca/Pages/Home.aspx>

This site provides info on....

Career Exploration

Career Profiles
A Day in the Life
Skills Assessments
Be Your Own Boss

Statistics

Demographics
B.C. Economy
Labour Market
Regional Statistics
Labour Market Snapshots

Jobs

Find Jobs
Job Search Tools
WorkBC Centres
Employer Index
Specialized Population Groups

Education & Training

Start Your Career
Post-Secondary Education
Upgrade Skills
Finance Your Education
Employment Programs

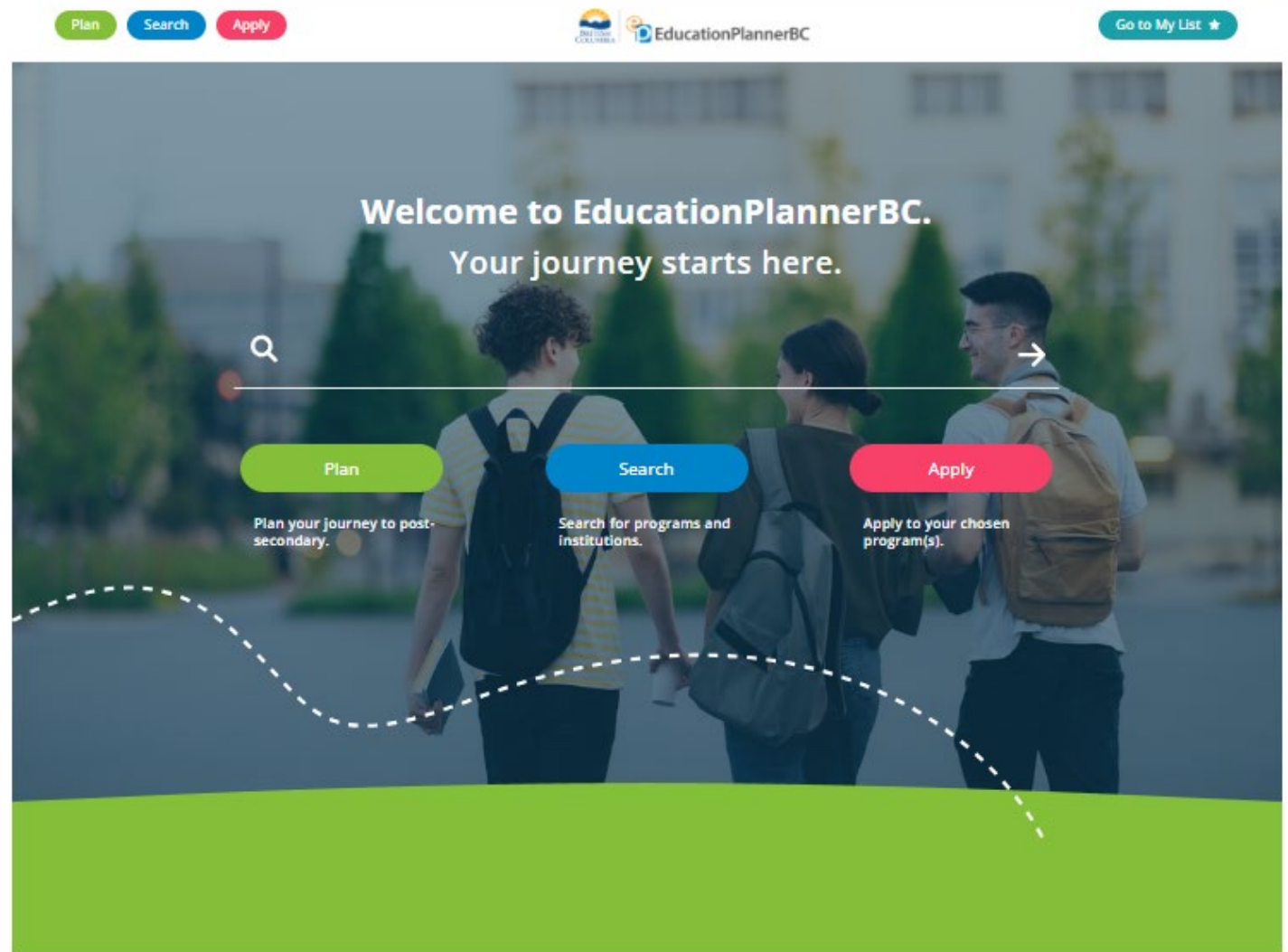
Education Planner

Check this site **FIRST!**

BC Central Application

Admission Requirements

Job opportunity



GET STARTED

Create an account

Sign up for a free EducationPlannerBC account and apply to any of B.C.'s 25 public post-secondary institutions.

Create an account →

KEEP EXPLORING

Sign in

Already have an account? Sign in to your account and pick up where you left off. When you're ready, apply for admission!

Sign in →

SAVE & COMPARE

My List

Add programs to My List to easily compare tuition, length, and location. View your favourites side-by-side all in one place.

My List →

All of the resources you need

EducationPlannerBC provides you with the tools to plan, search, and apply to public post-secondary

**There are MANY Post-Secondary
Opportunities in BC**

Over 1 900 Programs

11 Universities (98 in Canada)

11 Colleges (69 in Canada)

3 Technical Institutes





How Do you
Decide
Between
College and
University??



Many Colleges offer the same courses/programs as Universities!

Do your research and know the facts Before making a decision!

There are Many Pros to attending College

Tuition is significantly lower

You can live at Home (If attending Local Colleges)

Class sizes are Smaller

It resembles your High School Experience More so than University

Post-Secondary Entrance Facts

Each PSI Has Specific Entrance Requirements

Each Faculty / Program Also Has Entrance Requirements

Each PSI Sets Their Own **Minimum** Grade/Average for Entrance

Each Year The Minimum GPA Needed For Entrance Changes

*GPA Needed for Acceptance is a Moving Target which is why you need to strive to have the highest marks you can in your courses required for entrance!

* Many students who only meet the minimum requirements for Entrance are **NOT** accepted as students with higher marks get in first

It is your Responsibility to Visit your PSI Website for specific Info!

Examples Of LOWEST Average Accepted INTO Associate/Bachelor Of Arts

UVIC

75%

UBC

87.5%

UBCO

75%

Okanagan College

60%



- **Engineering - 75%▲**
- **Arts - 75%▲**
- **Fine Arts - 67 % ▲**
- **Human Kinetics - 75%▲**
- **Management - 75%▲**
- **Nursing - 80%▲**
- **Pre-Pharmacy - 75%▲**
- **Science - 75%▲**



UVIC Recommendation

Business	80%↑
Engineering	78%↑
Fine Arts	67+%
Humanities	74%↑
Science	78%↑
Social Sciences	75%↑

Universities will contact you directly with Offers

You will be granted a "Conditional Offer/Acceptance"
(until you have officially graduated)

Offers usually come in between March-July

*Do not worry if you haven't received an offer but
your friends have.

Unless you have received the
"sorry to inform you....."Letter your application is
Still under review.

ONLINE COURSES

Many PSI request that online courses are completed Semester 1 or early Spring

It is YOUR responsibility to show Proof of Registration/Completion to your PSI

*Often VSS is not given this info until a Later date

How to Determine Your Grade Point Average

G.P. A. (AVERAGE) Is Calculated by Using

English 12 and other University admissible courses

This average is what establishes your RANK among other applicants

***Elective courses NOT required for entrance will be omitted when Calculating your Average**

How Do I Apply for College or University??



APPLY NOW

Most Provinces Have a Centralized System

Centralized System



applyalberta
Alberta Post-Secondary Application System

 Ontario Universities'
Application Centre



APPLY NOW
**THE COMMON
APPLICATION**
For Undergraduate College Admission

ALL PSI HAVE An Online Application Process

It is Recommended to Apply to a Minimum of 2 Schools

- Keep your options open
- Programs can be VERY competitive
- Applications require a fee for processing which is non-refundable
(credit card, prepaid credit card, cheque or in person payment)

What do I need to apply

Demographic information

- Name, address, phone number, etc.

Personal Ministry of Education Number

- Social Insurance Number *(tax receipt)*
 - Grade 10 and 11 Marks (Transcript)

CREDIT CARD!

How To Submit Transcripts To A Post-Secondary Institution

1. Create a BCEID

<https://www.bceid.ca/>

2. Follow the steps on the Ministry
Site to have your Transcripts released

Watch This

[Registering for a BCeID](#)



StudentTranscripts Service

StudentTranscripts Service (STS) is an online application for students to view their school marks, scholarships and transcript, and send transcripts electronically.



**View grades
and assessment
results**



**Order and send
transcript to
post-secondary
institutions**



**View transcript
order, status
and history**



**Order and send
transcript to
employers**



**View BC
scholarships
awarded, expiry
and redemption
status**

Watch This HOW TO Video



How to order / send a transcript to a
Post –Secondary Institution - YouTube

Applying For Student Loans

- You Must have applied to, and been accepted into your program
- Application available to full-time students
 - ▣ ONLINE application begin in June 2024

<https://studentaidbc.ca/>



How Are Student Loans Calculated?



Amount Varies based On...

- ▣ Student & Parental contribution (Need)
- ▣ Cost/Length of program

A Weekly maximum of \$320

OR

\$8960 for a 1 year For College/University

*Lifetime Max of 50,000

<https://studentaidbc.ca/>

Scholarships

Please fill out this application as completely and as accurately as possible. Applicant information may be delayed or discontinued. You may apply for up to three scholarships.

UNIVERSITY STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(1) Fairview Club S.B. Davis Student Admission

Name of Scholarship(s) for which you are applying

Other financial aid expected/applying for _____

Area of intended study or vocational goal _____

You are: ☐ Current student ☐ High school senior ☐ Out of state

You will take classes: ☐ Fall ☐ Spring ☐ Out of state

Resident status: ☐ In-district ☐ Out of district

Applicant's Last name _____ First _____

State _____

Work phone (____) _____

Social Security No. _____

(Optional - US citizen?) _____

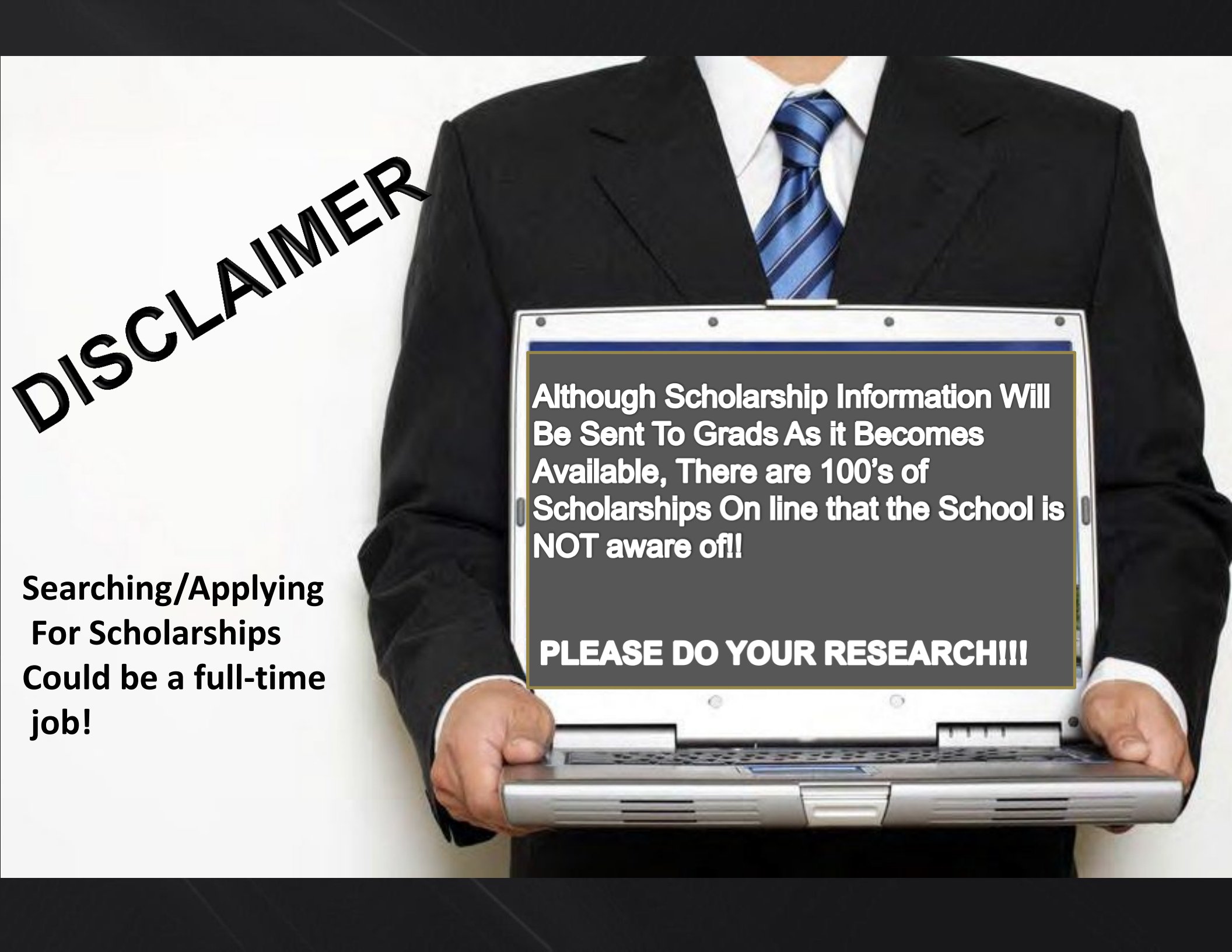
Gender _____

Credit hours earned _____

Anticipated graduation date _____

Information _____

GED Student _____

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DISCLAIMER

**Although Scholarship Information Will
Be Sent To Grads As it Becomes
Available, There are 100's of
Scholarships On line that the School is
NOT aware of!!**

PLEASE DO YOUR RESEARCH!!!

**Searching/Applying
For Scholarships
Could be a full-time
job!**

Various Types of Financial Acknowledgment

Award: Is given in recognition of **outstanding achievement**. May be in the form of books, plaques, or monetary reward.

Bursary: A non-repayable grant of money bursaries are awarded primarily **based on financial need**, but academic achievement is also considered. Usually the applicant must provide detailed documentation describing their financial situation when applying for a bursary

Scholarship: A non-repayable sum of money awarded to a student to help finance further education. Most scholarships are **based on merit** in areas ranging from academic achievement to athletics. Usually scholarships are not based on financial need.

Entrance Award/Scholarship: A scholarship or award given to a student entering his/her first year at a post-secondary institution. Also referred to as an **Admission Award** which is offered by the Post Secondary Institution.

In-course Award/Scholarship: Awarded to students already enrolled in post-secondary studies, beyond the first year level.

International/National

**Post Secondary
Entrance**

**Ministry of Education &
Child Care**

SD22 Local

**District Project
Scholarship**

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National / International/Provincial

- EXTREMELY Competitive
- Numerous Applicants → Few Recipients
- Grades plus factors specific to the organization
 - *(humanitarian service/ innovator/leader)*
- Applications are comprehensive, often requiring reference letters, nominations, essays and transcripts

Example: Loran Scholarship over 5000++ applicants
36 Recipients

College / University Entrance Scholarships (March-July)

Institution specific and based on
Grades, Letters of
Involvement/Leadership
Volunteer



Application Process

1. An application form must be completed

or

2. Automatic Consideration
when you apply



The BC Ministry of Education Offers the Following....

BC Excellence Award	Top 55	\$5000.00
BC Achievement	Top 8000	\$1250.00
Pathway To Teacher Education	Top 20	\$5000.00

BC Excellence Award

Awarded to the top 55 Grads in BC

\$5000.00

Community service, volunteer activity, and/or leadership role

“B” average (Grades 11 and 12) in required courses

Must Submit:

- Resume

- Two references letters

- Written statement (maximum 500 words)

BC Achievement Scholarships \$1250.00

Awarded to the **top 8000 B.C. grads** with the highest cumulative average of ALL courses

The Ministry will determine recipients based on students' achievement in **Grades 10, 11, and 12** courses that satisfy graduation program requirements (including elective courses).

A student can receive only one BC Achievement Scholarship in their lifetime.

The Ministry will mail this Scholarship directly to students by October of their Grad year (2024)

Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarship

- ▣ awarded to 20 outstanding high school graduates who's career path is K-12 teaching.
- ▣ \$5000 Tuition Scholarship
- ▣ A student cannot win both a Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarship and a BC Excellence Scholarship.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/scholarships/provincial-scholarships/pathway-to-teacher-education-scholarship>

School District /Local Scholarships

Recipients are Determined by ;

1. SD#22 District Selection committee
2. Representatives from the Business/organization/Donor
3. VSS School Committee
(Teachers, Admin, Counsellors)



Factors considered in selection:

Grades, Community Service, Affiliation,
Acceptance to post secondary, Volunteer,
Leadership

School District #22 Local Scholarships

FACTS~

Scholarships/ Bursary/ Awards are offered to SD#22 students by Local Organizations

Applications for these scholarships open March 2024

Applications Must be completed Online

You will only have 2 weeks to complete the online application

Ms Glinsbockel will give a Presentation in February to explain this process....PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAILS

District Project Based Scholarship



- Opportunity to recognize student achievement in a specific area of interest
- Numerous \$1250 awards are presented
*15 VSS Students Won last year!
- Applications To be completed Online
- Application Deadline is the end of November

Showcase Event in April 2024

First meeting held the Beginning of November
Please see Mrs Decker for further info!

District Project Based Scholarship Categories

- **Fine Arts**

- e.g., Visual Arts, Dance, Drama, Music

- **Applied Skills**

- e.g., Business Ed, Technology Ed, Home Economics

- **Physical Activity**

- e.g., Athletics, Dance, Gymnastics, not limited to Physical Education

- **Second Languages including Aboriginal Languages**

- **Community Service**

- **Volunteer Activity**

- **Technical and Trades Training**

- e.g., Carpentry, Automotive, Mechanics, Cook Training



District/Authority Scholarships will consist of PSI vouchers only.

Secondary School Apprenticeship Scholarship

\$1000

- ▣ automatic consideration for the award.
- ▣ Must have completed the SD#22 Apprenticeship
- ▣ This student will be a Graduate
- ▣ Maintained a C+ average on Grade 12 numbered courses
- ▣ Reported a total of at least 900 hours to the ITA by December 31st of the year the student turns 19

<http://www.sd22.bc.ca/Programs/career/apprenticeship/Pages/default.aspx>

Scholarship Timeline

1. National [REDACTED]

On line, highly competitive

2. Provincial (Sept '15 –Sept '16)

On line, competition is against BC students

3. Local/Community [REDACTED]

On line Application, your School Counsellor will call a meeting to explain application process

Post Secondary Entrance [REDACTED]

Offered by PSI, Schools NOT part of the selection process

5. District Project Scholarship [REDACTED]

April 2022

Projects Must Be Based on Courses Taken At Your School

Tips for Scholarships

Some Scholarships already have applications available, but the Majority of Scholarships are posted after Christmas

Most Scholarships are due between Feb – April

Important that your resume is current

Important that you have letters of reference to support your application(s)

Important that you **PAY ATTENTION to deadlines.**

<https://www.lrsd.net/schools/CB/AboutUs/Documents/SCHOLARSHIP%20APPLICATION%20TIPS.pdf>

Important Scholarship Factors To Consider

Year of Study (entrance, first year, final year, graduate)

Special Circumstances (visual impairment, orphan, etc.)

Financial Need

Academic Average (GPA)

Heritage (Aboriginal, German, Polish, etc.)

Field of Study (the program you're interested or currently in)

Affiliation (companies, religious groups, unions, and associations, that you or your family are affiliated with)

Activities (sports, religious, academic, leadership, community involvement, etc.)

Location (where you live and go to school)

Tips For Reference Letters

Consider carefully which teachers (or community person) from whom you may need a reference letter

The person you ask should know you **VERY** well so that they can write a meaningful letter. Their title is not as important as their ability to reference personally about you and your strengths.

You **MUST** supply your reference with a copy of your resume

You **MUST** allow your reference at least 2 weeks to write the letter

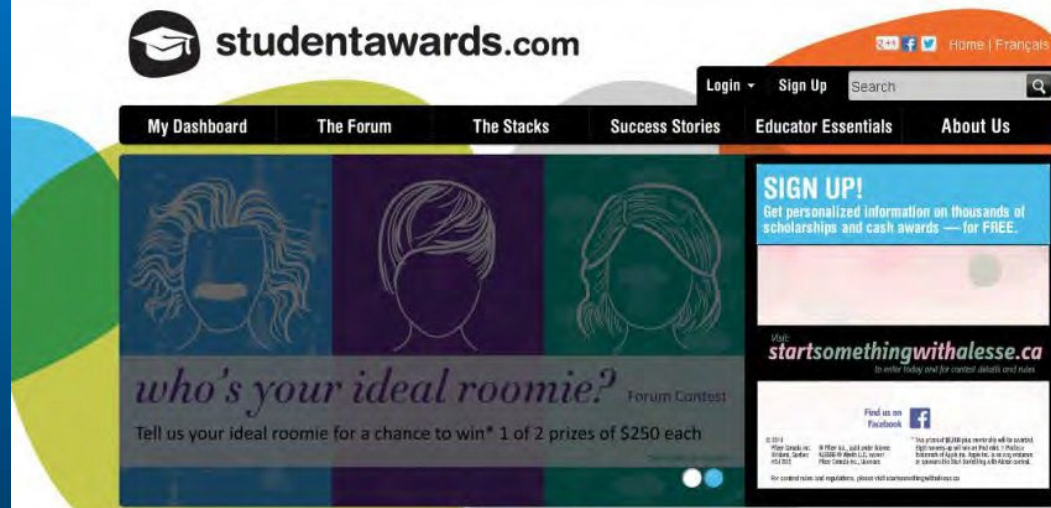
If you would like their letter for multiple applications, request that they print several copies for you at the same time

They may request that the letter remains confidential in which case it will be placed in your file but multiple copies will not be made

Please **DO NOT** request a letter unless you intend to use it

REQUEST YOUR LETTER **WELL IN ADVANCE** OF YOUR DEADLINE

Create an Account



StudentAwards.com

Provide Info about yourself

SCHOLARSHIPS CANADA.com

77,744 awards worth \$167,627,971

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JOIN NOW FOR FREE!

SCHOLARSHIPS AREN'T
JUST FOR BRAINIACS

9 out of 10 scholarships
don't EVEN require grades!

GET STARTED

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FEATURED SCHOLARSHIPS

Study and Go Abroad Fair
Scholarships
Amount: \$1,000
School of Study: Any School
Deadline: September 28, 2013

Canada's Luckiest Student 2
Amount: \$30,000
School of Study: Any School
Deadline: January 23, 2014

The Morehead-Cain Scholarship for
Canadian Students
Amount: \$114,061
School of Study: The University of North
Carolina at Chapel Hill
Deadline: October 14, 2013
M.A. Entrance Award

ScholarshipsCanada.com

Helpful Info On this Site!

[Scholarships \(VSS Page\)](#)



SCHOLARSHIP

MYTHBUSTERS

I have to be a great writer to earn a scholarship

- More important **WHAT** you write than how well it is written.
- It is important that you meet the Criteria of the scholarship
- **Follow the instructions and address the essay question**

If I'm A Top Academic Student Then I will Get a Scholarship

Often times you will be given a Local scholarship

BUT

Few Students Get Full Scholarships

- Always explore other options available
 - ~ Ministry of Education bursaries
 - ~ Student loans
 - ~ Get a Job!

I should apply to as many scholarships as possible to Increase My Chances

TRUE... But

You should only apply for scholarships that:

1. You meet the criteria for
2. Would be well suited for
3. You have a good chance of winning

Only Honour Roll Students get scholarships

Grades are very important

However, grades are *only 1 way*
by Which_students are measured and evaluated.

Many Scholarships look at Several Aspects, NOT
just marks!

**I need to have a lot of
extracurricular / volunteer**

It's about quality, not quantity.

Most Recipients are devoted to a Specific
number of activities in a chosen Area

BE THE CHANGE

**VOLUNTEER &
MAKE THE DIFFERENCE**



VERNON & DISTRICT

Volunteer Bureau



Tel: **250.545.0585**
Email: volunteerbureau@noees.com



Bee a Volunteer

Opportunities

How To Become a Volunteer

Agencies We Work With

How To Recruit Volunteers

About Us

<http://www.VolunteerVernon.ca/>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Animal Care (2)

Arts and Culture (2)

Children and Youth (3)

Committees and Board Members (4)

Computers and Technology (4)

Crafts (2)

Crime Prevention (1)

Job Board help needed at NOEES



The North Okanagan Employment Enhancement Society is looking for a Job Board Maintenance Coordinator to volunteer 1 to 2 hours per week (anytime Monday to Friday 9:30am to 3pm). The Job Board Maintenance Coordinator will search company websites for job postings that aren't otherwise posted in newspapers and on job boards, format postings into a Word document, print and post on job board, as well as removing out-dated postings. This is for the benefit of program participants who are looking for work. For more information on NOEES, please visit www.noees.com.

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Vernon & District
Volunteer Bureau



Volunteers needed at the Upper Room Mission



The Upper Room Mission is looking for many people to volunteer in the following positions:

Helpful Websites

www.studentawards.com

www.schoolfinder.com

www.scholarshipscanada.com

www.youthcanada.ca

www.achievebc.ca

www.pas.bc.ca/resources/financial.htm (apply online)

www.edupass.org (for U.S. bound students)

You Can Also Follow Many of These on Twitter

www.studentscholarships.org

www.bcscholarships.ca

www.ammsa.com

www.nursingscholarships.ca

www.nupge.ca/scholarships

www.engineeringscholarships.ca

www.listofscholarships.ca

Association of Universities & Colleges of Canada www.aucc.ca

BC School Sports www.bcschoolsports.ca

Canada Student Loan www.canlearn.ca

Canadian Association of Principals www.cdnprincipals.org/AWARDS.htm

Canadian Hospitality Foundation www.chfscholarships.com

Loran Awards www.loranawards.ca

www.yconic.com

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~Make An Appointment to See us!

