

## Scholarship Information

### Scholarships VS Bursaries

- Scholarships are monetary awards based on academics, a specific area of study, or discipline
- Bursaries are monetary grants based primarily on financial need

### What's out there?

- BCHS Scholarship Booklet
- Websites
- Scholarships open to children of employees, memberships in special interest groups, athletics, post-secondary institutions, leadership, community service, academic merit

### Be prepared

- Create a Scholarship Portfolio (this should include everything you have done in your 3 years of high school)
- Discuss references and letters of reference with the person providing the reference well in advance; create a reference letter fact sheet for the person you have asked to be a reference (available from Student Services in the office and online)
- Attend scholarship/post-secondary meetings
- Ask questions and get answers
- Use the web
- Plan ahead

### Get it right

#### ➤ Search

- Read carefully – including the fine print
- Check out scholarship websites and your post-secondary institution of choice for entrance awards

#### ➤ Apply

- Complete the scholarship application form & **keep a copy**
- Enlist someone (probably a parent) as a proof-reader
- **Make deadlines** (close does not count) – this is the first filter!
- Keep extra letters of recommendation and transcripts on hand
- Follow-up with scholarship sponsor before the deadline to make sure your application was received
- Be honest, but market yourself – this is your chance to create an impression

#### ➤ Get the money

- Apply for as many scholarships that you are able to
- Make sure you meet all the criteria to receive the scholarship

#### ➤ Maintain your scholarship potential

- Keep your marks, athletics, leadership & volunteer work at the high level you started with when you initially applied
- Be positive and be willing to put in the work and time to apply for scholarships

## Websites

### Scholarships:

- ❖ <http://alis.alberta.ca/index.html>
- ❖ <http://www.studentawards.com/>
- ❖ <http://www.scholarshipscanada.com/>
- ❖ [http://bchs.spschools.org/?page\\_id=314](http://bchs.spschools.org/?page_id=314)

### Post-Secondary:

- ❖ University of Alberta  
<http://www.registraroffice.ualberta.ca/scholarships-and-awards.aspx>
- ❖ Grant MacEwan University  
<http://www.macewan.ca/wcm/StudentServices/FeesandFinancialInformation/ScholarshipsAwardsBursaries/GeneralInformation/>
- ❖ NAIT  
<http://www.nait.ca/33720.htm>
- ❖ Concordia  
<http://financialaid.concordia.ab.ca/scholarships/>
- ❖ King's University College  
[www.kingsu.ab.ca](http://www.kingsu.ab.ca)
- ❖ Athabasca University  
<http://www.athabascau.ca/>
- ❖ University of Calgary  
<http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/awards-scholarships.html>
- ❖ Mount Royal University  
<http://www.mtroyal.ca/Admission/MoneyMatters/ScholarshipsBursaries/index.htm>
- ❖ SAIT  
<http://www.sait.ca/admissions/paying-for-it/grants-funding-and-bursaries.php>