

SCHOLARSHIP MEETING

Welcome 2026 GRADS



-Eligibility –Canadian citizen or Permanent Resident

1. Centennial form includes:

- Ministry District Authority Awards
- Local Scholarship awards package

2. SD 43 District form

3. Featured External Awards

CENTENNIAL SCHOOL CLASS OF 2025 SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS AND BURSARIES

What you will need to prepare

*Review the info sheet and criteria before completing the **FORM***

Following the personal information section you will upload:

- **Personal letter** (up to 500 words, one page max.) This is all about YOU! Not a repeat of your resume.
- **Reference letter** (from a coach, mentor, volunteer coordinator, teacher etc.)
Request 2 weeks **in advance** of spring break
- **Resume' or Brag Sheet**

Optional

Community service hours.

Financial information question* - Must be completed when '**financial need**' is in the criteria. (*parent's income)

Students can opt to apply for DISTRICT AUTHORITY AWARDS

Eligibility

- [Meet core eligibility requirements](#)

- Must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident (landed immigrant) and have that on record with the school at which you registered for Grade 12

- Fulfill the graduation requirements

- Meet criteria determined by the **student's local scholarship committee**, including demonstration of **outstanding achievement** in focus area(s)

<u>Area of interest</u>	<u>Examples</u>
Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies	Business, Home Economics, Media Arts, Technology, Tourism
Community Service (Volunteer Activity)	Includes awareness of local, global, and cultural issues
Fine Arts	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)	Athletics, Dance, Gymnastics
Technical and Trades Training	Coding, Culinary Arts, Mechanics, Robotics, Woodwork

APPLIED SKILLS 3 COURSES IN 11/12		FINE ARTS 3 COURSES IN 11/12	PHYSICAL ACTIVITY See NOTES For options	INT'L LANGUAGES 3 COURSES IN 11/12 suggested	COMMUNITY SERVICE Min 50 hours See below
<u>Business Education</u> Accounting 11 Accounting 12 Business Computer Applications 12 Ecommerce 12 Economic Theory 12 ICT 11 (App. Digital) ICT 11 (Comp. Prog.) ICT 12 (App. Digital) ICT 12 (Comp. Prog.- Game Design) Marketing Promo 11 Media Design 11 Media Design 12 <u>Home Economics</u> Cafeteria Training 11 Cafeteria Training 12 Child Development 12 Cook Training 11 Cook Training 12 Food Studies 11 Food Studies 12 Interpersonal Rel 11 Textile Arts /Crafts 11 Textile Arts/Crafts 12 Textile Studies 11 Textile Studies 12	<u>Technology Education</u> Auto Maintenance 11 Auto Tech 11 Auto Tech 12 Auto Tech 12: Adv. Carp & Joinery 11 Carp & Joinery 12 C & J 12: Residential C & J 12: Furniture Design 11: Animation Design 12: Animation Draft & Des 11: EA Draft & Des 12: EA Advanced Design 12 3D Design 12 Electronics 11 Electronics 12 Metal 11 Metal 12 Metal 12: Welding Metal 12: Art/Jewelry Metal 12: Advanced Woodworking 11 Woodworking 12	<u>Performing Arts</u> Guitar 11 Jazz Band 11 Jazz Choir 11 Jazz Band 12 Jazz Choir 12 Music 11: Band Music 12: Band Music 11: Choir Music 12: Choir Mus Comp & Tech 11 Mus Comp & Tech 12 Mus Theatre 11 Mus Theatre 12 Theatre Perf 11: Act Theatre Perf 12: Act Theatre Perf 12 D & S Theatre Prod 11 Theatre Prod Tech 12 <u>Visual Arts</u> Art Foundations 11 Art Foundations 12 Film & TV11 Film & TV12 Photography 11 SA 11: Ceramic/Sculpt SA 12: Ceramic/Sculpt SA 11: Draw & Paint SA 12: Draw & Paint	Basketball 11 Basketball 12 Fitness and Cond for Women 11 PE 11 (General) PE 12 (General) Weight Training 11 Weight Training 12 Hockey Academy 11 Hockey Academy 12 Other: Peer Tutoring (PE) Team Sports 11* Team Sports 12* Minimum 4* courses (incl 1) at the grade 12 level —OR *Please note physical activity is not limited to courses listed above- It may include excellence in community teams at the provincial or national level and/or awards. Provide reference name and contact information	French 11 French 12 Japanese 11 (Intro) Japanese 11 Japanese 12 Spanish 11 (Intro) Spanish 11 Spanish 12 2-3 courses minimum in Gr 11 & 12 Top student plus 1 course will be considered.	*Student must have above average involvement service in school or community (Minimum 50 hours) Provide reference name, email and hours INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES AND CULTURE *Student must have above average involvement/service hours in indigenous community Provide reference name and contact information/ hours TECHNICAL AND TRADES TRAINING See below *Student must excel in his/her area of TRAIN IN TRADES OR 3-4 Tech courses in 11/12

DISTRICT AUTHORITY FOCUS AREAS

SUGGESTED NUMBER OF COURSES IS GIVEN PREFERENCE AS WELL AS:

- *Attendance
- *Punctuality
- *Work habits
- *Cooperation



District Authority Awards
Centennial is awarded up to
40 awards annually.

*NOTE: Ministry Scholarship
Vouchers (\$1250.00) are
mailed in **late fall/early
winter***

Students may redeem this
voucher with the Ministry
to be reimbursed for tuition
paid.

Plan accordingly.

- If you excel in 2 areas, you can select 2 two, but only one may be awarded
- You will need a **specific reference name & email** (for each)
- Be sure they ARE AWARE and will vouch for your excellence in your selected focus area(s) if requested
- You will briefly **highlight** how you excel in the form

Exit or Continue?

- EXIT AND SUBMIT THE FORM or CONTINUE to local awards scholarships and bursaries
- If applying for **NEED BASED BURSARIES**, please complete the financial need questions.

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Do you want to continue to the Local bursaries, scholarships, awards? * 

No. Go to end of form/Submit

Yes. Continue to Local Scholarship and Awards section

FINANCIAL NEED -

Financial need is the difference between your resources and your first year costs, and/or including students planning to apply for Student Aid (in June) for their first year.
Complete only **if you are applying for Awards/Bursaries that list financial need as a criterion.**
**Please provide all required information. Financial details will be kept strictly confidential.*

If you don't complete this section, you will not be considered for **need based awards** of any kind!

How Do I Determine Financial Need?

FINANCIAL NEED IS BASED ON
THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN :

STUDENT/PARENT RESOURCES
(Savings, RESP's, Scholarships etc.)

VS

THE COST OF ATTENDING SCHOOL (Year 1 only)

YOU AND YOUR PARENTS ARE EXPECTED TO CONTRIBUTE
FUNDS TOWARD YOUR EDUCATION.

ANNUAL FAMILY INCOME IS BASED ON ALL PARENT'S
ANNUAL INCOME
(INCLUDING THOSE LIVING OUTSIDE OF CANADA)

FOR OUR LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP
PACKAGE

Financial need is a criteria for
many awards/bursaries.

The range of income/need is
*determined by the pool of
applicants* for the specific
awards in the local package.

See me with questions.

*Documentation and parent signature
may be requested.

Review the criteria on the info sheet.
 Only apply for awards where you **MEET** all criteria.

Rotary Club of Coquitlam Every year our club gives out bursaries to each high school in Coquitlam.	\$1000	Awarded to students who demonstrate, through the application: examples of service to the community, good citizenship, satisfactory academic progress and the commitment to continue their education through a post-secondary institution. demonstrated financial need
GROUP 2 - OTHER - Graduating student planning to attend post-secondary		
Artona Awards 1	\$500	Outstanding peer tutor or volunteer/community tutor. Leadership and dedication.
Artona Awards 2	\$500	Outstanding Music student with strong leadership (Band and/or Choral)
Artona Awards 3	\$500	Diversity award. An IBPOC student who exhibits academic merit and service to others.
MJM Award	\$310	Outstanding participant in school club.
GROUP 3 - CRITERIA: <i>Additional application required</i>		
CTA STUDENT ASSISTANCE BURSARY	\$500	Financial need Additional essay and CTA application required. Submit with Local application. Application on website Scholarships - Coquitlam Teachers Association

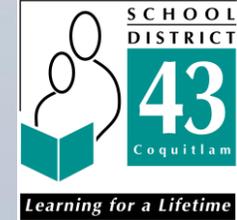
You may be asked to briefly state how you meet the criteria.

CTA awards require you to upload an additional application form.

End of Centennial form.

2. Other: DISTRICT (SD43) AWARDS

Criteria is listed on our info sheet. Awards range from \$500 to \$2,000
Over \$16,000 available for SD43 Grads See info sheet for descriptions



Coquitlam Drama/METFEST

Coquitlam Centre Emerging Artist Scholarship Award

Coquitlam Retired Teachers Assoc.

Ellis Jorssen

Hedy Pothorn

Gearforce

Indigenous Education Bursary

Maxine and Gordon Wilson Indigenous (5)

Roughead Student Athlete Scholarship

Sharon Perry

Tom Harris Memorial

Uniglobe Specialty Travel

Urban Spirit Foundation Scholarship

Yo Bro Yo Girl Youth Leadership (2)

Deadline April 15th



District Scholarships Application
Form for School District 43
(Coquitlam) Students (2026)



WHY SHOULD I APPLY?

YEAR TO YEAR AWARD RATIOS – ESTIMATE FOR 2025 GRADS

HISTORICALLY STUDENTS WILL NOT RECEIVE MORE THAN TWO/THREE AWARDS.

YEAR	EST. 2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
# OF GRADUATING STUDENTS	398	370	390	354	376
NON-CANADIAN/INT'L	36	23			
# APPLYING TO PSI via (STS)	~225	220	216	213	
50% WILL NOT APPLY for AWARDS	112	110	108	106	
10% WILL NOT MEET CRITERIA	11	11	11	10	
10% INCOMPLETE/miss deadline	11	11	11	10	
FINAL ESTIMATE OF APPLICANTS	~90	88	86	87	
50% WILL INTEND TO APPLY...BUT WON'T	45	44	32	43	21
NUMBER OF DAA AWARDS	36	37	36	30	35
LOCAL AWARDS	24	20			22
SD43 DISTRICT	15	10			13
TOTAL AWARDS	75	65	75	74	70
POTENTIAL RATIO AWARD:STUDENT	1.7:1	1.5:1	2.3:1	1.7:1	3.0:1



Winning Strategies

To win more scholarships, apply to more.
Increase your chances.

- ✓ You can't win if you don't play
- ✓ One \$1250 award = 70 hours of part time work.
- ✓ Make time to APPLY and follow through in submitting.
- ✓ Know your competition/candidate pool:
(SCHOOL-BASED VS LOCAL VS PROVINCE WIDE VS NATIONAL)
(Centennial vs Coquitlam vs BC vs Canada)
- ✓ Local/Community awards have the best odds!

More
Tips for
APPLYING to
External
Scholarships
until June

Organize

Be aware of deadlines & the files you will attach. (resume, essay, reference etc.)

Share

Share a **BRAG SHEET** with your reference so they have info about YOU! (2 weeks notice)

Focus

Try to focus your essay/answers to the address the highlighted criteria from the donor.

Brag a bit!

Be proud of all you have accomplished, show evidence of your unique experience

Ask

If in doubt whether you are eligible, ASK!

Apply

Submit your application in advance of the deadline to avoid technical glitches.

March Scholarship Deadlines



vancoover foundation

Coquitlam Foundation

BCHF
BC HOSPITALITY FOUNDATION

Manulife

Girl Guides

30 BC HYDRO PowerPioneers

APPLY NOW!
Jaymie-Lynn Robertson 2024 Memorial Bursary Program
THE CANCER SOCIETY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
EPILEPSY & SEIZURE EDUCATION
2 awards of \$2000 are available to grade 12 students or adult students either entering or returning to a post secondary institution. Applicant must demonstrate financial need and submit a 300-word essay on how epilepsy has impacted their life.
APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 2024
For more information contact us at info@epilepsy.ca
To apply, visit <http://www.epilepsy.ca>

EAGLE RIDGE

BCIT

BCIT PATHWAYS AWARDS
Up to 3 x \$3,000 AWARDS – FOR SD#43 students planning to attend a full time BCIT technology, technical studies, or trade foundation program (not apprenticeship)

QUEST 2024
FOR EXCELLENCE



Scholarship Program



Our biggest local donor – MANY **need-based** AWARDS
based on pool of COQUITLAM GRADS – **DUE MARCH 31ST**



Scholarships and Bursaries 2025

Community funding \$750 - \$2,500

for Coquitlam Graduating Students only.

Demonstrated Financial need (form), 2 reference letters, essay

Apply by March 31st

Scholarships and bursaries are put into place for either a specific post-secondary institute, a particular area of study, or for involvement in a sport.

More Awards...will expire March 31st

BCSSA Scholarship Apply by April 3

BCIT Pathway Awards 3 X \$3,000 for SD43 Due: April 2

**Vocational & Technical Scholarships Grade 12's- Horatio Alger
Canada**

THE APPLICATIONS WILL BE **OPEN MARCH 15TH**
2025 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRADUATING STUDENTS.

3 x \$3,000 (certificate)

25 x \$3,000 (certificate or diploma in certain fields/trades see list)

55 x \$3,400 (3 year or less program)

NEW AWARDS FOR SD43 GRADUATING STUDENTS

VISIT THE CTA WEBSITE
TO

APPLY BY JUNE 1ST!



NEW

NEW CTA AWARDS

BARBARA VENGSHOEL SCHOLARSHIP

(2 X \$500 EACH)

TRADES & ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

(2 X \$1500)

EQUITY SCHOLARSHIP

(4 X \$1500)

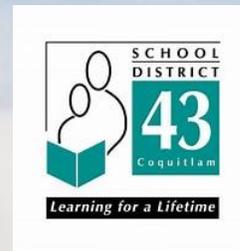
**APPLY TO CTA BY
JUNE 1**

WHAT ARE
THE
DEADLINES?



CENTENNIAL
LOCAL PACKAGE & DISTRICT
AUTHORITY AWARDS –

APRIL 9TH



SD43
DISTRICT AWARDS

APRIL 15TH

SCHOLARSHIPS

WILL BE POSTED AS THEY
ARE RENEWED...SOME UNTIL
JULY!

KEEP CHECKING

More to
come!!

*****COQUITLAM FOUNDATION BURSARIES*****COQUITLAM and/or SD43 STUDENTS ONLY!	...	3/31/2026
BC HYDRO POWER PIONEERS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS	...	3/31/2026
Capilano Entrance Awards/Scholarships	...	3/31/2026
DOUGLAS COLLEGE ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE MARCH 31ST	...	3/31/2026
Douglas College Entrance Scholarships Oct 1 to March 31	...	3/31/2026
GRADE 11 - HORATIO ALGER NATIONAL ENTREPRENURIAL SCHOLARSHIPS	...	3/31/2026
GRADE 11 Canadian Scholarships	...	3/31/2026
Kochhar & Co.	...	3/31/2026
PCAHA - Pacific Coast Amateur Hockey Association Scholarships	...	3/31/2026
SFU ENTRANCE AWARDS, BURSARIES AND SCHOLARSHIPS - deadline March 31	...	3/31/2026
COQUITLAM OPTIMIST CLUB - ROBERT SIMMS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP	...	4/16/2026
Via My Blueprint.ca - H&R Block Canada Future Finance Experts Scholarships	...	4/24/2026
BCTESOL SCHOLARSHIPS (GRADS 2026)	...	4/30/2026
Live Life. Pass It On Scholarship - ✳	...	5/1/2026
Odenza Vacations College Scholarship	...	5/1/2026
Save-On Foods Joint Diversity Scholarships	...	5/1/2026
Supply-Build Canada Rising Star Awards	...	5/1/2026
Scotiabank Contest (Scholarships) via My Blueprint opens March 3 closes May 7	...	5/7/2026

Share your success!



Fill out the form to have **external awards** added to the commencement program.

WINNERS WILL RECEIVE A LETTER AT AWARDS NIGHT OR COMMENCEMENT WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON PROVIDING:

- SIN#
- PROOF OF TUITION PAID IN ORDER TO CLAIM THE FUNDS.
- THANK YOU LETTER (SD43 AWARDS)

Questions? Email Mrs. HW dhealeywright@sd43.bc.ca

Have you won a scholarship, bursary or award?



Thank you for coming!

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READ THE CENTENNIAL TODAY

CHECK THE WEBSITE REGULARLY

***MORE SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE POSTED MARCH -
JUNE***