

POLICY MANUAL



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PURPOSE:

Starland County Council wishes to support students pursuing post-secondary education in Trades, Academic and in Agricultural fields and wish to create an opportunity through financial assistance for those individuals as they make meaningful contributions to their community.

DEFINITIONS:

1. **Eligible Student** – means a student who meets the scholarship criteria established in the general principles for selection
2. **Council** – duly elected Councillors of Starland County.

POLICY

1. Starland County Council will dedicate \$1,000 in the annual operating budget for each of the three County issued scholarships being:
 - a. Academic Scholarship
 - b. Agricultural Scholarship
 - c. Trades Scholarship
2. Student must be enrolled in their field of study at a recognized post-secondary institution that is related to the scholarship they are applying.
3. The scholarships will be awarded to students who are a resident within the outer Starland County boundaries (when not attending post-secondary). This means village residents are included.
4. Starland County Council will appoint a yearly Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship Review Committee before May 1st of each year. If no scholarship review committee is available on September 1st, Starland County Council will assume the roles and responsibilities of the scholarship review committee.
5. The scholarship review committee will follow the judging criteria as defined in this policy when choosing the recipients of the scholarship.
6. If a member of the scholarship review committee knows of an applicant prior to the finalization of that years judging criteria, the member must disclose this to other members of the committee in advance.
7. Scholarships are not available to former recipients of any of Starland County scholarships
8. The applicants must not have any previous degrees or diplomas other than from High School.
9. If no one applies for any of the scholarships the funding will be reallocated elsewhere and not carried over to next year.



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JUDGING CRITERIA

Applicants in each of the scholarship categories, will be chosen based on the following scoring categories:

- 25% contribution to society letter
- 25% transcripts/marks
- 25% community involvement
- 25% professionalism in application

PROCEDURE

1. No applications for scholarships are to be accepted before May 1st or later than August 31st of each year.
2. Application forms will be available online or at the Starland County Administration office.
3. Applications must be submitted by mail or given to the front desk of the Starland County Administration office. Applications should be clearly marked they are for the Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship.
4. The deadline for applications will be end of day of August 31st of each year.
5. Only completed applications will be considered.
6. Applicants must submit a transcript of their two most recent semesters with their application (a working copy is acceptable).

PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

1. Successful applicants will be notified by Starland County Administration.
2. The successful applicant (following the receipt of an acceptance letter from Starland County) must provide proof of enrollment through a receipt indicating payment of tuition, to Starland County Administration to receive scholarship funding.
3. Starland County reserves the right to publish the names of the scholarship winners.



SCHOLARSHIP

Leaders of Tomorrow

Starland County wants to make a better future for you, your family, and our County. Education is key in making that happen. The Starland County's Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship is an opportunity to support Starland residents to further their education. Starland County residents can apply to one of the following Scholarships: **Academic, Agricultural or Trades**

**APPLICATION
DEADLINE**
*August
31*

Apply to **only** ONE of the following Scholarships

Academic

This scholarship is for those looking to get an academic degree and where higher grades are the primary focus.

Agricultural

This scholarship is for those enrolled in an agricultural program in any recognized college or university.

Trades

This scholarship is for those enrolled in a trades program in any recognized post-secondary institution.

ELIGIBILITY

An applicant must:

- be a resident living within the outer boundaries of Starland County;
- be enrolled in a program within field of study at a recognized post-secondary institution;
- not have any previous degrees or diplomas other than high school;
- not have previously received this Scholarship.

An applicant must submit:

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- The completed application form which can be found at the end of this document;
- Proof of residency within Starland County's outer boundaries;
- Official transcripts of applicants high school marks (*photocopies are acceptable provided the photocopy includes the signature of a school official*);
- A brief resume of community involvement, volunteering, and recreational activities you have been involved in;
- A short letter of 200 or more words explaining your plans once you have completed your post-secondary education and training.
- For those applying for the Trades Scholarship, also include summary of program including any applicable apprenticeship details and which year of schooling you will be attending.

**All interested applicants may complete and submit their application
no sooner than May 1st and no later than August 31st**

MAIL

Starland County
Attn: Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship Committee
Box 249
Morris, AB T0J 2B0

DROP OFF

Deliver in person at the county office at:
217 Railway Avenue North
Morris, AB

PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

Successful applicants will each be awarded a cheque in the amount of \$1,000 upon receipt of confirmation of registration at a recognized post-secondary institution. Starland County reserves the right to publish the names of the scholarship winners.

**Leaders of
Tomorrow
Scholarship**



LEADERSHIP OF TOMORROW SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application Form

Choose ONE only

☐

Academic

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Agriculture

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Trade

Name:

Phone:

Birthdate:

Mailing Address:

Legal Address:

within County boundaries

E-Mail:

High School Attended:

Post-Secondary
Institute Attending:

Field of Study:

Name, Address & Contact for Two Personal References:

I declare that the above and attached information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date