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Educational Bursary Program

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Our Educational Bursary Program is a financial Bursary funded by the Equestrian NS to assist our members attending a post-secondary educational institution. Up to six awards of \$500.00 each will be given out yearly to active Equestrian NS members who exemplify our objectives, 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.

We must receive the complete application package by May 1st of each year. Only complete applications will be considered. Late applications will not be considered.

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

Only the successful candidates will be notified by July 1st.
The payment will be made directly to the educational institution and is not transferable.

We may, at their option, print, reproduce and publish the successful applicants name and photograph in any medium, without further compensation. We reserves the right to withdraw or modify all or part of this Bursary and application process.

Eligibility Criteria

1. Equestrian Nova Scotia Membership - You must be a current Member in Good Standing, along with a having been a Member in Good Standing the previous membership year.
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

Recipients will be selected by a committee of three (3) Equestrian NS 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 in which you have helped to organized, or where you volunteered your time.
 - c. List disciplines in which you have participated. i.e. 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 a **Transcript** from your most recent educational institution. Transcripts for current year must include the 1st semester term complete marks. Your transcript may be attached to your application or it can faxed or emailed by your school directly to nsefservices@sportnovascotia.ca
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 Equestrian NS 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:

Equestrian NS
5516 Spring Garden Road, 4th Floor Halifax, NS B3J 1G6

Fax: 902-425-5606 ATTN: Equestrian NS

Email: nsefservices@sportnovascotia.ca

Applications must be **received** by Equestrian NS by **May 1st of each year** .

Please complete the form below and submit it along your application package.

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Educational Bursary Application/Information Form

Please PRINT clearly and complete all fields.

Name: _____
(Last name) (First name)

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

Age: 16-25 _____ Over 25 _____

Equestrian NS # _____

Current High School/Post-Secondary Information:

Name: _____ Location: _____

Guidance Counselor/Awards Committee Rep Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

September's Post-Secondary Institution Information:

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

Academic Program: _____

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)