



GRANDE PRAIRIE & DISTRICT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Online applications can be found at: www.educationfoundation.gpcsd.ca

You must include (unless otherwise stated):

- A one-page typed essay of up to 500 words in length, detailing how you meet the criteria outlined for the scholarship you are applying for. Be as specific as possible.
- A letter of recommendation.
- Graduation photo or individual photo. – must be scanned in as a PDF
- A transcript, you must apply to Alberta Education www.alis.gov.ab.ca – Must be scanned in as PDF
- Confirmation of post-secondary registration, unless otherwise stated in scholarship criteria – Must be scanned in as PDF

DEADLINES

All applications must be received by the Foundation by May 31st. This includes the essay, letter of recommendation and photo. Upon submitting your application, you will receive a confirmation email, if you do not receive this email please contact kariprichard@gpcsd.ca.

Transcripts and confirmation of post-secondary registration must be received by the Foundation no later than August 31st. Form can be found here: <https://educationfoundation.gpcsd.ca/>

No applications will be accepted after the deadline. No reminders will be made for supporting documents. Only online applications will be accepted.

All applicants will be notified in writing by the end of October as to their status.

For more information, please contact:

Executive Director – Kari Prichard

Phone: 780-532-3013 kariprichard@gpcsd.ca

LEADERSHIP & SPIRITUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

STUDENTS APPLY TO SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIP IN THIS CATEGORY. YOU CAN APPLY FOR BOTH, HOWEVER ONLY ONE SCHOLARSHIP PER STUDENT WILL BE AWARDED FROM THIS CATEGORY.

1. Blessed Chiara Luce Award \$1000

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools.
- Dedication & participation in religious activities at school as well as participation at the parish level and leadership in Youth Ministry activities.
- Indication of future plans – especially in the area of evangelization or ministry.
- Financial need is a consideration.
- Not required to be registered in a post secondary institution.

2. Foundation Citizenship Scholarship \$1000

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools
- Recognizes a student who has contributed to their communities through public service &/or volunteerism

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

STUDENTS SUBMIT ONE APPLICATION FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIPS IN THIS CATEGORY AND THE FOUNDATION WILL MATCH THE STUDENT WITH THE APPROPRIATE SCHOLARSHIP. ONLY ONE SCHOLARSHIP PER STUDENT WILL BE AWARDED FROM THIS CATEGORY. IN YOUR ONE-PAGE ESSAY, INCLUDE WHAT YOUR FUTURE EDUCATIONAL GOALS ARE.

1. Dragon Palace Scholarship \$500

- A graduating student of St. Joseph or St. John Paul II.
- Awarded to the student with the highest academic average based on the Rutherford Scholarship achievement criteria

2. High School Excellence Scholarship \$1000.00 (x2)

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools
- One scholarship will be awarded to the student with the highest combined class mark in English 30-1 & Social 30-1 and a second scholarship will be awarded to the student with highest combined class mark in Math 30-1 & either Biology, Chemistry or Physics 30-1.

3. Patrick Vincent Croken Memorial Scholarship \$600

- Graduating student from St. Joseph or St. John Paul II.
- Awarded to the grade 12 student with the highest average determined by the average of that student's highest five Alberta Diploma Examination Marks. This average is calculated using the government EXAM MARK ONLY, not the combined average mark of the school based and diploma exam mark. All diploma exam marks are eligible.

SKILLED WORKERS SCHOLARSHIPS

STUDENTS SUBMIT ONE APPLICATION FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIPS IN THIS CATEGORY AND THE FOUNDATION WILL MATCH THE SCHOLARSHIP TO THE STUDENT WHO DEMONSTRATES CLEAR EDUCATIONAL OR TRAINING GOALS, PROMISING TRADE SKILLS AND A STRONG WORK ETHIC. ONLY ONE SCHOLARSHIP PER STUDENT WILL BE AWARDED FROM THIS CATEGORY. ENSURE THAT AN EXPLANATION FOR UTILIZING THE FUNDS IS INCLUDED IN YOUR WRITTEN ESSAY.

1. Carstar Grande Prairie Trades Scholarship \$500.00

- A graduating student of St. John Paul II Catholic High School
- Registered in RAP or a trades program
- Letter explaining financial need

2. Dilan Lebrun Memorial Scholarship \$500

- Graduating student from St. Joseph Catholic High School
- Registered in the Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP).
- Letter from Teacher, Coach, or Employer.
- Registered in a post-secondary institution to complete a trade.

3. Trades and Apprenticeship Scholarship \$1000

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools
- Registered in a post-secondary diploma or apprenticeship program.
- Letter from Teacher or Employer.

4. Indigenous Trades Scholarship \$1000

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools
- Aboriginal student who self-declares on his/her student registration before September 30th of their grade 12 year.
- Provisionally accepted in a post-secondary institution in a minimum one-year certificate or trades program in an Alberta post-secondary College. Preference will be given to a student who seeks a Diploma designation (2 years).

SPECIALTY FIELD SCHOLARSHIPS

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1. Health Sciences Scholarship \$1000.00

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools
- Enrolled in a post-secondary program of any length in the broad field of Health Sciences

2. Bachelor's Degree Scholarship \$1000.00

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools
- Enrolled in a post-secondary program of minimum 4 years

3. Indigenous Professional Degree Scholarship \$1500

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools
- Aboriginal student who self-declares on his/her student registration before September 30th of their grade 12 year.
- Provisionally accepted in a post-secondary institution in a minimum four-year degree program that may include Commerce, Health, Education, Engineering or Arts/Science.

4. Arts Scholarship \$1000.00

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools
- Plans to pursue further studies in the Arts, including Creative Writing, Dance, Media, Music, Theatre, Visual Art, and Art Education, please indicate future plans in essay portion.
- Not required to be registered in a post secondary institution.

5. Athletic Scholarship \$1000

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools
- Proven dedication to sport with an established plan to pursue high level sports either through education or elite training.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS SCHOLARSHIPS

STUDENTS APPLY TO SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIP IN THIS CATEGORY.

1. Financial Aid Bursary (Samaritan Award)

\$1000.00

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie & District Catholic Schools
- Indicates a financial need to attend a post-secondary program

2. Unifor Local 328 Scholarship \$1500

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools.
- Student must be a family member of a Unifor Union member.
- Must provide acceptance letter for program and attend the same year.
- Teacher letter of reference and 500-word essay not required.

3. Weyerhaeuser Next Generation Scholarship 2 @ \$500

- A graduating student of Grande Prairie and District Catholic Schools.
- Include school/community involvement
- A 200 written essay explaining what Weyerhaeuser and the forest industry means to our community and the world around us.
- All applicants will be considered; however, preference will be given to students who are the child of a direct Weyerhaeuser Grande Prairie employee enrolling in the following programs: Forestry, Renewable Resource Management, Safety Management, Engineering, Wood Science, Business, Human Resources, and trades (Electrician, Millwright, Saw Filer or Heavy-Duty Mechanic).

4. All About Me Scholarship \$1000

- A graduating student who completed the All About Me Girls Program.
- In your 500-word essay describing how the All about me Girls Program influenced your life and how you have used your leadership skills to inspire others.

