

F.P. Walshe High School Scholarship Guide



Tips for finding funding
Application support
Local scholarship details
Helpful websites

Every effort has been made to keep this information up to date and accurate.

Please note that deadlines/criteria and funding to scholarships can be changed by funders at any time.

If you find errors or changes, please let me know.

Tips for finding Scholarships, Bursaries and Grants

Scholarships – Awards for merit or involvement in areas such as: academic, leadership, community involvement, athletics, clubs, associations, employers and interests

Grants and Bursaries – Awarded based on financial need or specific criteria

You miss out on 100% of the scholarship, grant or bursary money you do not apply for! Applications can take anywhere from a few minutes to hours to complete, but the process starts long before sitting down to apply.

Over the years we have seen a shift in scholarships, moving towards community involvement, leadership and strong personal character.

To help get you started, here are a few questions:

1. Extra curricular activities: what do you do inside and outside school?
2. Do you have a part time job?
3. Where do your parents work?
4. Where do or did your grandparents work?
5. Are your parents or grandparents involved in community organizations?
6. Do you volunteer or participate in a leadership role?
7. How are your grades?
8. Have you selected and applied to Post-Secondary institutions?
 - a. What scholarships are offered?
 - b. Do they have individual applications or automatic?
9. What scholarships are offered at your high school?
10. Do you know the local (Community Based) scholarships?

Once you have answered these questions the fun begins, time to start your search.

If you get stuck, there are resources on the last page of this booklet to help you in your search

Once you find awards to apply for, what's next?

1. Make a list
2. Ask for help
3. Keep reading here – Next section - Tips

Tips on Filling Out a Successful Application

1. Now that you have a list of Scholarships:
 - a. Organize the applications by closing dates and time
 - b. Create your “To Do” list and schedule
 - c. Collect supporting documents

| Most often Need | Might Need |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| I. Acceptance letter for post-secondary including program details | I. Essays |
| II. High school transcripts | II. References |
| | III. Proof of participation |
| | IV. Support verifying financial need |

2. Collecting your documents:
 - a. Transcripts – request your sealed transcript through your [MyPass](#) account
 - b. Acceptance letter – this will be emailed to you after you accept your offer from the post-secondary institution
 - c. References – ask your references early so they have time to write the best support letter for you. Some applications will only require name and contact information for your reference, please communicate with your references regularly about your applications
 - d. Financial documents – in some cases you will be asked to include personal or family income details such as your line 150 of the most recent tax return
 - e. Proof of participation – certificates, employment records, membership fees/dues, letter from organization
 - f. Essays – students tend to avoid these, however you have an amazing support system to help you write these – Ask for help: Parents, Teachers, Counsellors
3. Selecting References:
 - a. The best references are the people who believe in you the most, can identify your strengths and personal characteristics (teachers, coaches, employers or volunteer coordinator, group leaders)
 - b. Ask for support early, respect their time
 - c. Confirm correct spelling of their name and contact information
 - d. Ask for multiple signed copies of reference letters, copies are okay with original signature
4. Read the application instructions:
 - a. Identify the requirements, key words and organization details
5. Research, research, research: who is offering the award and why?
 - a. The details will help you answer the scholarship questions or essay if needed
6. You have applied, now what are the key details:
 - a. Selection dates or announcement dates
 - b. How and when are the funds distributed
7. When you win, let us know. We want to celebrate with you.
8. In gratitude, **please send thank you notes** for all awards you receive

Requesting Reference Letters

- Provide them with a Personal Profile, even if they know you, provide them with highlights:
 - Unique characteristics and strengths
 - Involvement in community service, clubs, teams or organizations
 - Hobbies and interests
 - Accomplishments
 - Awards and prizes
 - Academic standing
 - Work history
- Allow sufficient time (2 -3 weeks) for letters of recommendation or reference letters.

Writing a Personal Application Letter or Essay

- Make a list of key points/keywords that need to be covered
- Write an outline or rough draft
- Get to know your audience, who are they? Do they offer tips on their website?
- If there are no specific requirements for an essay or letter, you should consider the following:
 - Personal reflection: how a specific subject has influenced you
 - Outline of your interests, hobbies and activities
 - Summarize community involvement and leadership
 - Employment history and volunteer work
- Letters and essays, unless specifically instructed to present hand written, are typed, double spaced and only printed on one side. If you are submitting the document electronically it will need to be a PDF
- Don't assume that a committee will read between the lines. If you have done something noteworthy, include it. Most scholarships will have many worthy candidates. The better job you do of selling yourself, the better your chances are of receiving a scholarship or award
- Edit edit edit!
- Ask for help: proof readers, teachers or someone who has excellent writing skills.

FP Walshe Grad Awards

| <i>Title</i> | <i>Awards</i> | <i>Amount</i> | <i>Selection</i> | <i>Criteria</i> |
|--|---------------|---------------|------------------|--|
| Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks #129 | 1 | \$250 | Calculation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest mark in Shop |
| Blood Tribe Chief & Council/Administration Achievement Award | 2 | \$500 | Calculation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 awards, 1 female and 1 male Academic standing, Leadership and Attendance Dedication towards academic studies Winners will also receive a commemorative plaque |
| Catholic Women's League Award | 2 | \$100 | Calculation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest mark in English 30-1 Highest mark in Social 30-1 |
| CUPE Award Local 2133 | 1 | \$500 | Nomination | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Positive attitude towards all age groups in school and community Compassionate, respectful, hard-working and fair Student does not need to be entering post-secondary to be eligible "It's the character in work force" |
| Danny Van Wyck | 2 | NA | Nomination | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outstanding male & female student Genuinely concerned about his/her fellow students Positive character, involved in the life of the school thru extra-curricular sports, clubs, councils or assoc. activities |
| Declan Many Bears Culinary Art Memorial Scholarship | 1 | \$250 | Application | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> awarded to a student entering a post high school culinary art program Proof of entrance from your program must be provided to Betty Ann & Morris Little Wolf |
| Eden Funeral Home FNMI Student's Awards | 2 | \$100 | Calculation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High academic achievement male and female FNMI student |
| Eden Funeral Home Math/Science Award | 1 | \$200 | Calculation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest Average in Pure Math 30 and All Three Sciences |
| Extracurricular leadership award | 2 | \$100 | Nomination | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exemplary extracurricular leadership. 2 awards, 1 female and 1 male |
| Fish & Game Association | 1 | \$500 | Application | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A student who demonstrates the values of the fish & game Conservation of natural resources, effective management of fish and wild life, public land ownership and developing and preserving habitat and promoting outdoor ethics |
| F.P. Walshe School Council | 2 | \$50 | Calculation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Above 75% average of all student's grade 12 courses including options one 30-1 stream one 30-2 stream |

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| F.P. Walshe Students Award | 8 | \$100 | Calculation | Highest mark in each: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chem 30 • Physics 30 • Biology 30 • Science 30 • Math 30-1 • Math 30-2 • P.E- Male • P.E-Female |
| Fort Macleod Ladies Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship | 2 | \$1000 | Application | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High academic achievement and/or financial need • A student entering any Health Care Related Program • Must be attending post-secondary the year that you graduate; proof is required • Only valid for the calendar year of graduation |
| Fort Macleod Local Rotary | 2 | \$250 | Nomination | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exemplary leadership skills • One male and one female award |
| F.P.Walshe Honors & Honorable Mention Awards Grade 12 | 2 | \$100 | Calculation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>High Academic Achievement</i> • <i>ELA 301 & 3 Other 30 level courses</i> • <i>Honors-above 80%</i> • <i>Honorable Mention – below 80%</i> |
| Gordon Elgin Scholarship | 2 | \$750 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded to a deserving student who is going to continue with education. • ELA 30-1 and Social 30-1 plus three other diploma school based marks • ELA 30-2 and Social 30-2 plus three other diploma school based marks. • * Proof of entrance from your program must be provided to F. P. Walshe before scholarship is issued. |
| Governor General Award | 1 | | Nomination | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To the student who achieves the highest average upon graduating (calculated after final marks/diploma marks in) • Awarded in the Fall after graduation |
| Jack and Myrle Furman Bursary | 1 | \$500 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A student that is enrolled in a registered nursing program • Proof of entrance to the program must be provided to F. P. Walshe before scholarship is issued. |
| Kainai Board of Education | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of high school Graduation • Member of the Blood Tribe |

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| Kainaiwa Resources Inc. | 2 | \$250 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blood students Solid academic Standing Entering post-secondary |
| The Lauder Family Athletic Award | 1 | \$100 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student going to post-Secondary, and participating in athletics. |
| LRSD Highest Academic Award | 1 | \$500 | <i>Calculation</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Top academic student using school & diploma marks</i> <i>Fall Award</i> |
| Lucy B. Clifton Scholarship | 2 | \$2000 | <i>Application</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attending an Artistic, Vocational or Trades Program Honest, be serious and willing to work at best of ability Near perfect attendance |
| Mary Roberta Perry Award | 1 | \$250 | <i>Nomination</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greatest Improvement from Gr. 11 to Gr. 12 |
| Off Campus Award | 1 | \$250 | <i>Nomination</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High Achievement (not necessarily marks or credits) in work experience, RAP and/or Green Certificate Has not received any other award Post-secondary Plans |
| Piikani Youth & Education Foundation | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member of the Peigan Nation Be in a position to graduate |
| Town of For Macleod Leadership Award | 1 | \$500 | <i>Nomination</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 12 student who demonstrates leadership in the community as well as maintaining a high level of academic achievement |
| Valedictorian Award | 1 | \$500 | <i>Calculation</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highest academic student calculated on Ela 30-1, Social 30-1 plus three other diploma level school based marks |
| F.P. Walshe Credit Award | 1 | \$100 | <i>Calculation</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>F.P. Walshe Grade 12 student with the most Credits</i> |
| Crossroads Credit Award | 1 | \$100 | <i>Calculation</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Crossroads Grade 12 student with the most Credits</i> |
| Willow Creek Bus Drivers Assoc. W.C.B.D.A. | 1 | \$150 | <i>Application</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rural student An excellent student who would not normally receive an award Graduating student who “does their best” and “does their work” A student has initiative to “move-in” with education |

Livingstone Range School Division Scholarships

| <i>Title</i> | <i>Awards</i> | <i>Amount</i> | <i>Criteria (Application – available at your high school in April)</i> |
|---|---------------|---------------|---|
| Dr. Lloyd Cavers Student Leadership Scholarship | 1 | \$1000 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nomination, Each LRSD high school can nominate one grade 12 student Awarded to a student whose leadership abilities have had a positive impact on the school primarily, but also in the wider community All nominees not selected for the award receive \$200.00 in recognition of the students' distinct contributions |
| Enmax Environmental Leadership Scholarship | 1 | \$1000 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 12 student registered to study in an area of environmental studies Demonstrate environmental leadership and citizenship qualities Hold at least a 65% GPA for grade 12 |
| Livingstone Macleod Association Bursary Fund | 1 | \$2000 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 12 student enrolled in a TRADE via post-secondary route. Must be registered at Olds, SAIT, U of L, Lethbridge College, NAIT (if not offered through SAIT) or U of A Agricultural Faculty |

Local Scholarships

| <i>Title (Link)</i> | <i>Awards</i> | <i>Amount</i> | <i>Deadline</i> | <i>Criteria</i> |
|---|---------------|---------------|----------------------|--|
| ALBERTA LODGE NO. 3 A.F. & A.M (THE MASONS) Higher Education Bursary | 1 | \$2000 | April 30 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduate of F.P. Walshe High School and a Canadian Citizen Finacial Need and Proven scholastic ability Please see Career Practitioner for application |
| Fort Macleod Junior Chambers Award | 1 | \$1000 | August 31 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Top Junior Chambers student Program is open to applicants from grade 10, 11 and 12 Please see Career Practitioner for application |
| Trent Yellow Wings | 4 | \$500 | May | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduating from High School 90% or better attendance and Grades above 65% Acceptance into an accredited college or university full time |
| Glen Keeley Memorial Scholarship | 4 | \$2000 | August (date varies) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student who is registered at any post secondary institution Must be a Can. Citizen, AB resident and attended school in Fort Macleod min 1 year Good academic standing, demonstrates leadership, community spirit, and involvement in extra-curricular activities |

Alexander Rutherford Scholarship

No application time deadlines and can apply at any time during their post-secondary study period

[Alexander Rutherford scholarship](#)

Alberta Student Aid does an automatic assessment of your academic average for all three grades.

Alberta High School Scholarships

| Title (Link) | Awards | Amount | Deadline | Criteria |
|--|----------|--------|-----------------------|--|
| The Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary Alberta - NWT Command | Multiple | \$500 | August 31 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Students entering first year University, Schools of Technology and Art, Nursing ProgramsMust be a graduate of the previous or current yearFor criteria details and application, please visit the website |
| IODE Coronation Bursary | 2 | \$1000 | July 15 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">High school student entering any degree granting program in Alberta. The student must have resided in Alberta for at least 3 years prior to the application.Financial need |
| 4-H Scholarships –Alberta | Multiple | | May 1 | Applications open March 1 Eligability varies depending on the specific award. Please see the website for details. |
| High School Apprenticeship Scholarships | 900 | \$1000 | No application needed | Be a Canadian Citizen, Permanent Resident or Protected Person Graduating high school Registered Apprenticeship Program OR have successfully completed a Career and Technology Studies apprenticeship pathway through an Alberta high school |

Alberta Scholarships Categories

[Academic](#)

[Athletic](#)

[Citizenship and Leadership](#)

[Indigenous](#)

[Language](#)

[Technology](#)

Extensive list of Available at
[Student Aid Alberta](#)

Scholarships for Students with Disabilities

[Education for Life Bursary](#)

[Council for Exceptional Children](#)

[National Educational Association of Disabled Students \(NEADS\)](#)

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