

# **BENJAMIN HANCOCK MEMORIAL STUDENT BURSARY** **AWARD CRITERIA**

## **WHO QUALIFIES:**

Eligibility is limited to persons who on May 1<sup>st</sup> of the year of application are:

1. Single dependent children of members, (biological or adopted) and are 25 years of age or less,
2. Single grandchildren of members and are 25 years of age or less,
3. Have not received the bursary at any time previous,
4. The applicant is in their first year of post High School studies,

Members are defined as being in good standing and having paid full membership fees for the previous year as well as the current year in which the application is made and residing in Canada.

## **FIELDS OF STUDY:**

Any program that leads to a degree from a recognized university, as well as any program that leads to a certification of qualification from a recognized technical school or community college.

## **WHERE TENABLE:**

Any institution that meets the fields of study criteria within Canada.

## **NUMBER AND VALUE OF THE BURSARY:**

There will be –1- bursary awarded per calendar year for a total of value of \$1000.00 CDN, providing that the MSRA has a current bank balance of \$3500.00 CDN, at the time of the call for applications. MSRA also reserves the right to cancel the bursary with special notice to the membership for any one or more years.

## **RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARTICIPANTS:**

Award participants must be prepared to commence studies at the institution of study in the current year in which the application is made. It may not be held over from one year to the next. If the person who has been awarded the bursary is unable to attend in the application year the money must be returned to the MSRA no later than Oct 30 of the application year. The person receiving the bursary must provide the Bursary Committee with all the legal registration documents for the institution they will be attending indicating they are registered at the institution prior to Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> of the year of application. Provide the Bursary Committee with the process for payment to the

institution. Applications for the bursary should be made prior to the MSRA business meeting in July of each year.

**ITEMS NOT COVERED BY THE BURSARY:**

The bursary money may not be used for expenses such as: Lodging, transportation, food, entertainment, student fees, or surcharges, etc., while attending the institution.

**ADMINISTRATION:**

The MSRA Bursary Award will be administered by a committee consisting of –2- members at large, -2- members of the executive, and –1- person from outside the MSRA who has no vested interest in the MSRA. This committee will be responsible for payment of the bursary to the institution for courses or materials only, provided by the institution on behalf of the bursary winner. The selection of the winner by the committee will be final and without explanation as to why applicants were not chosen or excluded. If a member of the committee has a qualified applicant in the selection process they must remove themselves from the committee.

**OTHER AWARDS:**

There is no limit as to the number of other awards bursary winners may hold from other organizations in order to receive this bursary.

**METHOD OF APPLICATION:**

Applications will be obtained from the Bursary Committee by the club member who is sponsoring the applicant, on their behalf. In requesting an application as the guardian, parent, or grandparent you are consenting to allow the MSRA to verify all of the information provided by the applicant.

*I, the undersigned, do hereby consent to the Bursary Committee verifying all of the submitted information that accompanies the application that I am sponsoring.*

*Name* \_\_\_\_\_

*Name of applicant* \_\_\_\_\_

*Signature* \_\_\_\_\_