

# BLACK CANADIAN SCHOLARSHIP

## Guidelines and Selection Criteria



**Purpose:** The purpose of this award is to provide assistance to a Black Canadian student in need of financial aid to further their education at an accredited post-secondary institution. The scholarship is to recognize a student who is actively engaged within the Black community, who demonstrates outstanding merit and leadership within the Calgary Board of Education. The Diversity, Equity and Human Rights Committee will consider special needs and circumstances as part of its selection process.

**Eligibility:** The applicant:

- (1) Must be a Grade 12 graduate in a Calgary Board of Education school in the year of application or in the year immediately preceding the year of application,
- (2) Must have been accepted into a post-secondary institution for the following year. Transcripts are not required. The Diversity, Equity and Human Rights Committee acknowledges the various lived experiences of members within Black community and the impact this can have on academic success.
- (3) Must submit a reference letter regarding involvement and leadership in activities within the Black community, either at school or in the community at large. The letter must address the qualities, character, citizenship, and attributes of the individual applicant, as well as actions of support and/or advocacy.
- (4) Must be registered in a first-year program of a post-secondary institution as a full-time student (full time as defined by the institution) by September 15 of the school year of application.

**Value:** One award of \$1000.

**Payment:** Successful applicants will be asked for their banking information so that an electronic funds transfer can be made.

**Selection Committee:** Calgary Public Teachers, ATA Local 38 Diversity, Equity and Human Rights Committee. In all matters concerning this award, the decision of the Diversity, Equity and Human Rights Committee shall be final.

All information received will be treated confidentially.

**Deadlines:** Application – deadline May 31 11:59 pm  
Applications must be submitted online to Calgary Public Teachers, ATA Local 38 no later than 11:59 pm May 31 of the year of application.

If applications are not received by the deadline, applicants will be disqualified.

Post-Secondary Enrollment Certificate Form – deadline September 15 11:59 pm or January 30 11:59 pm for those starting in January.

The Post-Secondary Enrollment Certificate can be downloaded from the application or the Local 38's website.

Please have the Registrar's Office of the Post-Secondary Institution you are attending fill in this form as quickly as possible. Post-Secondary verification letters are also acceptable.

Once the form has been filled out, please email the document in PDF Format to [reception@ata38.ab.ca](mailto:reception@ata38.ab.ca).

Due to classes beginning at different times in September there may be a delay with the Registrar's office completing the form. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the ATA Office receives the form on time.

If you have any problems with the application process, please contact the ATA Local 38 office at (403) 262-6616.

**Payment:** Please be aware that successful applicants will receive payment from the Local 38 Office in October in the year of application.

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