Scholarships and Bursaries



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What is the Difference?

Scholarships

- Marks are important
- Something you achieve by having a particular average or leadership or volunteer experience

Bursary

- Financial need is important
- It is more like a "gift" for a need





How Much Will School Cost?

- Colleges/Universities charge:
 - base tuition
 - supplementary fees (health services, etc.)
 - student union fees (bus pass, dental, etc.)
 - "other" fees (administrative fee, building fee, etc.)
- Students can opt out of some fees
- Varies between institutions & areas of study





Don't forget...are all extra!













Costs are variable!

First Year Tuition	Business	Arts & Science
McMaster University	\$10,700.00	\$7,450.00
Queen's University	\$18,000.00	\$7,500.00

First Year Tuition		Aviation Engineering Technology
Mohawk College	\$4000	\$5000





Types of Scholarships and Bursaries

- No application vs. application required
- Nomination required vs. direct applications
- Renewable vs. non-renewable
- School based vs. community based
- Merit based vs. financial needs based
- Contests





Scholarships Based on Merit Requiring an Application

These scholarships are the focus of this seminar because they require time, planning, and often other people.





- Build an academic and personal record
 - This process has already begun and should not stop until you are finished with college/university
 - Grades are usually important in high school, college, and university
 - Sustained community involvement may play a key role in scholarships
 - Leadership may help you out-compete other more "academic" candidates



- Set Timelines and Due Dates
 - Start researching NOW and don't stop. New opportunities may be just around the corner or they may be just about to expire
 - Mark in your calendar WHEN applications are DUE and build in extra time.
 - Talk to potential reference letter writers and give them LOTS of TIME to write a letter (2 weeks)





- Complete Applications on time apply early
- Do EXACTLY what the scholarship requires, do not do more or less!
- Have a friend/adult PROOF READ
- Allow time for delivery (if it is mailed)
- Don't allow poor planning to become someone else's emergency!





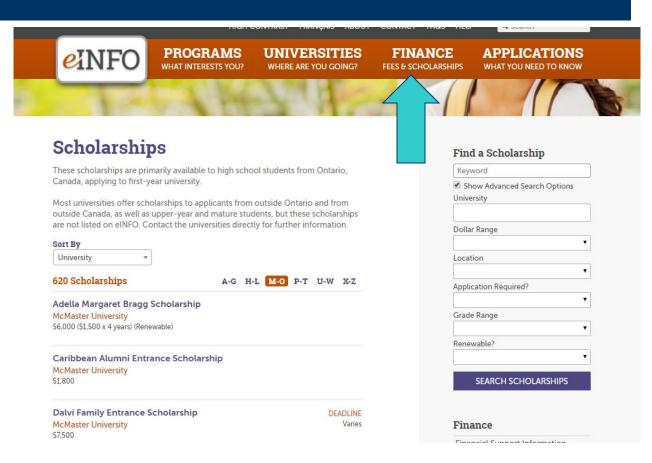
Be appreciative.

 Say thanks to those who were a part of your application... even if you don't get selected.





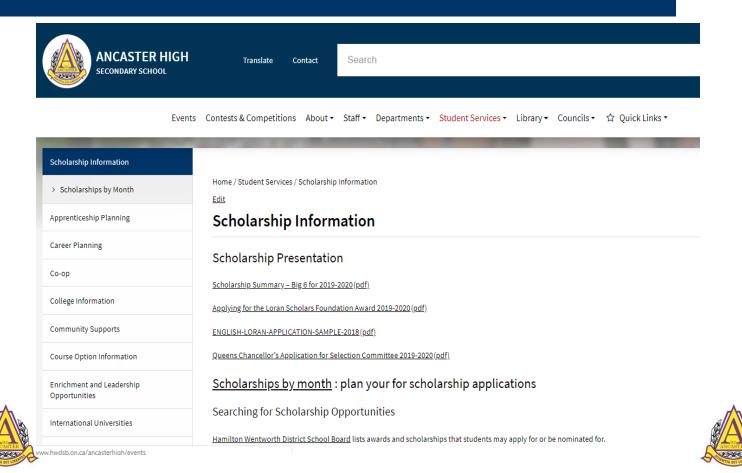
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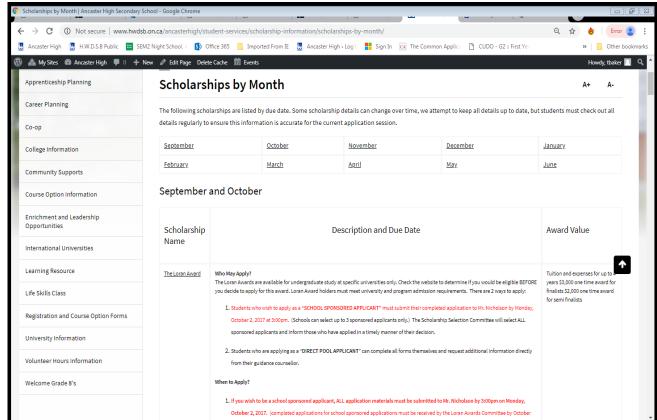




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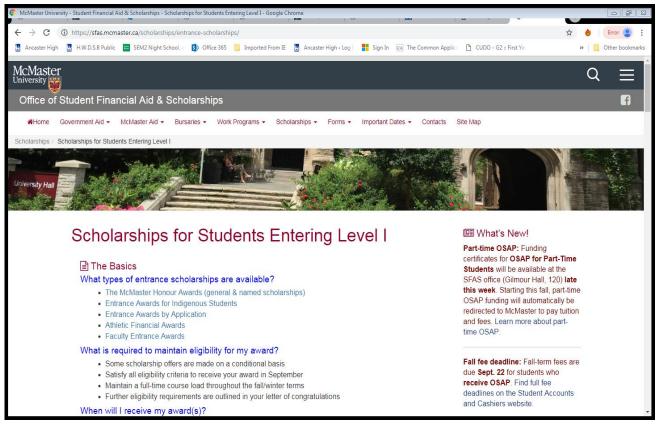
Scholarships by Month







McMaster University Scholarships







How to Find Community-Based Scholarships

 Try a website designed for scholarship searches:

Scholarships Canada

http://www.scholarshipscanada.com/

Yconic

https://yconic.com/





How to Find Community-Based Scholarships

- Ask your parents/guardians
 - Your parent/guardian's employer may offer scholarships
 - Service groups or community organizations may have scholarships for children of members





Competitive Scholarships

- Loran Scholarship 3 sponsored, unlimited direct pool
- University of Toronto National Scholarship
 - 1 school sponsored student, or unlimited direct applicant
- Queens' Chancellor's Scholarship
 - 2 school sponsored (1 may be QuARMS)
- TD Scholarship for Community Leaders
 - Unlimited direct applicant
- Schulich Leaders Scholarships (STEM)
 - 1 school sponsored only
- Western University National Scholarship
 - 4 school sponsored only





Loran Award – Due October 3

Applying for the Loran Scholars Foundation Award (2019-2020)

Name	School	Direct	Due to Mr.	Due to	Criteria and Eligibility
	Sponsor?	Pool?	Nicholson	Scholarship	
Loran Award	YES (3)		Wednesday,	October 17,	-be in final year of full-time studies in high school.
			October 3,	2018	-minimum cumulative average of 85%
\$100 000 over four			2018 at 3		-Canadian citizen or permanent resident
years, 34 recipients			p.m.		-be at least 16 years of age by September 1, 2019
country wide					
			No exceptions.		-demonstrate integrity, courage, grit and personal autonomy
			Hard copies		-demonstrate a commitment to serving others -overall leadership potential -demonstrate honesty, curious nature, wide range of interest
			only. No		
			electronic		
		submissions.		-willingness to take meaningful risks and prioritize results over appearances	
		YES	N/A	October 24,	-sustained commitment to community, initiative to create positive changes ar
			2018	are interested in working for a better world	

STEPS

- 1. Visit Ioranscholar.ca and click "Apply Now"
- 2. Begin online application process. Don't worry, your work is saved and you can log in and out as needed
- 3. Click "Sponsored by (or seeking sponsorship from) my school"
- If you are one of the three school-sponsored applicants, the school will verify you via e-mail (use only Mr. Nicholson's e-mail address: snichols@hwdsb.on.ca)
- If you are not one of the school-sponsored applicants, the school will not approve you as such, and you will be automatically entered as a Direct Pool applicant
- 6. On the last step of your application, print a .pdf of your application
- 7. Obtain the required reference, but in the form of a hard copy letter. NOTE: Loran will send your reference an e-mail with instructions on how to complete the reference electronically. The scholarship committee at Ancaster High will not have access to this, so we require a hard-copy reference letter to determine school sponsorship. See Page 6 of the sample.
- Submit both the printed .pdf of your application package and the hard copy reference letter to Mr. Nicholson by October 3, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. to compete for one of the three school sponsorships. No extensions, no electronic submissions.
- 9. Return to your application and click "submit" to finalize your application
- 10. You will be notified on the status of your bid to become a school sponsored applicant within one week of submitting your application to Mr. Nicholson for consideration





School Sponsorship

- Many of the very large scholarship funds ask schools to choose a school-sponsored applicant
- Deadlines to seek school sponsorship are weeks before the actual scholarship deadline
- All decisions are made by a committee





The Reference Letter

- Make sure the person writing the letter:
 - Knows the criteria (photocopy the criteria page for them)
 - Match the criteria to the letter writer! (Subject teacher?
 Coach? Employer?)
- Provide the writer with:
 - a list of your accomplishments
 - a copy of the scholarship application
 - an idea of what you expect in that letter
 - a copy of your resume
- If you are a serious candidate, they will contact your reference.

Scholarship Tips

 Don't be afraid to apply BUT make sure you do fit the criteria

- If you want the money, put in the time
 - Hourly wage vs scholarship potential
 - How many hours of working at your job would it take to earn the \$\$ offered in the scholarship?





More Scholarship Tips

READ instructions carefully!

- Be EXACT in the format, quantity of words, presentation of the application
 - Extra does not mean better

Make a GREAT impression





Who Can Help?

Your Guidance Counsellor

Other teachers, coaches, group leaders

Family





Who Can Help?

- Past scholarship winners
- Scholarship Forums
- People in the community (especially those involved with community events/groups)





Questions?

Remember to check the
Ancaster High School Student Services
Website for a copy of this presentation and the
"Big 6 Scholarships" summary



