

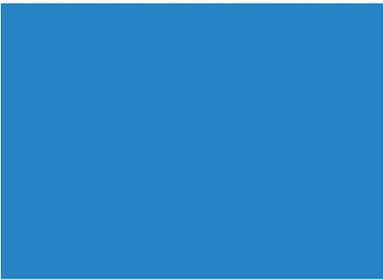
NAKUSP SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY

SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES 2025-2026



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A Little Bit about NSSSS:

The Nakusp Secondary School Scholarship Society is a Charitable Organization established in 1985. Under the Constitution, the purpose of the Society is “to assist worthy Students in furthering post-secondary education.” The Society consists of community members who donate their time, resources, and experience ensuring that you, as Grads of Nakusp Secondary School, can get as much financial help as possible for further education.

Scholarships and Bursaries are for “students attending university/college or a recognized trade school who exhibit good citizenship, leadership qualities and demonstrate strong academic ability”. Through the years, many students have been able to continue their education thanks to the monetary benefit of these awards. Awards in the amount of over **\$90,000.00** were presented to the Graduating Class of 2025.

Criteria: Students must apply for the Scholarship or Bursary to qualify for the award. Each award sets their own criteria. The Society will administer the funds (unless otherwise specified). The funds will be sent to the educational institution upon proof of registration. Recipients have three years to claim the funds.

Email the NSSSS at nakusp.scholarships@telus.net if you have any questions.

How to Apply

1. **Apply** for as many scholarships as possible. Be prepared to spend time and effort; successful applications are the result of care, good supporting documents, and attention to detail.
2. **Begin early.** Request reference letters and transcripts well in advance of the deadlines. Keep a copy of these for your own records, as you may need it multiple times.
3. **Be realistic.** Choose the scholarships and bursaries for which you are eligible. Make sure that you meet the criteria and follow the instructions carefully and accurately.
4. **Read the fine print.** If you are unsure of the instructions, ask for clarification. If an award is restricted, include detailed and precise information that identifies your eligibility for the award.
5. **Revise and edit** until your application follow’s a logical order. Ask someone you trust to proofread your documentation and then correct any issues found. Practice makes perfect and neatness counts.
6. **Keep a record of all submissions.** It may be very useful if there is a problem with uploading or if someone asks you for clarification in regard to information you have provided on a particular application. Blind copy (BCC) each application to yourself.
8. **Check all application dates and deadlines.** Submit application early, in case of unavoidable delays. A missed deadline is a missed opportunity.

Scholarship Package Directions: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Your Application Cover Letter:

1. USE ONLY A WORD DOCUMENT or PDF – Do not use google docs!
2. Introduce yourself - Tell us a little bit about you including but not limited to, who your parents are, how long you have lived in the area and your personal aspirations.
3. Tell us what your future education plans are and why you are worthy of the award you are applying for. How will receiving the award benefit you?
4. Tell us if you have applied to and/or been accepted to an educational institution or program. If you are taking a gap year list the reason(s) why.
5. Tell us how you plan to pay for your education & what your financial needs are (Do not list dollar amounts please).
6. Be specific in each letter – make sure you meet the criteria of each scholarship or bursary and be prepared to make changes or write a separate letter to highlight criteria

Your Supporting Documentation:

1. An up-to-date Resume
2. Diploma Verification Form - ask the office or school counsellor for your most recent copy of this document – the DVR is our preference as it tells us if you are on track to graduate and breaks down your credits and courses. This document MUST accompany the package, or it will be deemed incomplete and you will be disqualified from applying for the award.
3. Reference Letters – these are optional but can be a valuable asset to your application. PLEASE NOTE THAT REFERENCE LETTERS FROM TEACHERS/ADMINISTRATORS ARE NOT ACCEPTED. These should come from a member of the community, employer, coach or religious leader.
4. Certificates – these are also optional but if they are relevant to your application and show that you have already completed some training related to your future, it is great to show potential donors that you are planning ahead.

Your completed application should be in this order:

1. Cover Letter
2. Resume
3. DVR/Transcript
4. Reference Letters/Certificates (optional)

Before uploading your application package – take one last minute to review it for errors, grammar and neatness. It is good practice to reduce the number of attachments you send with each application. We recommend you convert your supporting documents into one PDF. (Resume, DVR, Reference Letters/Certificates) and attach along with your letter.

Group 1 – Community Scholarships & Bursaries

Arrow Lakes Arts Council

Arrow Lakes Health Care Auxiliary

Arrow Lakes Hospital Foundation

Canadian Mountain Holidays Scholarship

CUPE Local 2450 Bursary

Hospital Employees Union Bursary

Kootenay Savings Credit Union

Nakusp & District Chamber of Commerce Bursary

Royal Canadian Legion Br 203 Edgewood

Royal Canadian Legion Br 20 Nakusp (Gaming)

Royal Canadian Legion Br 20 Nakusp (Poppy Fund)

School District No. 10 District Authority Award

SD 10 Board of Education Bursary

Group 1 - Scholarships & Bursaries

***When emailing, be sure to put the scholarship/bursary name in the subject line**

Arrow Lakes Arts Council

This award is given to a Grade 12 student at NSS who will be pursuing an education in the arts or in an arts related field at a post-secondary institution. The student has demonstrated a high caliber of artistic talent in his or her chosen field and has demonstrated an interest and involvement in the arts community and participation in events within that community.

Applicants must submit a letter of application and resume indicating the rationale for their candidacy. Videotaped applications will ALSO be accepted. Applications must be received no later than May 15.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Arrow Lakes Arts Council Bursary at aldacs2020@gmail.com

Arrow Lakes Health Care Auxiliary

The Arrow Lakes Hospital Auxiliary will provide up to three bursaries to graduating students of Nakusp Secondary School who are pursuing their education in a healthcare related field. Applicants must be a resident in Arrow Lakes School District No. 10.

Fifty percent of each bursary will be paid upon proof of full-time enrollment in a post-secondary institution. The balance will be paid upon submission of proof of successful completion of the first term/semester and proof of full-time enrollment for a second term.

**MAIL TO: PRESIDENT
 ARROW LAKES HEALTH CARE AUXILIARY
 PO BOX 519
 NAKUSP, BC
 VOG 1R0**

OR HAND DELIVER TO: HOSPITAL AUXILIARY THRIFT SHOP 418 BROADWAY ST. ATTENTION: WENDY BRUNEAU

Arrow Lakes Hospital Foundation Scholarship (1993)

The Foundation will award up to three bursaries in any given year. "The Arrow Lakes Hospital Foundation was established in 1982 to raise funds and accept donations for the Arrow Lakes Hospital. One of the goals of the foundation is to provide bursaries to people wishing to further their education in health-related fields. Applications will be accepted only from students who are pursuing a career in a Health-related field. Preference will be given to those students who have demonstrated an interest in health care through volunteer work and/or work experience programs. "Fifty percent of the bursary will be paid upon submission of Proof of Enrollment at a post-secondary institution and the balance upon submission of proof of successful completion of the first term/semester." **EMAIL APPLICATION TO: AL Hospital Foundation Bursary to: alhfoundation@hotmail.com**

Canadian Mountain Holidays Scholarship for Nakusp Secondary School

To be eligible for the award students need to meet the following criteria:

1. The award recipients must attend a recognized post-secondary institution (University, College, or Technical Institute) or a PCTIA approved institution. PCTIA (Private Career Training Institutions Agency) is the regulatory body for private career training institutions in BC. PCTIA sets basic education standards for registered private career training institutions in British Columbia and establishes standards of quality which must be met by accredited institutions.
2. Recipients will be well-rounded individuals, demonstrating an interest in academics, the environment, outdoor pursuits, and community activities.
3. Ideally, the recipient will pursue a career in adventure tourism, hospitality operations, outdoor education, food services, massage therapy, maintenance-related trades and/or environmental studies.
4. Recipients have approximately 15 months to use the award. An extension may be negotiated, if necessary, by contacting Stephanie Hall.
5. Award payments will be forwarded directly to the student upon proof of registration.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: CMH Scholarship for NSS to: mpeter@cmhheli.com

The Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 2450 Bursary

The Canadian Union of Public Employees (Local 2450) represent Education Assistants, Bus Drivers, Library Clerks, Administrative Assistants, Maintenance Workers and Custodians of School District 10, as well as employees of the Village of Nakusp Office, Public Works Department, Parks and Recreation Department and Nakusp Hot Springs & Chalets. A Bursary will be provided to a son or daughter of an active C.U.P.E. member. The Bursary will be awarded to a School District Graduate who will be continuing their education. The recipient will have two years to claim the Bursary with proof of registration at a post-secondary institution. An extension may be granted with a written request.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: CUPE Local 2450 Bursary to: treasurer2450@outlook.com

Hospital Employees Union, Local 180

This scholarship is to be awarded to a Nakusp Secondary School Graduate who will be continuing their education. Preference will be given to applicants in the following order:

- Active Union Member's Children
- Active Union Member's Grandchildren
- Active Union Member's nephew or niece
- Active Union Member's other family members

The bursary will not be awarded if a student does not meet the above criteria. Applicants have one year to claim their Bursary unless it is established that there is a longer waiting list for a career choice. Students must advise the H.E.U. by letter as to the expected date of enrollment. **EMAIL APPLICATION TO: subject line:**

Hospital Employees Union Bursary to: tamara.zeleznik@interiorhealth.ca

Kootenay Savings Credit Union

KSCU offers one bursary to a deserving student, graduating from Nakusp Secondary School. The student must be proceeding to a university, college, vocational or technology school and has demonstrated satisfactory academic performance.

Students or parents must be members of the Kootenay Savings Credit Union to qualify for this award.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Kootenay Savings Credit Union to: nakusp.scholarships@telus.net

*Additional Award:

Kootenay Savings Credit Union also sponsors a bursary for a graduating student who has been accepted into a Forestry Program in British Columbia. Please indicate on your resume if you are accepted into a Forestry Program.

Nakusp Chamber of Commerce: (2010)

The Nakusp & District Chamber of Commerce will award to one or more NSS graduating students this bursary to assist with post-secondary education in the field of business or tourism/hospitality. The Bursary amounts do vary from year to year.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Nakusp Chamber of Commerce Bursary to: nakuspvisitorcentre@gmail.com

Royal Canadian Legion Branch #203 Edgewood

The members of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 203 of Edgewood will be awarding two bursaries to graduating students of Nakusp Secondary School. One bursary will be from monies earned from gaming and the other from the Poppy Fund. Preference will be given to children or grandchildren of Legion Members or Veterans. If no children or grandchildren apply, other applicants will be considered.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Legion Branch #203 Bursary to: rclb203@gmail.com

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 20 Gaming Bursary

The Legion will be awarding four bursaries to graduating students of Nakusp Secondary School. The bursaries are taken from monies earned from gaming. Preference will be given to children or grandchildren of Legion members or Veterans, although decisions may also be made based on academic achievement. The recipient must continue their education.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Legion Br. 20 - Gaming Bursary to: legionna@columbiacable.net

Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 20 – Poppy Bursary

There is a separate application for this award – please pick up from the school office.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Legion Br.20 Poppy Bursary to: legionna@columbiacable.net

School District 10 Authority Scholarship award

The School Board policy regulations and application forms are included. You can obtain a copy of the application forms from the office as well. **Students must provide the Board Committee with the application no later than April 30 of the school year. Hand Deliver to the School Board Office at 98 6th Avenue, Nakusp.**

The School Board will award a scholarship to a student who achieves a high standard of academic excellence in fields **other than academic**.

Candidates must submit the application form, a personal resume and future education and career plans to the District Office, along with an outline of a research essay, a project, experiment or presentation they wish to complete. Candidates are recommended to contact a teacher advisor to give guidance and will be required to attend an interview with the District Scholarship Committee.

School District 10/ Authority Scholarship Award Criteria

Overview:

The District/Authority Scholarships recognize graduation students for excellence in their chosen areas of interest or strength (non-academic). These scholarships are intended to assist students with tuition for furthering post-secondary education.

The Ministry allocates 5500 awards, pro-rated to school districts and independent school authorities based on their September 30th Grade 12 enrolments. The award is a voucher that can be used toward post-secondary tuition.

Qualifying for a District/Authority Scholarship

As set out by the Ministry of Education, to win a scholarship, a student must:

- 1) Meet the basic eligibility requirements as outlined by the Ministry of Education. For a full list, please visit the Ministry website.**
- 2) Meet criteria determined by the local board *scholarships committee, which requires a student to demonstrate outstanding achievement in any of the following areas of interest:**

A) Indigenous Languages and Culture

B) Fine Arts (i.e. Visual Arts, Dance Drama, Music)

C) Applied Skills (i.e. Business Education, Technology Education, Home Economics)

D) Physical Activity (i.e. Athletics, Dance, Gymnastics, not limited to Physical Education)

E) International Languages

F) Community Service (i.e. Volunteer Activity)

G) Technical and Trades Training (i.e. Carpentry, Automotive, Mechanics, Cook Training)

3) Fulfill the BC Graduation requirements for either the 2018 Graduation Program or the Adult Graduation Program by August 31st of the student's graduating year.

4) Has not previously received a District/Authority Award or Scholarship

There are two parts to this award application process. Part A is the application and Part B is an in-person interview with the Scholarship Committee.

Part A- Application

5) Student must provide the Board Committee with the following information no later than April 30th of the current school year, by delivery to the School Board Office:

- a) District/Authority Scholarship Application Form
- b) A list of all courses taken in Grades 11 and 12 with grades (Transcript or Diploma Verification)
- c) Personal resume (highlighting skills pertinent to the scholarship application)
- d) Two letters of reference (one must be a staff member of the school)
- e) A short statement of future educational and career plans
- f) A one-page outline of the presentation showing how the applicant will highlight their achievement based on outstanding achievement in one of the areas of interest as outlined in point 2

6) Candidates are encouraged to request teacher or school counsellor assistance to give guidance in the selection, preparation and presentation of their essay, project or presentation.

Part B – Interview

7) Shortlisted candidates will be required to attend an interview with the Scholarship Committee, to discuss and to demonstrate their outstanding achievement(s) in their chosen area of interest.

8) Interviews will be scheduled between mid to end of May

9) The Presentation to the interview committee may take the form of: *research essay, project or experiment, visual presentation, practical demonstration, other means of demonstration learning.*

10) Successful recipients will be notified by presentation at the Graduation Ceremonies

*The Board or Education will establish a District Scholarship Committee, which shall include at least two Trustees.



District/Authority Scholarship Award

Application Form

Date: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

SD #10 School Attending: _____

Applicant Attachment Checklist:

- Transcript
- Personal Resume
- Letters of Reference (2)
- Future Education and Career Plans Statement
- Outline of Presentation (one page)

The Board of Education Award (2000)

The School Board policy regulations and application forms are included below. You can also obtain a copy of the application forms from the office.

The purpose of the Mission Trustee Statement Award is to acknowledge the Grade 12 student who best exemplifies the attributes of the District Mission Statement.

Candidates are to deliver the application form, a resume and transcripts to the School Board Office at 98 6th Avenue, Nakusp.

School District Mission Statement

“Our Mission is to provide all our students with an equal opportunity to achieve academic excellence to the utmost of their abilities, to learn to manage change, to learn to live and work in harmony with others and their environment and thus grow into caring, intelligent and productive citizens”



Board of Education Bursary

Overview:

The purpose of the Trustee Mission Statement Award is to acknowledge the Grade 12 student who best exemplifies the attributes of the District Mission Statement. The district will award \$500 to one student. This scholarship is based on the interest accrued on the Board of Education's scholarship term deposit and may be reviewed as necessary. **Qualifying for the Trustee Mission Statement Award**

- 1) Candidates must be Grade 12 students graduating from a secondary school in School District No. 10 (Arrow Lakes).
- 2) Candidates for the Trustee Mission Statement Award must be able to graduate in June and must be a Canadian Citizen, have landed immigrant status or a valid student visa.
- 3) Candidates must provide the Scholarship Committee with a transcript of courses taken in Grade 11 and 12. Candidates must have achieved a grade point average of at least C (60%) in Grades 11 and 12.
- 4) Candidates must have achieved a grade point average of at least C (60%) in Grades 11 and 12.
- 5) The Board of Education will establish a District Award Committee to select the appropriate candidate for the award.
- 6) **Candidates are to submit the application form, a resume and transcripts to the School Board Office on or before April 30th.**
- 7) Shortlisted candidates will be required to meet with the District Award Committee to provide compelling evidence as to how they exemplify the District Mission Statement. The Student's presentation of evidence should take approximately 5-10 minutes.
- 8) The award recipient will be notified at the Graduation Ceremonies



SDIO SCHOOL DISTRICT 10
ARROW LAKES
World Class Learning in a Rural Environment

Board of Education Bursary

Application Form

Name of Applicant: _____

S. I. N.: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

SD#10 School Attending: _____

Please list up to five reasons why you qualify for this award:

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

5 _____

Checklist of required attachments:

- Resume
- Transcript
- Statement of future educational and career plans

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

Group 2 – Community Scholarships & Bursaries

Arrow Lakes Teachers Association

Columbia Power Corporation Scholarship

Kootenay Thunder Bursary

Michael Parker Memorial Bursary

NACFOR Bursary (Scholastic)

NACFOR Bursary (Trades)

Renewable Resources Bursary

Robyn Pazurik Memorial (CIBC)

Rotary Club of Nakusp

Save On Foods



Group 2

Group 2 - Scholarships & Bursaries

***When emailing, be sure to put the scholarship/bursary name in the subject line**

Arrow Lakes Teachers Association Bursary

The Arrow Lakes Teachers Association may provide two scholarships to students of Nakusp Secondary School.

The first scholarship will be given to a top academic student; the second may be given to a student entering the field of education

The student must:

- Be a graduating student of Arrow Lakes SD10
- Be accepted into a Canadian university or college
- Complete the application prior to May 15th of the graduation year

If accepted, proof of enrolment must then be provided in order to receive the bursary cheque

The DIRECT LINK to the application is here:

<https://arrowlakesteachers.ca/apply-for-the-alta-bursary-for-sd10-graduates/>

Columbia Power Bursary

Columbia Power Corporation (CPC) presents a bursary to a graduating student of NSS. The recipient of this award is: A student who has demonstrated a real desire to excel, but who has not necessarily achieved the highest-grade point average. The Candidate must register for full time studies at a post-secondary institution, within a year, immediately following graduation. The funding can only be applied against the cost of tuition and/or books.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Columbia Power Bursary to: Mike.hibberson@sd10.bc.ca

Kootenay Thunder (Nakusp Women's Hockey)

The Kootenay Thunder Women's Hockey Team is sponsoring an award to a deserving 2024 graduate. Applicants should have community service experience, be good citizens within both school and our local community, be going into a Trades program and demonstrate financial need.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Kootenay Thunder Bursary to: sheilamseaton@gmail.com

Michael Parker Memorial Bursary

“No trade will necessary last a lifetime, but a good foundation allows a person to evolve over time and adapt to change in the workplace.”

This bursary is in memory of Michael (Mike) Parker, an example of adaptability in the workplace. Mike was a First-Class Radio Officer in the Merchant Navy in England during the 1960's. While undergoing sea trials on a freighter, he literally ran aground in Canada where he lived for the rest of his life. For years, Mike repaired aircraft radios in the winter and worked summers on a tanker in the Arctic Ocean. Mike and his wife, Pauline, started their own aircraft radio (avionics) business first in the Okanagan, then later in Vancouver. Their business premises were always a meeting place for aircraft owners, pilots and maintenance engineers from around the world. They worked there for 19 years before retiring to Nakusp in 2006. If you saw a large white Samoyed dog in town, Mike and Pauline were close by.

This bursary is open to students pursuing a trade requiring a Foundation Level One Course. Preference may be given to electronics related trades or the horticulture/agriculture trades. Funds will be sent to the post-secondary institution upon proof of registration.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Michael Parker Memorial Bursary to: nakusp.scholarships@telus.net

Nakusp & Area Community Forest Bursary (2013)

NACFOR will present awards to two or more students graduating from Nakusp Secondary School. The bursaries are divided into two categories:

Students pursuing university or college education with preference given to fields related to forestry, environmental studies or science. (Scholastic)

Students pursuing further education in trades or technology with preference to field related to forestry or environmental studies. (Trades)

Applications evaluated on:

- Academic Standing of core courses,
- Extra-Curricular activities including sports, music and drama
- Community involvement and
- Post-secondary program of study
- **EMAIL APPLICATION TO:**

NACFOR Scholastic Bursary to: scholarships@nakuspcommunityforest.com OR

NACFOR Trades Bursary to: scholarships@nakuspcommunityforest.com

Robyn Miskulin (Pazurik) Memorial Scholarship

CIBC has made this scholarship available to any graduate of Nakusp Secondary School who is continuing their education in the Finance Industry; however, this is not a restriction, just a preference. The successful applicant will possess the following:

- P** – Participate...don't be afraid to get involved
- R** – Respect...respect every individual, everyone has something to give
- I** – Initiative...do not be afraid to try
- D** – Dependability...be someone others can rely on
- E** – Enthusiasm...be the "best" you can be

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Robin Miskulin Memorial Scholarship to: connie.zeleznik@cibc.com

Rotary Club of Nakusp Bursary

The Nakusp Rotary club is a member of Rotary International. Rotary International is the world's first service organization, with more than 1.2 million members in 33,000 clubs worldwide. The Rotary club's motto is "Service Above Self". The Nakusp Rotary Club Bursary will be awarded to a graduating student who best demonstrates commitment to service, co-operation and leadership. This includes all volunteer service, which benefited the school or community, a national or international program. A written letter of application must include an outline of volunteer service the student has contributed to the school, community or other projects, and describe what motivates you to provide service to others.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Rotary Club of Nakusp Bursary to: dannicholson@netidea.com

Save on Foods (Overwaitea)

The Save on Foods/Overwaitea Bursary is awarded to a graduating student who is continuing their education in the field of retailing, business or computers. The student need not necessarily be employed by Save on Foods. **EMAIL APPLICATION TO:**

Save On Foods Nakusp Bursary to: 2247sm@saveonfoods.com

Renewable Resources Bursary (2001)

Several members of the logging community have made the Renewable Resources Bursary possible. It is intended for a well-rounded student from the Graduating class who is pursuing higher education in any field related to natural sciences.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Renewable Resources Bursary to: hwatt@truenorthforestry.com

Group 3 – Community Scholarships & Bursaries

Reunion '80 (no application needed)

Ron Aldridge Citizenship (no application needed)

Arrow Lakes Historical Society (Harry Murphy Memorial)

Betty Walton Memorial Bursary

Bill Robison Memorial Bursary

Clark Kessler Memorial Bursary

Class of 1994 Bursary

Class of 1995 (Sports Bursary)

Class of 1997 Bursary

Class of 2000 Bursary

Class of 2001 Bursary

Class of 2003 Bursary

Class of 2006 Bursary

Dave Grimshire Memorial Bursary

Debbie Jones Memorial Bursary

Debbie Samuelson Memorial Bursary

Donna Wong Memorial Bursary

Erling Johnson Memorial Bursary

Garth Haggart Memorial Bursary

Gord Roberts Memorial Bursary

GROUP 3 – COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES (CONTINUED)

Green Door Bursary

Janice Buerge Memorial Bursary

Jason Ambrock Memorial Bursary

Joan Fowler Memorial Bursary

Logging Bursary

Nakusp Scholarship Society

Needles Reunion Bursary

Sarah Jackins Memorial Bursary

Sarah Stykel Memorial Bursary

Skills & Trades Bursary

Trinity McQuair Memorial Bursary

Vera Johnson Memorial Bursary

Ali Dieterman Hoshizaki Memorial Scholarship

Group 3

Group 3 - Nakusp Scholarship Society Awards *When emailing, be sure to put the scholarship/bursary name in the subject line

Group 3 - Nakusp Scholarship Society Awards

The two awards on this page do not require an application. They are chosen by the Staff of Nakusp Secondary and are awarded at the Graduation Ceremony.

Reunion '80 Award (1986)

In 1986, Ted Cusick and Barbara Abbey representing the Reunion '80 committee donated funds to the Scholarship Society to create both a cash award and a bursary for a Nakusp Secondary School Graduate who will be continuing their education.

Each year the NSS Staff selects from the graduating students, a recipient for the Reunion '80 Award for citizenship. This award is presented to a "student who has helped with extra-curricular events, showed a willingness to help teachers where possible, volunteered for class projects and was an active participant in school activities."

This award is divided into two parts, \$500 cash is the community part of the award, and the remainder of the award will be submitted to the post-secondary institution upon request of the student.

THERE IS NO APPLICATION FOR THIS AWARD

Ron Aldridge Citizenship Award (1987)

Ron Aldridge tragically drowned while snowmobiling on the ice in front of the Nakusp Wharf. Efforts to save him failed and he went through the ice. The first record of this award was in 1979. In 1987, Mac Falkiner representing the Ron Aldridge Memorial Fund Disbursement Committee donated the funds to the Scholarship Society to be used as a Citizenship award for a Nakusp Secondary School Graduate.

Each year, the staff selects a recipient for the Ron Aldridge Award for Citizenship. The award is presented to a student who has displayed good citizenship qualities towards both school and community.

THERE IS NO APPLICATION FOR THIS AWARD

Arrow Lakes Historical Society (1991) “Harry Murphy Memorial Bursary”

Harry Murphy (1914 - 1990) was one of the first members of the Arrow Lakes Historical Society when it was formed in 1984. He helped keep the Museum open, donated many items to it, and was the source of much historical information for the early history books published by the Society. Murphy lived in the Nakusp area for most of his life, and worked as a logging contractor, on river log drives, and as a contractor and motel operator. Named Citizen of the Year in 1988, Harry Murphy was recognized for his early contributions to Nakusp's TV Society, and the Launch Club. He had also served in local politics as Alderman, and Regional District Director; and was well known for his generosity to others in the community.

The Arrow Lakes Historical Society awards the Harry Murphy Memorial Bursary to a graduating student who will be attending a post-secondary institution. This award will be available to any student who will be continuing their education. The Historical Society will consider the applicant's future academic plans and their compatibility with the aims of the Arrow Lakes Historical Society. *Our mandate is: “To collect, preserve and provide ready access to archival materials which illustrate the history, growth and development of the Arrow Lakes, and outlying areas.*

An applicant who demonstrates a record of good citizenship, helpfulness and volunteerism, and a varied but challenging work experience would be preferred. When considering overall student grades, the Historical Society takes a special interest in achievement in Social Studies and English – especially in Grades 11 and 12. A list of marks and grades must be included in the application.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Harry Murphy Memorial Bursary to: alhs1234@telus.net

Betty Walton (White) Memorial Bursary (2011)

Family and Friends of Betty Walton offer this award to a female graduating student who is continuing her education at a post-secondary institution. The recipient will be someone who works well with others, has good communication skills and is involved in the school and community. Preference will be given to a student who is planning to continue their education in the field of education or a program, which works with children.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Betty Walton (White) Memorial Bursary to: nakusp.scholarships@telus.net

Bill Robison Memorial Bursary (2015)

Friends and Family of Bill Robison donated funds to the Scholarship Society to create a Bursary to honour his memory. He was a well-known resident of Nakusp and a teacher that was loved by his students. He had a profound passion for science and teaching and was devoted to the community. Mr. Robison taught three generations of students and spent countless hours tutoring outside the classroom, even after retirement. The Bill Robison Memorial Bursary will be awarded to a student from Nakusp Secondary School that intends to pursue post-secondary education in the sciences and has demonstrated community involvement. **EMAIL**

APPLICATION TO:

Bill Robison Memorial Bursary to: brobison@uidaho.edu AND

Bill Robison Memorial Bursary to: zrobison@uvic.ca

Clark Kessler Memorial Bursary (1991)

This Bursary was made available by the Grads of 1990 and from further donations on behalf of Clark Kessler. Clark Kessler was a Nakusp Secondary School Student who was tragically killed in an alcohol related vehicle accident. Clark was asleep in the back of a stationary pickup truck when another vehicle hit the pickup. An award will be presented to a student who will be continuing their studies at a post-secondary institution.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Clark Kessler Memorial Bursary to: lizachad@hotmail.com

Class of 1994 Bursary

The Grads of 1994 donated funds to the Nakusp Secondary School Scholarship Society to create an annual scholarship.

“The successful applicant must be of good character, involved in the community and the school, willing to accept leadership, courteous and work well with others, trustworthy and responsible. The applicant will be a student who is planning to attend a Post-Secondary Institution. (This includes trade schools, colleges and universities, but does not include upgrading.)”

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Class of 1994 Bursary to: cvolansky@outlook.com

Class of 1995 Sports Bursary

Isaac Saban and Prisa Sivilay started this sports bursary.

“It is the expressed wishes that this bursary be given to a student who showed dedication, leadership, hard work and sportsmanship to their sports team. The successful applicant should also be of good character, willing to accept leadership, courteous and works well with others, trustworthy and responsible. The applicant will be a student who is planning on attend a Post-Secondary Institution, (This includes trade schools, colleges, universities, but does not include upgrading.)”

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Class of 1995 Sports Bursary to: Mike.Hibberson@sd10.bc.ca

Grads of 1997 Bursary

The Grads of 1997 donated funds to the Nakusp Secondary School Scholarship Society.

“The successful applicant must be of good character, involved in the community and the school, willing to accept leadership, courteous and works well with others, trustworthy and responsible. The recipient will be a student who is planning to attend a Post-Secondary Institution. (This includes trade schools’ colleges, universities, but does not include upgrading.)

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Class of 1997 Bursary to: mjsmith9@telus.net

Grads of 2000 Bursary

The Grads of 2000 donated funds to the Nakusp Secondary School Scholarship Society to create an annual scholarship/bursary.

Preference will be given to the following:

- The applicant must be an active member in the grad class.
- The bursary is not restricted to academics or athletics.
- The recipient must express a positive attitude and be willing to help with fund-raisers and events.
- The recipient must be planning to attend a post-secondary institution.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Class of 2000 Bursary to: kimberlyxo@hotmail.com

Class of 2001 Bursary

The Grads of 2001 donated funds to the Nakusp Secondary School Scholarship Society to create an annual scholarship. "The successful applicant must be of good character, involved in the community and the school, willing to accept leadership, be courteous and work well with others, be trustworthy and responsible. The applicant will be a student who is planning to attend a Post-Secondary Institution. (This includes trade schools, colleges, universities, but does not include upgrading.)

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Class of 2001 Bursary to: brebrebre@hotmail.com

Class of 2003 Bursary

The Grads of 2003 donated funds to the Nakusp Secondary School Scholarship Society to create an annual bursary.

"The recipient of this award will be someone who realizes the following standards: **Minimum "B" average in academic courses.**

Demonstrates citizenship skills, active in extracurricular activities and Grad- not necessarily on executive. The applicant will be a student who is planning to attend a Post-Secondary Institution. (This includes trade schools, colleges, universities, but does not include upgrading.)

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Class of 2003 Bursary to: stephanieroger17@gmail.com

Class of 2006 Bursary

The Grads of 2006 donated funds to the Nakusp Secondary School Scholarship Society to create an annual bursary. The applicant will be a student who is planning to attend a Post-Secondary Institution. (This includes trade schools, colleges, universities, but does not include upgrading.)

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Class of 2006 Bursary to: brent.the.filmer@gmail.com

Dave Grimshire Memorial Award (2012)

Dave Grimshire was one of the founding members of the Scholarship Society. He was on the original Board of Directors in 1984. When he retired as a schoolteacher from NSS in 1999, he continued to work on the Society. In 2001, he became the Chairperson of the finance committee. After a 10-month battle with cancer, Dave passed away on July 28, 2011. In 2012, the Scholarship Society formed the Dave Grimshire Memorial Bursary to honour his contribution to the formation of the Society and the management of the Society's finances. The bursary will be awarded to a graduating student who is continuing their education at a post-secondary institute. Preference will be given to a student who has demonstrated leadership qualities in both the school and the community. Dave's greatest contribution to the Society was in the field of finance and investments. Dave was a man of many interests. Some preference will be given to students who have interests in fields related to horticulture, agriculture, landscape architecture, sustainable resource management, climatology, environmental studies, alternative energy, trades, cancer research and education.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Dave Grimshire Memorial Award to: jeff_grimshire@yahoo.ca

Debbie Jones Memorial Bursary (2015)

The Family of Debbie Jones have donated to the Scholarship Society to create a Memorial Bursary in honour of her memory. Debbie was born and raised in Nakusp and worked as a teacher's assistant in the Arrow Lakes School District. The recipient will be of good character, display good citizenship and a desire to help others.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Debbie Jones Memorial Bursary to: haleymorganjones@hotmail.com

Debbie Samuelson Memorial (1991)

Debbie's parents, Carol and Bob Samuelson, along with Debbie's partner, Dennis Wilson, established this Bursary. Debbie was a dedicated Teacher's Assistant and helped many children. She had a smile for everyone, and she could see beauty in everything. Debbie enjoyed camping, boating, swimming, picking berries and mushrooms. Her favorite activities were fishing and horseback riding. She was an avid reader, talented writer, wonderful cook and everyone enjoyed her hospitality. The recipient will be a student who is planning to attend a university, college or trade school but does not include upgrading. The recipient will be of good character, display good citizenship and a desire to encourage and help others. It is the expressed wishes of Debbie's family that this bursary be awarded to a student who shares Debbie's love of the area and all its beauty. Some preference will be given to students who would like to return to the area after schooling is finished.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Debbie Samuelson Memorial (1991) to: nakusp.scholarships@telus.net

Donna Wong Memorial Award (1987)

In 1981, a fire destroyed Mr. and Mrs. Wong's house. Mr. John Wong and two sons, Gim and Herbert Wong, survived the fire. Tragically, Mrs. Marie Wong, and two daughters, Donna and Charlene, died in the fire. Donna had just started grade 7 at Nakusp Elementary and would have been a graduate in the Class of 1986. She was a grass hockey enthusiast. In 1987 the Grads of 1986 Student's Council donated \$850 and along with \$200 from John Wong, a bursary was set up in memory of Donna Wong. The first award was presented in 1987 by Donna's friend, Novia Thompson. This bursary is made available to a graduating student of NSS.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Donna Wong Memorial Award to: herb_wong@telus.net

Erling Johnson Memorial Bursary (2006)

Erling Johnson is considered the "Father of the Scholarship Society". In 1985, he approached the Secondary School and introduced the idea of a Society that would invest funds and use the interest to form scholarships and bursaries for graduates of Nakusp Secondary School. He started the concept himself by investing \$4000 in bonds and used the dividends to create the first Society Award of \$400 in memory of his wife, Vera Johnson. In 2005, the Scholarship Society formed the Erling Johnson Memorial Bursary to honour Erling's contributions to the formation of the Society. This award is available for any graduate continuing their education at a post-secondary institution. Preference will be given to students who have demonstrated leadership qualities both in school and in the community.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Erling Johnson Memorial Bursary to: suesuesuenagy@gmail.com

Garth Haggart Memorial Award (1988) Garth Haggart, a graduate of Winfield Secondary School in the Okanagan, spent many of his most enjoyable summers living with his grandparents, Marcel and Ed Milne of Edgewood. Garth's parents were both raised in Edgewood. In August of 1987, on Highway 97, near Penticton, Garth was killed in an unfortunate traffic accident. At the time of his death, Garth was a fourth-year student at the University of Victoria, which was made possible through a variety of scholarships & bursaries. Lorne Haggart, along with family and friends, donated funds to the Scholarship Society and started the Garth Haggart Memorial Bursary. This award is presented to a graduating student who is continuing their education at a post-secondary institution.

Mail applications to: Garth Haggart Memorial Award (1988)

**401 Townsite Rd.,
Edgewood BC V0G 1J0**

Gord Roberts Memorial Bursary (2015)

The Family and Friends of Gord Roberts have donated funds to the Scholarship Society to establish a Memorial Bursary to honour his memory. Gord was born and raised in Nakusp, graduated from NSS in 1993 and later started his own business. He spent many years volunteering with Nakusp Minor Hockey and was a coach in Minor Baseball. In 2005, he was elected as a counselor for the Village of Nakusp but in 2006, he had to resign when he and his family moved to Quesnel, British Columbia. He continued to volunteer in Quesnel for Quesnel Minor Hockey. He had a great love for the outdoors and lived his life to the fullest with a smile! Sadly, Gord passed away in 2011 at the age of 45. The successful applicant of this Bursary must be of good character and citizenship. Preference will be given to applicants who have been involved in extracurricular activities, sports and community.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Gord Roberts Memorial Bursary to: brett.roberts@homehardware.ca

Green Door Bursary (2013)

The Straight Arrow Youth Ops Society (SAYOPS) established this Bursary to recognize all the contributions that the Green Door youth Center provided the community youth. The SAYOPS used the Green Door to promote youth and family activities within the community. When the Green Door burnt down in 2006, the Youth Ops Society continued to provide youth and family activities for community. In 2013, the SAYOPS used funds to create the Green Door Bursary. The Bursary will be presented to a student who has demonstrated exemplary community service and who may be continuing their education in Humanities or Trades

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Green Door Bursary to: radellerombough@live.ca and trstockand@yahoo.ca

Janice Buerge Memorial Bursary (1992)

Janice Buerge completed her schooling in Nakusp, which included several years as an honour student. She graduated with the Class of '89 and continued her education at the University of Trois Rivers in Quebec. Janice intended to enroll at Cariboo College to ensure a career in Health Sciences. Unfortunately, Janice was killed in a single vehicle accident just outside of Nakusp on February 15, 1992. Janice was Queen of the Arrow Lakes and had an internal desire to excel at every challenge she accepted.

“The successful applicant must be of good character and citizenship and fulfill the following: Work well with others, excel in athletics, show an above average academic ability as well as have an exceptional pride and love in the community by being actively involved and have ambition and the initiative to excel at challenges accepted.”

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Janice Buerge Memorial Bursary to: tjansen@telus.net

Jason Ambrock Memorial Bursary (1990)

Jason Ambrock was a 1988 Graduate of Nakusp Secondary School. He was tragically killed in an altercation in Nakusp in 1990. That same year, Sheila Seaton (Fahlman) and Clive Toering created the first Jason Ambrock memorial bursary by donating \$1820 from the grad class of 1988 to the Nakusp Secondary School Scholarship Society. The first bursary was presented to Mark Bunt of the 1990 Grad class

“The Bursary will be given to a deserving graduate to assist the student in obtaining his/her educational goals, whether academic or vocational. “

The successful candidate must be of good character and citizenship and be a hard worker. These qualities will be considered as much as academic achievement when selecting the successful applicant.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Jason Ambrock Memorial Bursary to: sheilamseaton@gmail.com AND

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Jason Ambrock Memorial Bursary to: ctoering@telus.net

Joan Fowler Memorial Scholarship (1997)

Joan Fowler always lamented the fact that the “brighter” students often do not have any special programs available to them in the school system. She firmly believed that even a small investment of time, energy and resources in the brighter students would create a great return to society. Integrity is another quality Joan Fowler believed in. Often “the principal of the thing” counted, more than the expedience or convenience of a choice action. This combination of intelligence and integrity was her ideal in her teaching career and model for life. It was the challenge that she passed on to students. The students are the ones who are going to become our leading thinkers in ethics, science, technology, business, literature and most importantly, interdisciplinary problem solving. The Joan Fowler Scholarship is available to any graduating student who is pursuing further education at either a university or college.

“It is the expressed wished of the family that this fund be used to help an academically gifted student pay for university education. The applicant will be a student who is planning on attending a post-secondary institution and has a good average in English, Math, Social Studies and one Science.”

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Joan Fowler Memorial Scholarship to: arrowvalley@hotmail.com

Logging Bursary (2012)

This Bursary is made possible by donations from local Logging Contractors and will be awarded to a student who is continuing their education in any post-secondary institute. Some preference will be given to applicants who are continuing their education in logging related fields.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Logging Bursary to: nakusp.scholarships@telus.net

NSS Scholarship Society

The Community, through the Scholarship Society offers one or more scholarships to students continuing their education at a university of college through a university transfer program or trades program. The amount of these scholarships will be determined by the interest and dividends earned through the Society's investments as of March 31. Students must apply to the Scholarship Society to qualify for the award. The funds will be sent to the educational institution upon proof of registration. Recipients have three years to claim the funds. An extension will be granted upon a written request and reasons for the delay.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: NSS Scholarship Society to: nakusp.scholarships@telus.net

Needles Reunion (1986)

Fauquier replaced the Community of Needles when the Arrow Dam was built. When former members of Needles held a reunion, they decided to donate funds to the Scholarship Society to form a Needles Reunion Bursary. In 1986, Mrs. Phyllis Volansky donated reunion funds to create a bursary for a Nakusp Secondary School graduate. The Needles Reunion Bursary will be presented to an eligible student from the Southern Zone, who is continuing their education at a post-secondary institute.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Needles Reunion Bursary to: nakusp.scholarships@telus.net

Sarah Jackins Memorial Bursary (1997)

Sarah Jackins was a student of Nakusp Secondary School going into grade 11. On July 6, 1996, a drunk driver hit the vehicle she was a passenger in and tragically, she was killed. Sarah's 16 years were full and active. Her interests were music, drama, English classes and horseback riding. Sarah was very sociable and loved to be with her friends to sit and talk. She enjoyed being involved in the Arrow Lakes Theatre Society productions, her school band, teaching her pre-kindergarten Sunday school class and youth Bible Study. Sarah's career plans were to be a Primary School teacher or School Counselor. Sarah was everyone's friend and she had bright eyes and an eager smile for all. She is greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. For this reason, her family and friends have established a memorial bursary in her name.

"The successful applicant will be of good citizenship and character with a willingness and desire to help and encourage fellow students. Preference will be given to a student who wishes to further his/her education in either a credited or non-credited institute in the areas of Sarah's interests such as English, Music, Counseling or working with children and youth".

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Sarah Jackins Memorial Bursary to: iamcherylj@yahoo.ca

Sarah Stykel Memorial Scholarship (2006)

Sarah Stykel was an honest, caring and artistic person. She loved music and had an inordinate ability to play several instruments and do it well. She also had dreams of flying airplanes or building them and she pursued skills in math to help those dreams come true. She never became so obsessed with her goals to exclude those she cared about. Her life and dreams were sadly cut short at 20 years of age because of a freak car accident in Whitehorse in 2006. This bursary was set up to honour her memory of how she lived life fully and pursued her dreams.

The family of Sarah Stykel has made available a scholarship to an NSS graduating student. The award will be presented to a student who demonstrates a passion for musical achievement and strong citizenship as demonstrated by student involvement. Some preference will be given to a strong, diligent mathematics student with citizenship qualities.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Sarah Stykel Memorial Scholarship at pamelaisaacson55@gmail.com

Skills and Trades Bursary (2002)

Donations by local Contractors in the Skills and Trades created this bursary. The main interest is to assist those students enrolled in an apprenticeship for the trades. Several bursaries will be awarded to Nakusp Secondary School Graduates who are continuing their education to become qualified skilled tradespersons. All students who are pursuing a career in the trades are eligible for this award.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Skills and Trades Bursary to: nakusp.scholarships@telus.net

Trinity McQuair Memorial Bursary (2006)

Trinity McQuair was a fun-loving young man who was proud to come from a small town in the Kootenays. Trinity did all his schooling in Nakusp, with one year on a Rotary Exchange to Japan. Trinity graduated from Nakusp Secondary School in 2003. He left Nakusp to pursue his dream of working in the motion picture production industry. He was always promoting the small community to others. He loved wakeboarding, making movies or just hanging around with his friends. However, most of all, he loved his little brothers and was often seen mentoring others or giving encouragement to his brothers on the ski slopes or in the water. Trinity was tragically killed in a skiing accident while skiing with his friends.

The family and friends of Trinity McQuair have made a Bursary available to an NSS graduating student. The successful applicant will be of good character, display good citizenship and desire to encourage and help fellow students. Some preference will be given to a student who is continuing their education in the film industry.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Trinity McQuair Memorial Bursary to: bndmcquair@telus.net

Vera Johnson Memorial Award (1985)

This award is one of the first bursaries offered through the Scholarship Society. Erling Johnson invested \$4000 and used the interest to establish an annual Vera Johnson Memorial Bursary. It was first offered in 1985, two months after the Scholarship Society was formed.

The Vera Johnson Award will be presented to a graduating student who is continuing his or her education on a full-time trade apprenticeship or any articling program leading to a certificate or diploma, including a bachelor's degree.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Vera Johnson Memorial Award to: suesuesuenagy@gmail.com

Ali Dieterman Hoshizaki Memorial Bursary

This scholarship was established to honor the life and legacy of Ali Dieterman Hoshizaki, a former resident of Nakusp. Born and raised in a large, loving family, Ali was taught from a young age the importance of a strong work ethic and deep-rooted community pride.

Ali lived a life defined by creativity, peace, and devotion to her husband, Brian, and her children, Ross and Kim. Even when faced with a painful and debilitating illness in her later years, Ali found strength and joy through her love of the arts, her connection to children, and her lifelong desire to learn.

Upon her passing in November 2025, Ali's final wish was to support a Nakusp Secondary School student who embodies the same spirit she carried: a passion for creativity, a love for their community, and a drive to pursue further education.

We are looking for a graduating student who demonstrates:

- **Community Pride:** A genuine love for Nakusp and active citizenship.
- **Artistic Passion:** An interest in the arts (visual, performing, literary, or creative crafts).
- **Resilience and Curiosity:** A desire to continue learning and growing through post-secondary education.

Applicants must submit a separate letter to the Scholarship Committee detailing the following:

1. **Pride for Community & Citizenship:** Describe your involvement in Nakusp and what being a member of this community means to you.
2. **Personal Passion:** What are you most passionate about, particularly regarding the arts or your future studies?
3. **Impact:** What would receiving this award mean to you personally and academically?

Note to Applicants: The recipient of this award consents to their application letter being shared with Ali's husband, Brian, and her daughter, Kim. This allows the Hoshizaki family to celebrate your accomplishments and your future journey alongside the Scholarship Society and your peers.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO: Ali Dieterman Hoshizaki Memorial Award to: nakusp.scholarships@telus.net