



## FortisBC High School Community Education Bursary Information and Application

### Bursary Description

Westbank First Nation (WFN) recognizes the importance of education in the pursuit of career goals, personal development, and the building of capacity in our community.

**FortisBC Energy Inc.** (FortisBC) has forged a strong, mutually beneficial relationship of trust with Westbank First Nation (WFN) through the establishment of long-term agreements with WFN. In recognition of this relationship, FortisBC has established a **Community Education Awards Program** for WFN Members who are committed to building a better future for themselves through post-secondary educational studies in disciplines relevant to the academic, trades, technology, and/or the energy sector in occupations pertinent to FortisBC operations. One of these awards is the FortisBC High School Community Education Bursary, with a value of \$500. Subject to the provisions of Policy 2015-20 Scholarships and Bursaries, WFN, in coordination with FortisBC, will award three (3) of these scholarships annually to the successful candidates.

The application period for this Scholarship opens on siyaʔtən/June 1 and closes at 4:30 p.m. Pacific Standard Time (PST) on August 10. If August 10 falls on a weekend or statutory holiday, the closing date is extended to 4:30 p.m. PST on the next business day.

The FortisBC Community Education Awards will be awarded by the end of skaytan/October.

### Eligibility Criteria:

Applicants must:

- Be a WFN Member.
- Be enrolled in and currently attending high school, in grade 10, 11, or 12, and intending to obtain a Dogwood Diploma and continue to post-secondary studies.
- Be in good academic standing, maintaining a minimum average of C+ or 2.5 GPA (Grade Point Average).
- Be in compliance with Policy 2015-49 Accounts Receivable.
- Complete and submit the FortisBC Post-Secondary Community Education Scholarship Application by 4:30 p.m. PST on August 10 (The deadline is extended to 4:30 p.m. PST on the next business day if August 10 falls on a weekend or statutory holiday.) The application must include:
  - Your high school transcript, including current proof of enrollment.
  - Proof that you are a student in good standing, not on academic probation, and without any outstanding fees.
  - One (1) academic reference letter to comment on your capability, commitment to your studies, and career goal (include names, telephone numbers & relationship/position).
  - An essay written by you outlining your goals for post-secondary studies and career plans, and summarizing your community involvement.

Preference will be given to students entering and/or planning for post-secondary studies in disciplines related to academic, trades, technology, or energy sector occupations pertinent to FortisBC operations.



# FortisBC High School Community Education Scholarship Application

To be completed by Member high school students in accordance with Policy 2015-20 Scholarships and Bursaries



**PROTECTED once submitted**

## Personal Information

Applicant Name:

Mailing Address:

Province:

Postal Code:

Birthdate:

(MM/DD/YYYY)

Status Number:

Social Insurance Number (SIN):

Home Phone No.:

Cell Phone No.:

WFN Arrears/Debt?  No  Yes

If Yes, do you have a payment agreement in place?  Yes  No

## Academic Information

High School currently attending:

Address:

Grade currently enrolled:  Grade 10  Grade 11  Grade 12

When do you expect to complete grade 12 of high school? (MM/YYYY):

## Required Documentation

- Official High School transcript including current proof of enrollment.
- Proof of good standing, no academic probation, and no outstanding fees.
- Minimum 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) GPA in most recent semester.
- One academic reference letter to comment on your capability, commitment to your studies, and career goals (Please include names, telephone numbers, & relationship/position).
- An essay written by you outlining your goals for post-secondary studies and career plans, and summarizing your **community involvement and contribution**.

## Declaration

I hereby declare that the information on this application is, to the best of my knowledge, correct and complete. I acknowledge that this information will be used to determine my eligibility for scholarships administered by Westbank First Nation (WFN) and that WFN retains the right to verify information on my application. If any of the information I have provided should change, I understand that it is my responsibility to advise WFN, in writing, of any such changes.

If this application is approved, I will provide WFN with a photo and a brief biographical profile to be published on the WFN website and in other communications, and I fully release WFN from any and all claims associated with WFN's use of my photo and profile.

Signature:

Date:

**You must submit your application and required documentation by 4:30 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on August 10 to:**

WFN Education Services, 1900 Quail Land, Westbank, BC V4T 2H3

Phone: 250-768-0227 Fax: 250-768-0528 Email: [calexander@wfn.ca](mailto:calexander@wfn.ca)

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