2021-22 Western National Scholarship

- This document is only for submitting to Mr. Nicholson by January 21, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. Please include your full name in the filename and use "WESTERN" in all capitals as the subject line.
  - You will also need to attach the one-page essay using the word processing software of your choice (MS Word, etc.). Please read the application package for details on the essay. Please use the same filename as for the .pdf

- If selected as one of four school-sponsored applicants, Western requires an online application (this can be used as a template to copy and paste your answers into the official application)

- We are not collecting transcripts, list of courses, or the names of your assessor for the purpose of determining the school-sponsored applicants (you *will* need these things for Western if selected)

NOTES

Every student is allowed to seek input from any staff member at the school, including their Guidance counsellor. We do not consider it an unfair advantage if some students seek this input over those who do not.

The four successful candidates for school sponsorship for the Western National will be chosen by the Ancaster High School Scholarship Committee, which includes the principal.

We ask that only students with **serious interest** in attending Western University (regardless of winning the school nomination for this scholarship) apply for this award.

We are not asking for any reference letters or contact information to determine the Western National school-sponsored applicants. Please limit your answers to the space provided below, but any size of font is okay. Don't feel that you need to fill all of the space provided. Please note that if you receive the school's nomination, then you will be applying for the scholarship online, and there will be a character limit in place. Students might need to edit their answers accordingly.

A.   CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT

- **What are your long-term goals and aspirations?**

- **What appeals to you about Western and its programs?**

B.   ESSAY REQUIREMENT

Please include with this application an original essay written by you on an issue important to you of public concern. Explain causes, discuss why it is important and examine potential solutions. The length of your essay should be no less than 1,000 words and no greater than 1,250 words. Please indicate the word count on the last page (in brackets and bold font). Your essay should be typed and double spaced and it must be titled. The list of references must include a range of materials such as books, articles or other sources. *Please note that the essay you submit must be your own original work. Western University considers plagiarism to be a serious scholastic offense and any applicant found to have submitted a plagiarised essay will automatically be disqualified from the National Scholarship competition. In order to avoid committing plagiarism, you must be very careful to acknowledge all sources used in the preparation of your essay. You must reference all statements of fact, claims or direct quotes and document all sources in your list of references. Use the APA style. For information on the APA style please refer to the APA website at www.apastyle.org/index.aspx.*

C.   ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

Please disregard this section. Mr. Nicholson will prepare your transcript and mid-semester report cards for the committee

D.   COMPLETED COURSES

Please disregard this section. Mr. Nicholson will prepare this information on your behalf

E.   MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS, COMPETITIONS AND AWARDS

List your accomplishments in the past three years (grade 10, 11, 12) based on level in the following order (National, Provincial, Community, High school). Information to be included under heading (National, Provincial, Community, High school):

· Award/Prize Name

· Year awarded

· Details of award – Provide criteria by which the award/prize is bestowed and the number of students being awarded each year, if known.

· Note: If activity is listed in another section please do not duplicate. Activity should only be listed once.

National	

Provincial	
Community	
High School	

F. CANDIDATE'S REFLECTION #1

Reviewing your list of major achievements, competitions and awards, please identify the one that meant most to you. Please explain its importance.

G.   EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Beginning with what is the most important to you, list your extracurricular activities at your high school and community service and activities outside of school in the past three years (Grade 10, 11, 12). For example, sports, music, drama, students' council, organizations, volunteer, charitable work, and the arts. Information to be provided:

· Activity
· Year
· Position held (Official Rank, Member)
· Details of Activity
· Note: If activity is listed in another section please do not duplicate. Activity should only be listed once.

Activity	Year	Position	Details

H. CANDIDATE'S REFLECTION #2

Reviewing your list of community service and extracurricular activities, please identify the one that meant most to you. Please explain its importance.

I.   EMPLOYMENT

Please provide a list of paid part-time or summer employment over the past three years (unpaid voluntary work should be listed under Community Service and Activities).

Part-time employment during **school term** (September–June)

	Name of Company/Employer	Position Held	# Weeks Employed	Hours
Sept 2019 – present				
Sept 2018 – June 2019				
Sept 2017 – June 2018				

Summer employment (June – September)

	Name of Company/Employer	Position Held	# Weeks Employed	Hours
2019				
2018				
2017				

J.   SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT

Is there anything about yourself that is not covered on the application that you would like us to know? Please restrict your answer to the specified character length (including spaces).