Scholarships, Bursaries & Financial aid: Useful links for students

Western Canada High School:

https://westerncanada.cbe.ab.ca/scholarships

List of internal and external scholarships and awards including regular updates

Alberta Student Aid:

https://studentaid.alberta.ca/

Alexander Rutherford Scholarship that you will apply for after you complete high school.

https://studentaid.alberta.ca/scholarships-and-awards/alexander-rutherford-scholarship/

DisabilityAwards:

https://disabilityawards.ca/

Help students with disabilities find scholarships and awards

Canada Student Loans

https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/education.html

Federal student Aid and scholarships

Scholarships Canada

https://www.scholarshipscanada.com/

Has an extensive scholarship, award, bursaries and grant database.

ScholarTree

https://scholartree.ca/

Has an extensive scholarship, award, bursaries and grant database.

EducationMatters

https://www.educationmatters.ca/

This is the website for CBE scholarships/awards/bursaries.

yconic

https://yconic.com/

Helps you identify scholarship opportunities based on your marks and program of choice

Indspire:

https://indspirefunding.ca/

Lots of varied scholarships and bursaries for First Nations, Inuit and Métis.

StudentAwards

https://studentawards.com/

Has an extensive scholarship, award, bursaries and grant database.

* When you go to apply for post-secondary, make sure you apply for any scholarships (check eligibility) they may have available.

5 steps to winning scholarships:

https://alis.alberta.ca/

1. Search:

- Identify potential scholarships from various sources. This includes checking university
 websites, government resources, community organizations, employers, and high school
 counselors.
- Don't ignore smaller, local awards as they often have less competition.

2. Apply:

- Check eligibility
- Complete the application forms carefully and submit them well before the deadline.
- Ensure all requirements are met and all necessary documents, such as transcripts and letters of recommendation, are gathered ahead of time.
- Save a copy of your application

3. Write the Essay:

- If an essay is required, it can be the deciding factor.
- Give yourself plenty of time to draft, refine, and proofread it.
- The essay is a chance to showcase your personality, experiences, leadership, and community involvement in a compelling way that goes beyond just grades.

4. Get the Money:

- Once awarded a scholarship, make sure you meet all conditions to receive the funds, such as full-time enrollment or maintaining a certain average.
- If you move, advise the scholarship donor of your new address

5. Maintain Your Scholarship Potential:

• Continue to work hard in your studies, maintain good grades, and stay involved in extracurricular and volunteer activities, as you may need to apply for more scholarships in the future or meet renewal criteria.