

A photograph of Cariboo Hill Secondary School, a large, multi-story building with a white facade and teal accents. The building features a prominent central tower and a long, covered walkway. A large, dark evergreen tree stands in the foreground to the left of the building. The sky is overcast and grey. The foreground consists of a grassy lawn with some fallen leaves, and a concrete sidewalk is visible on the right side.

**Scholarship Information  
Cariboo Hill Secondary  
2015-2016**

# Scholarship Presentation Overview

- **Financial aid is available**
- **General timelines**
- **What you should be doing**
- **How to apply for a scholarship**
- **General information on admission**



# Types of Scholarship and Aid

- Sponsored by the **Ministry of Education**
- Sponsored by **post-secondary institutions**
- Sponsored by **private organizations**
- Sponsored by **your own secondary school**
- **Student Loans and Bursaries**

# *Requirements for Ministry scholarships*

## \$1200 Student Achievement Scholarship

- Canadian citizen or landed immigrant
- Exams and marks from grade 10, 11 and 12

## \$1200 Dogwood District Scholarship

- Concentration of 5 courses leading to career, usually at a college/University (Applied Skills, Technical and Trades, Community Service, Art, Languages, Physical Education, Languages and First Nations)
- Good marks
- Good attendance and attitude
- 2.5 GPA C+ Overall Average.



# ***Value and criteria for these awards vary***

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- **Most university scholarship applications are due January/February. (Back East in November/December)**
- **Application can be made earlier**
- **Scholarship awards are based largely upon marks**
- **However, major awards require “other” involvement, including volunteerism.**
- **Entrance bursaries must demonstrate financial need**
- **Need must be above and beyond “the ordinary”**


A background image showing two men in business suits shaking hands. The man on the left is wearing a dark suit and a blue tie, while the man on the right is wearing a red suit and a red tie. They are standing in front of a light-colored wall with vertical lines, possibly a window or a wall panel.

# Sponsored by Private Organizations

- Many stress community involvement
- Others stress particular interests or skills
- See the **Scholarship Blog** for details.  
[www.scholarshipjazz.blogspot.com](http://www.scholarshipjazz.blogspot.com)

# Sponsored by Your Own School

- These awards have been set up for many reasons
- A number of them are specific to departments
- Several are from donations by school staff
- **Must have 3 or more teachers willing to say how great you are in class, that you attend house block and that your grades are exceptional. Overall well rounded student.**

A tropical beach scene with several palm trees in the foreground and a clear blue sky. The text is overlaid on this background.

# Helpful Web Sites for Financial Aid

## All of them are on the Blog

- <http://www.studentawards.com>
- <http://www.schoolfinder.com>
- <http://www.fastweb.com/canada>
- <http://www.scholarshipscanada.com>
- <http://www.achievebc.ca>
- <http://www.pas.bc.ca/resources/financial.htm> (apply online)
- <http://www.edupass.org> (for students bound for the United States)



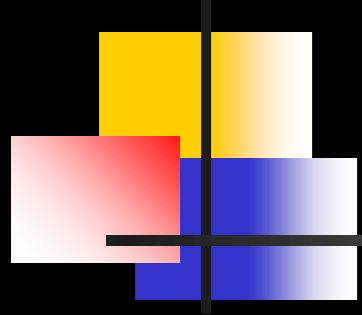


## October to December

- Make sure your academic program is correct
- Check with parents' workplace for financial aid
- Complete student profile
- Prepare resume
- Line up teacher reference letters using the Reference letter form
- Read Scholarship Blog regularly
- Search the Internet for financial aid
- Do the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) for US universities

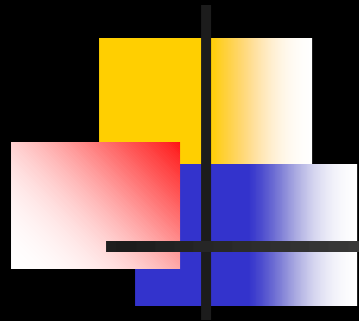
# January and February

- Watch for announcements from SFU and UBC on the blog and come and see me for applications
- Check and double-check deadlines. Applications are due before the due date no exceptions.
- Remember, some scholarships require you to apply NOW
- Recheck and update your student profile



## March and April

- Check post-secondary institutions for Scholarship info
- Keep your eyes open! Many applications are posted now
- Ask for reference letters as needed
- Allow *at least* two weeks for reference letters to be written
- Remember to thank your teachers and others who have written letter for you with a thank you card or small gift of appreciation for their time.



## May and June

- Due dates for some local scholarships are in this time period
- Make sure that your student profile is on file
- Be sure to write thank-you letters for successful applications to the organization who gave you the scholarship
- Inform us of your successes so that we can celebrate them (even if you don't accept the scholarship, we still want to know)

# Reference Letters

- Think about who you want to write reference letters for you
- The person you ask should know you quite well
- The “status” of the person is less important than knowing you
- You **MUST** give them a copy of your résumé and a completed Reference form
- You **MUST** give them at least **two weeks** to write the letter
- If you have more than one application, ask for multiple copies
- If the letter is confidential, you can only get one copy
- ***Do not request a letter unless you plan to use it!***
- If you need a principals letter for your application, please give go see Mrs. Montabello as soon as possible and give her the same amount for time as everyone else.



# External Applications

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- Follow the instructions on the application
- YOU are responsible for gathering info
- YOU are responsible for meeting the deadline
- You are responsible to mail out your applications
- **DON'T FORGET TO SEND THE APPLICATIONS BEFORE THE DEADLINE. THEY WILL NOT LOOK AT YOUR APPLICATION IF IT ARRIVES ON THE DUE DATE.**



# Scholarship Blog and Twitter

- ~~Updated fortnightly via the Scholarship Blog and Twitter~~
- Scholarship box (found in my room will have hard copies of the same applications as on the blog)
- Sometimes it is better to fill out the applications online for ease of typing and reading by the decision committees, print them out and mail them.
- Sign up for Twitter to get updates on your phone or email and follow @sandradasilva3.

***Please read the Blogs and application carefully!***

***When you read about an award or scholarship you would like to apply for....***

- **Pick up an applications from Ms. Da Silva or apply directly online**
- **Applications are filed by due date in the scholarship box.**
- **Pick up or download a Student Profile Sheet (if you don't have one) from the school website due in November.**
- **Pick up or download Reference Letter Request Forms (as necessary) from the school website.**





# *Remember...*

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- Attend all post-secondary information meetings.
- Be ready to ask questions - these are the experts!
- Do what you **can** with what you **have** from where you **are**

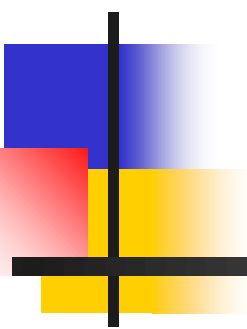
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# Why Apply no matter What?

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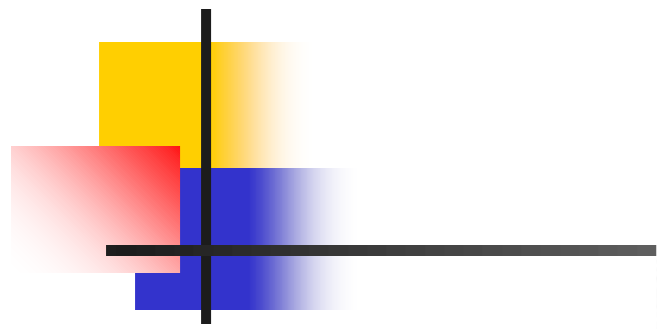
- ⑩ There is millions of dollars of free money out there.
- ⑩ Apply often to scholarships you are interested in.
- ⑩ The worst that can happen is they don't choose you.
- ⑩ The best that can happen is you get free money.
- ⑩ Scholarships are for every kind of student from academic, ACE-IT, the Arts, Applied Skills and Physical Education.
- ⑩ Most scholarship now want a lot of volunteerism in the school and community rather than grades.



In what Job would you get \$1000 for  
2 to 3 hours of work?

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Just Apply, what do you have to loose?  
REMEMBER TO SEND THANK YOU CARD  
WHEN YOU DO GET A SCHOLARSHIP.



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