

Public Sector Scholarships & Bursaries Links

[StudentAid BC](#)

Helps BC students with the cost of post-secondary education through student loans, grants, and scholarships. Has programs that help with loan repayment. Online services include;

- Apply for a student loan
- Check your application status
- Apply for in-study payment-free status

[Provincial Tuition Waiver Program](#)

To be eligible for the Provincial Tuition Waiver Program, students must be:

- Studying full- or part-time at the undergraduate level at a B.C. public post-secondary institution, the Native Education College, or an approved union-based trades training provider;
- Adopted through the B.C. Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) or Indigenous Child and Family Service Agency (ICFSA);
- Formerly in the B.C. Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction Child in Home of Relative Program;
- Formerly in any B.C. MCFD or ICFSA Legal Status (either while living in B.C. or while placed by MCFD or an ICFSA on an Interprovincial Placement Agreement [IPPA]) at the time you turn(ed) 19 or for at least 24 months (730 days) (consecutive or accumulated in any combination).

[Canada Student Aid and Education Planning](#)

Government of Canada site where students can:

- Apply for student grants and loans;
- Manage their loans at the National Student Loans Service Centre;
- Repay their student loans;
- Learn about and apply for apprentice loans and grants;
- View eligibility details of merit-based scholarships for undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral studies;
- Learn about Indigenous Services Canada (ISC)'s distinctions-based strategies that support First Nations, Inuit and Métis Nation students pursuing post-secondary education;
- Learn about and apply for student aid while they're serving in the military on reserve;

- Learn about and apply for student aid as a protected person;
- Learn about and apply for student aid as a high-performance Canadian athlete who is preparing for and participating in international sport.

[Canada Apprentice Loan Service Centre \(CALSC\)](#)

The Government of Canada is committed to supporting registered apprentices throughout their training. The Canada Apprentice Loan can help students get the money they need to achieve their goals. Learn about this loan and apply as an eligible registered apprentice. Students may qualify for up to \$4,000 per period of technical training, for up to 5 periods. Plus, apprentices will enjoy a payment-free status for up to 6 years, as long as they remain registered in a Red Seal designated program. To be eligible, students must meet all of these criteria:

- be a Canadian Citizen, Permanent Resident, or Protected Person;
- be registered in a Red Seal Trade apprenticeship program that is designated by the province or territory where they are registered as an apprentice;
- be enrolled in block release technical training or the equivalent full-time technical training with an approved technical training provider; and
- pass a credit check (required if they are applying for the first time).

[International Scholarships](#)

Government of Canada site that provides information about funding resources for both international students wanting to study in Canada and Canadian students who may wish to study abroad. Learn about and apply for international scholarships offered by Canadian governments, foreign governments, non-governmental organizations and international organizations.

[Aboriginal Learning Links](#)

Learn about and apply for scholarships and bursaries that are available to Indigenous students.

[BC School Superintendents Association](#)

Annual regional scholarships for students planning to pursue post-secondary studies. One recipient will be chosen from each of the six BCSSA provincial chapters (Fraser Valley, Kootenay-Boundary, Metro, Vancouver Island, Northern, Thompson/Okanagan). Each recipient will be awarded a \$1,000 Scholarship. Students applying must be currently

enrolled in their final year of studies at a public secondary school in British Columbia and are expected to graduate in June of their last year of study. **Application deadline is before noon April 16, 2024.**

[BC Excellence Scholarship](#)

Closed for 2024. Scholarship to recognize well-rounded BC graduates who have demonstrated service and leadership, both at school and in their communities. One person may be nominated from each school. **Deadline to apply is February 14, 2024.** Please let someone in the Nomination Committee (Principal, Vice Principal, Teacher or School Counsellor) know that you'd like to apply by Jan. 15.

[BC Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarships](#)

Awarded to 20 outstanding high school graduates who have demonstrated a commitment and aptitude for a career path in K-12 teaching. Students selected for this award receive a \$5,000 scholarship voucher from the Ministry of Education and Child Care that they can use to be reimbursed for tuition paid after they are attending an approved teacher education program in the Faculty of Education at a B.C. post-secondary institution. To qualify, the program must lead to eligibility to apply for a B.C. teaching certificate and teach in the K-12 school system in this province. **Application deadline is February 14/24.**

[BC District/Authority Scholarships](#)

Scholarships of \$1250 to recognize graduating BC students for excellence in their chosen area of interest or strength.

- Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies (i.e. Business, Home Economics, Media Arts, Technology, Tourism)
- Community Service (Volunteer Activity including awareness of local, global, and cultural issues)
- Fine Arts (i.e. 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 (i.e. Athletics, Dance, Gymnastics)

- Technical and Trades Training (i.e. Coding, Culinary Arts, Mechanics, Robotics, Woodwork)

If you would like to apply please click [here](#).

Applications are due by midnight on Mar. 14/24.

[Coast Capital Education Awards](#)

Apply to get access to the education and training needed for the jobs of the future. Coast Capital is working with:

- Indspire (There is one application for all of Indspire's bursaries and scholarships with a few exceptions. You only need to complete the application once to be considered for all applicable bursaries and scholarships. September 2023 to August 2024 academic year. **Deadlines: August 1, November 1, February 1 at 11:59 p.m. EST.** [Click here to apply](#));
- The Credit Union Foundation of BC (The Credit Union Foundation of BC was established by BC credit unions in 1958 to support our members in their journey through post-secondary education. The CUFBC has three application periods each year: **Winter: January 1 – February 15; Spring: May 1 – June 15; Fall: September 1 – October 15. Only online applications will be accepted. Our winter application period is open from January 1 to February 15.** [Click here to apply](#))
- Simon Fraser University (The Coast Capital Rudy Nielsen Award is to recognize an undergraduate student registered in the Centre for Accessible Learning within any faculty. [Click here to search, learn about and apply for this and many other SFU student awards](#))
- The Foundry Work & Education program
 - Three \$5,000 awards available
 - These awards support individuals who have faced or continue to face adversity and are demonstrating a commitment to continuing their education. Examples of adversity

may include, facing challenges like poverty, health issues, family issues, personal loss, racial discrimination, or lack of supports (ex. individuals who are, or who have been, in government care etc.).

- Coast Capital Bursaries - Multiple \$1,000-2,000 awards available. Foundry centres offering the Foundry Work & Education Program will be eligible to offer 3 – 6 youth a \$1000-\$2000 bursary.

Eligibility: To be eligible to receive one of the Coast Capital Education Awards or Bursaries above, youth must be:

- Currently participating in the Foundry Work & Education Program
- A Canadian citizen or permanent resident;
- A resident in BC for at least six months;
- 24 years of age or younger;
- For Education Awards (only)
 - Planning to achieve adult graduation diploma or starting/resuming post-secondary education from an accredited Canadian university, college, or technical school in the 2023/2024 school year;
- For Bursaries – Planning to pursue any type of studies to further educational/ career goals.
- *Individuals who have delayed starting or are resuming their post-secondary studies/Adult

Graduation diploma are welcome to apply.

- Timeline
 - All applications open: May 17, 2023
 - Education Award application closed: June 30, 2023
- The Youth Futures Education Fund (The Youth Futures Education Fund provides living expenses to youth who have transitioned to adulthood from government care and are attending a post-secondary institution on a tuition waiver. Contact your post-secondary institution to see if you're eligible).
- The Coast Capital Road to Red Seal Program to offer Education Awards (provides apprentices with wrap around supports to help their progression to trade qualification and Red Seal certification. Supports may include tutoring, essential skills work, use of assistive technology and interpretive services as needed. [Click here to go to the webpage](#) and see the "Grants & Funding" tab for details on the awards available)

[BC Arts Council Scholarship Program](#)

Provides funding of up to \$6,000 per year to outstanding passionate BC residents attending full-time studies in a fine-arts diploma or degree program at a recognized college, university, institution or academy, in any country. These scholarships are very competitive and are intended only for those who intend to make a career out of their chosen fine art. **Applications open in March and the deadline is April 30, 2024.**

[Bursary from the Official Languages program from the Ministry of Education](#)

Bursaries to encourage Francophone and French as a Second Language students to continue their education in French. Several bursaries are available for post-secondary education and professional development for French teachers (Criteria: Taking post-secondary courses at an accredited Canadian post-secondary institution; in a full-time certificate, diploma, bachelor's, or graduate studies; taking 55%+ of classes in French. You may be eligible for the Bursary for Students – Post-secondary Education in French). \$625 per semester. \$1250 per bursary year. Up to \$5000 total per student available. **Deadline to apply is Feb. 28, 2024.**

Private Sector Scholarships & Bursaries Links

[BC Tech Scholarships](#)

Grants to students who have a passion for technology and are pursuing post-secondary education in Engineering, Computer Science, Entrepreneurship, Biotech, Cleantech, IT & Applied Technology, Business & Technology Management, Product Management, Digital Media, and other tech programs. **Opens Feb. 21, 2024.**

[ScholarshipsCanada](#)

A database of scholarships, student awards and bursaries available to students. In-person presentations on finding and applying for scholarships i.e. February 29 - March 2, 2024 in Vancouver, Montreal, and Toronto, don't miss our ScholarshipsCanada presentation at the SchoolFinder/Study and Go Abroad Fairs!

[Student Awards](#)

A searchable database that helps you sort scholarship opportunities by province, school, award value, difficulty, level of study and more.

[Disability Awards](#)

This website, created by the National Educational Association of Disabled Students (NEADS), was created to help post-secondary students search hundreds of scholarships available across Canada specifically for students with disabilities. **The NEADS 2024 Winter Financial Assistance Program is open for applications until Friday, February 16, 2024 at 5pm PT, Pacific time.** The goal of this program is to encourage full access to

post-secondary education for persons living with disabilities, who often have higher costs and greater barriers to participation in higher education. [Click here](#) to learn more about the Financial Assistance Program and to apply to the NEADS 2024 Winter Financial Assistance Program.

[Loran Scholars Foundation](#)

Closed for 2024. Largest and most comprehensive four-year undergraduate award (valued at \$100,000) to young Canadians on the basis of character, service and the promise of leadership. Criteria for Grade 12 Students:

- Be entering university for the first time in September 2025.
- Present a minimum cumulative average of 85%.
- Hold Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status.
- Be born between January 1, 2003 and September 1, 2009.

Renewable for up to four years, with a total value of more than \$100,000, each Loran Award includes:

- An annual stipend of \$11,000
- A tuition waiver of up to \$11,000 annually from one of 25 partner universities
- Personal mentorship from a Canadian leader
- Experiential learning through summer work experiences in three different sectors with funding up to \$14,000
- An orientation expedition through Algonquin Park
- Annual retreats and scholar gatherings
- Lifelong membership in a community of values-driven individuals
- We also grant up to 124 Finalist and Provincial/Territorial Awards to promising candidates who are not selected as Loran Scholars. [Read more](#) about our different awards.

Our application process takes place annually in September/October. Shortlisted candidates are notified at least one week before their semi-final interview date.

There is no limit to the number of applicants from a single school.

Our committees review all applications and invite shortlisted candidates to submit supplemental videos. From these ~500 shortlisted candidates,

approximately 250 semi-finalists will be invited to [online interviews](#). These interviews are an opportunity for semi-finalists to connect with one another, meet the local leaders who serve as our interviewers, and gain valuable interview experience.

After semi-final interviews, our committees invite outstanding semi-finalists to participate in our national interviews. Our committees also grant Provincial & Territorial Awards (\$2,000 each) and honour citations to semi-finalists who distinguish themselves at the semi-final level.

The Loran Scholars Foundation is committed to diversity and inclusion and welcomes applications from all qualified candidates. If you require accommodation in the application process, please reach out to info@loranscholar.ca.

Please note: the deliberations of our selection committees are confidential. All decisions are final and not eligible for appeal.

[Horatio Alger Association of Canada](#)

The Horatio Alger Association of Canada provides \$1.68 million annually in need-based scholarship support for deserving students in all Canadian provinces and territories.

Scholarships of up to \$10,000 are awarded to full-time grade 11 high school students with financial need (family income under \$65,000) who have demonstrated integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, a commitment to pursue a post-secondary education, a desire to contribute to society, and a good academic record.

To be eligible to apply for the Horatio Alger Scholarships of Canada, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a current Grade 11 student with plans to graduate from high school and enter university in Fall 2025.
- Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree program at an accredited university
- Prove critical financial need (\$65,000 or less annual net income per family is required)
- Demonstrate desire and ability to be entrepreneurial in a chosen field

- Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities
- Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity
- Maintain a minimum grade percentage of 70
- Attend high school (or CEGEP) and reside in Canada
- Be Canadian citizens

The undergraduate application for current Grade 11 students is now open from December 1, 2023 through March 15, 2024 at 12:00 PM EST (The VTE application deadline has been extended for students in British Columbia because it will not open until March 15, 2024).

[Irving K. Barber BC Scholarship Society](#)

Provides scholarships and awards to BC students to assist them with the completion of their post-secondary studies. Scholarship categories include transfer, international, Indigenous, women in tech and transition awards for those who have completed a minimum of two Adult Basic Education courses at a BC public post-secondary institution and are planning to enroll in full-time post-secondary studies.

Program reopens for applications in March of 2024.

[Canadian Mental Health Association of BC](#)

CMHA BC helps people who live with mental illness or addictions further their pursuit of post-secondary education through their scholarship and bursary programs.

Several awards are available each year to BC post-secondary students. Applicants may only apply for one of the awards listed below in a given year. Only electronic submissions will be accepted.

- Lorne Fraser Scholarship for Mental Health Promotion (Scholarships worth \$1000 and \$2000 are available to two BC post-secondary students entering the second, third, or fourth year of an undergraduate program, or any stage of a graduate program, whose education and career goals are related to mental health promotion).
- Lorne Fraser Educational Bursary (Several \$700 bursaries are available to students for the tuition costs of a post-secondary education at an accredited BC institution).
- Mental Health Fine Arts Bursary (FAB) Award (Two \$1,000 bursaries for BC post-secondary students over the age of 18

with lived experience, who are pursuing fine arts and have accessed therapeutic support/mental health services).

- Janice Lee Blue Wave Youth Bursary (Two \$700 bursaries are available for BC post-secondary students under the age of 20 who have experienced a significant mental health or substance use challenge).
- Andre Courtemanche Green Ribbon Scholarship (One \$1000 scholarship is available to first or second year BC students who have lived or living experience with mental health challenges, who are enrolled in either post-secondary trades programs i.e. carpentry, cooking, welding or post-secondary programs relating to fitness, nutrition and the outdoors i.e. sport management, natural sciences).

The next application period will be open late Spring/early Summer 2024. Please check back then.

[Schulich Leader Scholarships](#)

Closed for 2024. Schulich Leader Scholarships are Canada's most coveted undergraduate STEM scholarships. One hundred are awarded to entrepreneurial-minded high school graduates enrolling in a Science, Technology, Engineering or Math program at 20 partner universities across Canada. Half are valued at \$120,000 for engineering scholarships and half are valued at \$100,000* for science and math scholarships. Every high school in Canada can nominate one graduating student each year to apply for the scholarship.

Key dates: January 30, 2024 - High school submits nominee. February 20, 2024 - Nominee submits scholarship application. March 7 - June 15, 2024 - Universities make offers.

[RE/MAX Quest for Excellence Scholarship](#)

RE/MAX Canada is offering this cash scholarship program which recognizes graduating high school students for their ongoing community contributions and pursuit of leadership. There are 40 scholarships of \$1,000 each available to students across Canada (except for Quebec). Criteria: Participants must be a Grade 12 student attending high school in Canada in the 2023/2024 academic year. Participants must not have previously participated in a commencement ceremony.

Deadline to apply is Mar. 13, 2024.

[Electronic Recycling Association Scholarships](#)

The Electronic Recycling Association (ERA) is excited to announce the return of two scholarship opportunities! **The competition runs from January 1st, 2024 to September 1st, 2024** giving you plenty of time to see how many donated devices you can collect.

\$1 Million Dollar scholarship – Collect 1 million laptops and smartphones (suitable for donation) Canada-wide, and win.

\$100K Dollar scholarship for collecting 100K approved devices

People can ship their items at no charge to ERA, using ERA's shipping labels, get the items picked up for free from their homes by FedEx, UPS, Canada Post, or direct from an ERA truck if in the appropriate location. Non-approved items will be accepted, but only with a small fee. Items collected that pay the fees will also be counted towards the scholarship count totals.

Accepted Items for both Scholarships:

laptops

tablets

smartphones

desktop computers

retro gaming consoles and computers, handheld gaming devices

corporate computer equipment

servers, switches, business routers

scientific equipment

How to collect items:

Get individuals and businesses to download the ERA App iOs or Android or website form. Enter scholarship ID [Scholarship+ Your Name] in the Reference Code field of the Shipping label. ERA will collect items from homes and businesses on your behalf at no charge for approved items.

Non-approved items will be accepted for a fee, but will still count towards the scholarship totals if the fees are paid. (credit card e-transfer, etc)

Organize corporate pickups on behalf of ERA, collecting computers for donations to our list of 500+ charities and nonprofits. ERA will pick up 20 or more computing devices from any company Canada-wide, and offer hard drive destruction for any amount of hard drives contained in the computing devices. 100 devices, 100 hard drives shredded at no charge.

Organize community events or collection events for computers and electronics
Rules and Guidelines

The competition is open to students who reside within Canada.

You may enter the competition on January 1st, 2024, and final results need to be in by September 1st, 2024.

No purchase is necessary to enter the competition. ERA will announce the winners of this scholarship in October 2024 on our social media platforms and website (subject to change).

ERA will contact the winners of this scholarship. If the winner does not answer within a week they will be disqualified.

If you win the competition, you will be tagged in all communication related to the scholarship.

If you enter, ERA will own the rights to all marketing material submitted and can use these marketing materials as they wish. This includes any social media accounts you create for the 2024 ERA scholarship competition. Passwords for these accounts must be turned over to ERA at the end of the competition or you will be disqualified.

[Rotary Club of Campbell River Awards and Bursaries](#)

Campbell River Rotary Club offers awards and bursaries. Bursaries will be awarded on the basis of need and the availability of funds. Scholarships will be based on scholastic abilities and needs.

Deadline to apply is June 15, 2024.

[Campbell River Daybreak Rotary Trades Bursary](#)

All students who will be graduating from a Campbell River area highschool in 2024, are encouraged to apply if they are heading on to post-secondary education – whether that be vocational, college, university, or other form of education.

Please note these awards are based primarily on the premise of 'Service Above Self'. The requested transcript provides the committee with a sense of course choices / commitment to school.

Last year 8 scholarships were presented and we encourage students to apply, service is more important than academics. This year there are two major scholarships and multiple minor scholarships available:

- Community Service Excellence Scholarship (The winner will be a student who has volunteered in the Campbell River Community to make a difference. Other

forms of Service such as leadership experiences in school, international service, as well as connection to a Campbell River Rotary Club, will be considered when making our selection.

- Service Above Self Scholarship (The Service Above Self Scholarship will recognize a student who has and continues to demonstrate exemplary humanitarian service in their school and/or community activities with an emphasis on personal volunteer efforts and active involvement in helping others. The student by their action exemplifies the Rotary model of “Service Above Self” through his or her contributions to the community and future potential to further the Rotary mission).

Applications must be completed and picked up by 2:00 p.m. April 8, 2024 from the school’s counselling center. If you have any questions, please contact Shawn Cowan at sstcowan@shaw.ca

[BC School Sports Scholarships](#)

Application Deadline for these scholarships:
May 3, 2024 at 4pm

Dave Gifford Memorial & BCSS Zone Scholarship

*only one application for consideration of both scholarships

Overview & Criteria

To qualify for one of the BCSS Scholarships, the applicant must:

- Be enrolled in and participated in a minimum of one BCSS Sanctioned Sport at a BCSS Member School during their grade 12 year for the Zone scholarship and participated in at least two sanctioned BCSS sports during their grade 12 year to be considered for the Dave Gifford Memorial Scholarship.
- Be graduating this year and will be entering their first year of full-time studies at an “Accredited Post-Secondary Institution”.
- Have demonstrated exceptional athletic achievement in a BCSS activity and, have a minimum grade percentage of 75%.

- Have demonstrated outstanding service and leadership in school and/or community.
- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or person to whom refugee protection has been confirmed under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act.

Scholarship Amounts:

Dave Gifford Memorial Scholarship:

- Two (2) \$1500 scholarships will be awarded to the top male and female from across the province.

BCSS Zone Scholarships:

- Two (2) \$750 scholarships will be awarded for each BCSS athletic zone to one male and one female.

Bert & Greta Quartermaine Badminton Scholarship

Overview & Criteria

Provided by Bert & Greta Quartermaine, and is dedicated to assisting worthy BC School Sports student-athletes competing in badminton at the high school level in their desire to attend an Accredited Post-Secondary school.

This Scholarship rewards excellence in both scholastic and athletic pursuits. The successful applicants will be student-athletes who have balanced their achievements as badminton athletes with significant success as leaders and contributors to their community.

To qualify for the Bert & Greta Quartermaine Scholarship, the applicant must:

- Have played badminton at a BC School Sports member school during their grade 12 year.
- Be graduating this year and will be entering their first year of full-time studies at an "Accredited Post-Secondary Institution".
- Demonstrate leadership and volunteerism within their school or community.
- Be a Canadian citizen, Permanent Resident or person to whom refugee protection has been confirmed under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act.

Scholarship Amounts

- Six (6) \$1000 scholarships will be awarded to the most worthy candidates.
- A minimum of two (2) males and two (2) females

BCSS Indigenous Student-Athlete Scholarship

Overview & Criteria

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide recognition to Indigenous students. BCSS is dedicated to assisting worthy student-athletes in their desire to attend an Accredited Post-Secondary school.

To qualify for one of the BCSS Scholarships, the applicant must:

- Be enrolled at a BCSS member school.
- Be graduating this year and will be entering their first year of full-time studies at an “Accredited Post-Secondary Institution”.
- Demonstrated leadership and volunteerism within their school community.
- Participated in a BCSS activity in grade 12.

Scholarship Amounts

Two (2) \$750 scholarships will be awarded to one male and one female.

BC Dairy Scholarship

Overview & Criteria

BC’s dairy farmers are proud to nourish and support our province’s athletes. We are delighted to sponsor this scholarship in support of young athletes taking the next step in their education.

The BC Dairy Scholarship rewards student-athletes who exemplify school spirit, practice a healthy lifestyle, and actively engage with their community.

To qualify for one of the BCSS Scholarships, the applicant must:

- Be enrolled at a BCSS member school.
- Be graduating this year and will be entering their first year of full-time studies at an “Accredited Post-Secondary Institution”.
- Have demonstrated school spirit, a healthy lifestyle, and community involvement
- Have participated in at least two BCSS recognized activities in their grade 11 and 12 years

Scholarship Amounts

Two (2) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to one male and one female.