

Commencement Awards Information Sheet 2023-2024

1. Aldente Dentistry Award for Music Excellence ([link to application](#)) ~\$500

- This award is presented to a student who throughout their high school career, demonstrated artistic efficiency with their instrument or voice, exemplary leadership, support for school ensembles, and a passion for their musical development.

2. Chris Skinner Memorial Award ([link to application](#)) ~\$1000

- This award is presented to a student who is:
 - actively involved in music either in the school or community
 - entering post-secondary school in the fall

3. Jeremi Lindstrom Memorial Award ([link to application](#)) ~\$500

- This award is presented to a student who has demonstrated:
 - independent learning skills, a positive attitude, a friendly demeanour and respect for others
 - a thirst for knowledge, love of reading or interest in culture
 - interested in one or more of the following areas: literature, philosophy, history, politics, sociology, art, music or culinary arts

4. Jonathan Brown Memorial Award ([link to application](#)) ~\$1500

- The award will be given to a graduating student who has demonstrated perseverance in overcoming adversity
 - Preference will be given to a student who has faced health-related challenges such as cancer, chronic illness, personal injury, loss of a loved one.
 - The successful student will have maintained academic endeavours throughout and despite challenges while demonstrating academic ambition for post-secondary education (all pathways).
 - Preference will be given to students who maintained a minimum average grade of 65%.
- Applicants are asked to submit a written one-page (approx. 500 word) response to the question: What have you learned about yourself during your time in high school?

5. Lions' Club of Waterdown Youth Citizenship Award ([pending confirmation](#)) ~\$1000

- The Youth Citizenship Award is presented annually by the Lions' Club of Waterdown
- Award Criteria:
 - graduating student going on to further education
 - a final average of at least 70% (B)
 - contribution to their community in some area
 - actively involved in the school clubs or organizations

6. Rotary Club Literacy Award (application links are below) 500.00

[Link to Literacy Award - College - Technical Field](#)

[Link to Literacy Award - University - STEM](#)

- The Rotary Club of Flamborough AM presents the Literacy Award to a resident of Flamborough who will be starting an apprenticeship or attending college/university in the fall.
- Award criteria:
 - a passion for literature
 - a good citizen within his/her school and community
 - be attending a Community College in a "Technical field", or going on to an Apprenticeship in the workplace, or attending University in Math or Sciences

7. Rotary Club of Waterdown, Cliff Lillicrop Bursary ([link to application](#)) ~\$1000

- The Cliff Lillicrop Bursary is presented annually by the Rotary Club of Waterdown to a graduating student going on to college or university.
- The following criteria are considered for the awarding of the bursary funds:
 - Volunteer/community service activities, if any
 - Leadership experience, if any
 - Work experience, if any
 - Post-secondary education plans
 - Financial need (summary of existing funding and expected shortfall)
- Submit your document, outlining your experiences and background to the correct dropbox in the Guidance class on the HUB

8. Waterdown Church Network Peace Award ([link to application](#)) ~\$200

- This award is presented to an individual who demonstrates the capacity to contribute to their community in a way that promotes peace.

9. Waterdown Self Storage Leadership Award ([link to application](#)) ~\$500

- This award is presented to a student who throughout their involvement in DECA have demonstrated exemplary leadership and a passion for business.

10. Waterdown Self Storage Technical Award ([link to application](#)) ~\$500

- This award is presented to a student in Technological Studied who has demonstrated a conspicuous passion for Technology and Technical Trades

11. Waterdown Youth Centre Integrity Award ([link to application](#)) \$250

- This award is presented to a graduating student who has exemplified a thirst for learning, a drive to do what is right and good, and a heart/desire to encourage others through the challenges of pursuing their high school education.

Notes:

- a) Award values are estimates and reflect the dollar amounts recipients received last year.
- b) If an application requires a transcript, please email Mrs. Kennedy at lkennedy@hwdsb.on.ca
- c) When financial need is part of the criteria, it is important that you are specific about your financial position and any extenuating family circumstances.
- d) Each of these awards has a separate application form and a separate dropbox in the Guidance Class on the HUB
- e) The submission deadline is Friday, May 29, 2024, unless the award indicates an alternate due date