



**NOVA SCOTIA**  
**EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION**

**Educational Bursary Program**

### **NSEF Educational Bursary Program**

The NSEF Educational Bursary Program is a financial Bursary funded by the NSEF to assist NSEF members attending a post-secondary educational institution. Up to six awards of \$500.00 each will be given out yearly to active NSEF members who exemplify the objectives of the NSEF, if there are suitable applications.

The Bursaries will be applied towards post-secondary expenses at a recognized Educational Institute. It shall be applied towards full-time studies only.

Candidates will be selected on the basis of information contained in their application package and letters of reference.

Any candidate may receive this Bursary only once in their lifetime, however, an unsuccessful candidate may re-apply the following year.

The complete Application package must be received by NSEF by May 1st of each year. Only complete applications will be considered. Late applications will not be considered.

NSEF will not return any of the material submitted with Applications.

Only the successful candidates will be notified by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

The payment will be made directly to the educational institution and is not transferable.

NSEF may, at their option, print, reproduce and publish the successful applicants name and photograph in any medium, without further compensation.

NSEF reserves the right to withdraw or modify all or part of this Bursary and application process.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

1. Membership - Due to COVID, you must be a 2021 NSEF Member in Good Standing and either a 2019 or 2020 NSEF Member in Good Standing.
2. You must have lived in Nova Scotia for the past two (2) years and be a Canadian citizen or hold landed immigrant status.
3. You must be registered for or attending an accredited Post Secondary educational institute on a full-time basis in order to be eligible for the award. You must attend one semester after the award is received. **Please submit Letter of Acceptance if entering for first time.**

### **Selection Committee**

Winners will be selected by a committee of three (3) NSEF Board members, who will not receive compensation for this committee work. Their involvement is voluntary. Due to the need for impartiality, the names of the committee will not be publicly disclosed until after the selection process is completed. All personal information will be kept confidential and disclosed only to those parties on a need to know basis. The committee will use a predetermined scoring system to assist with the selection process.

## **Bursary Application Information**

1. **Applicant Essay** (maximum 400 word TYPED essay) to include:
  - a. When did you begin working with horses?
  - b. Include equine activities that you have helped to organize or have volunteered with in your Local area, Regional area, or National, if applicable.
  - c. List disciplines that you have participated in. eg. Reining, Trail, Jumper, Driving, etc.
  - d. Include current equestrian activities.
  - e. Why did you choose your field of study?
  - f. Include your future equine-related plans.
  - g. In what other community activities are you involved?
  - h. Please explain why you deserve this award and how it will benefit you.
2. Please submit **Transcript** of most recent educational institution. Transcripts for current year must include the 1st semester term complete marks. The school can fax or email a transcript directly to the NSEF at [nsefservices@sportnovascotia.ca](mailto:nsefservices@sportnovascotia.ca)  
Please Note: if you are unable to obtain an official transcript from the school due to COVID, PowerSchool Full Year Academic Achievement Screenshots from all high-school years will be accepted (available only on the PowerSchool on desktop, not the mobile app).
3. If entering university for the first time or changing institutions please submit your **letter of acceptance**.
4. **Written Letters of Reference** – Two references must be submitted. Direct email from your references to the NSEF is acceptable if received by May 1st. Please note: reference letters cannot be accepted if they are written by immediate family members.

### **Submit via one of the following:**

**Mail:** NSEF

5516 Spring Garden Road, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Halifax, NS B3J 1G6

**Fax:** 902-425-5606 ATTN: NSEF

**Email:** [nsefservices@sportnovascotia.ca](mailto:nsefservices@sportnovascotia.ca)

Applications must be **received** by NSEF by **May 1<sup>st</sup> of each year**  
Please complete the form below and submit it along your application package.

Updated November 2020

**NSEF Educational Bursary Application/Information Form**  
**Please PRINT clearly**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last name) (First name)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Age category: 16-25 \_\_\_\_\_ Over 25 \_\_\_\_\_

NSEF # \_\_\_\_\_

**Current High School/Post-Secondary Information:**

Name/Address/Phone # of Current Educational Institution

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**September's Post-Secondary Institution Information:**

Name and Address of Student Accounts of Post-Secondary Institution to which you have applied:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Program Applied For \_\_\_\_\_

School Year \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER**

I hereby acknowledge that all the information supplied is correct and that I have lived in NS and have met the bursary requirements:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Applicant)