

ABORIGINAL SCHOLARSHIP

Siwal Si'wes, the Aboriginal Education Department of Mission Public Schools, honours aboriginal students with scholarships to attend college, university, or other post-secondary institutions.

The award may be used for tuition, books or living expenses while in attendance at any post-secondary institution.

YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY IF YOU:

1. Are First Nations (status /non-status), Inuit or Métis;
2. Are in your final year of high school;
3. Meet the entry requirements to a post secondary institution.

HOW IT WORKS (Conditions of the Award)

1. Recipients must begin post-secondary study within three years of the date of the award.
2. Proof of registration as a full-time student and payment of fees must be submitted for disbursement.
3. All applications must be mailed to:

Aboriginal Advisory Council
c/o Siwal Si'wes
7466 Welton Street
Mission, BC
V2V 6L4

NOTE:

Students who have received a Siwal Si'wes Scholarship, can apply for an extension during the third year, before the deadline, by writing an explanation for the extension and providing proof of attending or/registration for school in the upcoming school year

FOUR SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AWARDED EACH YEAR

Two \$500 Scholarships
Two \$1,000 Scholarships

HOW THE SELECTION IS MADE: (Selection Process)

1. An independent group of Aboriginal Education Advisory Council members, along with community and School District representatives, review applications to make a final selection.
2. Scholarships are based on community involvement, student need and academic ability.
3. Successful candidates will be notified of the amount of the award in a letter from the Chairs of the Aboriginal Education Advisory Council.

HOW TO APPLY

- ◇ Applications must be hand delivered to Siwal Si'wes or post-marked by 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 1, 2017
- ◇ Applications must include copies of Term 1 and 2 report cards for grade 12.
- ◇ Applications must include a one-page (minimum 250 word) essay describing the:
 - applicant's future goals and reasons why he/she should be selected.It should include:
 - information about applicant's aboriginal ancestry and,
 - involvement in cultural and aboriginal community activities.
- ◇ Applications must include the following letters of recommendation:
 - *One from a teacher who knows the applicant well.
 - *Two letters of recommendation, one from a community member who is not a member of the applicants' immediate family and one from either a counselor, an administrator, a member of the clergy, a current or former employer or a band council member.
- ◇ Applications must include name, address, phone number and school of applicant.

BEST OF LUCK

AND

KEEP UP THE

GOOD WORK!

Did you include?

- ◇ Copies of Terms 1 and 2 Report Cards
- ◇ An essay of goals and worthiness for the award
- ◇ Letters of recommendation:
 - *One from a teacher
 - *Two from a community member who is not a member of your immediate family

***INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS
WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED***

SIWAL SI'WES
(Our forefathers' teachings)



Scholarships for Aboriginal Students in

Mission Public Schools

Scholarship Application

Deadline:

March 1, 2017

