

INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Alberta Newsprint Company (ANC) offers a total of \$1,000.00 per year in scholarships to graduating Indigenous high school students in the Whitecourt area.

PURPOSE

ANC and its employees wish to support the broad needs of our community for trained, skilled, and educated Indigenous individuals to fill employment and community service roles in the future.

Our hope is that scholarship assistance will be an encouragement for local students to pursue a post-secondary education at an accredited college, university, technical school, or vocational institution.

ELIGIBILITY

Graduating Indigenous students who have not reached the age of 25 years old at the time of application are eligible to apply.

AWARD CATEGORIES

One (1) scholarship will be awarded to a student from any of the following schools:

St. Joseph School
Hilltop High School
Mayerthorpe High School
Fox Creek School
Overall (open to students at any of the above schools or a home study student)

Note: A minimum of **2 applicants** must be received for the scholarship to be awarded in any given year. If not, the scholarship may not be awarded.

DEADLINE

Applications must be received prior to 11:59pm on May 15th to be considered. Completed applications can be sent to:

scholarship@albertanewsprint.com

<u>APPLICATION CONTENT</u>

The application must contain the following information:

- A cover letter including an outline of the applicant's career objectives and how they support the purpose of the scholarship, such as financial need. As well, the applicant should explain why they are deserving of this scholarship.
- A **resume** listing the applicant's education and/or career experience.
- A letter of recommendation from a staff member from the applicant's school. This recommendation can be made on the basis of financial need, work ethic, community involvement, or academic standing.
- A letter of recommendation from a peer in the school or the community. This recommendation can be made on the basis of character, citizenship, or participation in community activities.
- A short essay on a written on one of the below topics. The topics are selected annually.

ESSAY TOPIC

The applicant is to choose one (1) of the following topics for their short essay:

What are the pros and cons of learning from home? What does a "Net Zero World" mean to you?

SELECTION COMMITTEE

ANC's selection committee will review the applications, confirm eligibility, and notify the scholarship recipients prior to June 30th of each year.

REGULATIONS

This scholarship must be used to pursue post-secondary education in Canada. Scholarships will be paid directly to the chosen recipient upon providing with ANC with proof of enrollment in post-secondary education for the upcoming academic year, with the understanding that the funds support the recipient's education-related endeavours. Examples of this include: tuition, fees, room and board, books, and supplies.

If a chosen recipient is unable to provide proof of enrollment for the upcoming academic year of their award, they will have one (1) year from date of being chosen to provide adequate proof of enrollment and receive the award. If they are still unable to provide adequate proof of enrollment after that year elapses, they will forfeit the scholarship award in its entirety. Exceptions to this may be considered on a case-by-case basis, at the sole discretion of Alberta Newsprint Company.

QUESTIONS OR INQUIRIES

Questions or inquiries can be directed to the Alberta Newsprint Company Human Resources Department at:

scholarship@albertanewsprint.com