



The Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarship is awarded to 20 outstanding high school graduates who have demonstrated a commitment and aptitude for a career path in K-12 teaching. Winners receive a \$5000 scholarship voucher to redeem when they are registered and attending an approved K-12 teacher education program at one of BC's nine Faculties of Education. Visit [www.bcteacherregulation.ca](http://www.bcteacherregulation.ca) and select the Teacher Education tab for a list of approved programs.

Winners must redeem their vouchers within 7 years of their high school graduation. The expiry dates are shown on the vouchers. When redeeming, winners must provide a letter from their Faculty of Education confirming their enrolment in the K-12 teacher education program.

## Application

- 1) This application package includes a written statement, worth 60% overall, and the resume, worth 40% overall. It must be completed online in the format provided, printed, signed and submitted by mail. **Scoring guides** are available for reference. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- 2) Completed applications must be sent to the Ministry no later than **February 15, 2017**, to:

Provincial Scholarships Program  
Ministry of Education  
PO Box 9886 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria BC V8W 9T6

Selection of winners will be finalized after August 31, 2017.

## Eligibility

Applicants must meet **basic eligibility requirements** and:

- Be in their graduation year with graduation to occur by August 31, of the school year in which they apply
- Be eligible for a BC Certificate of Graduation (Dogwood Diploma) by August 31 of the school year in which they apply
- Have at least a:
  - "B" (73% or above) in their Language Arts 11 final mark
  - "B" average in final course marks that fulfill graduation requirements of Science 11 or 12, Math 11 and Social Studies 11 or 12, with no more than one "C+" (67% or above) final course mark, (marks lower than "C+" are not accepted)
- Maintain a "B" or better average in Grades 11 and 12 final course marks required for graduation
- Write and pass a Language Arts 12 provincial examination.

You cannot win both a Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarship and a BC Excellence Scholarship.

## Applicants must provide:

- Resume in the mandatory format;
- Two reference letters, one from your community and one from your school;
- Written statement, maximum 500 words, which must describe why you want to be a teacher.

## SECTION 1 - APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last name:

First and middle names:

Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy):

Personal Education Number:

Mailing address:

City/town:

Postal code:

Email address:

Phone:

Please check the boxes below to confirm that you meet the following requirements:

- I am a Canadian citizen or permanent resident (landed immigrant)
- I am a resident of British Columbia
- I am enrolled in or have graduated from the 2004 Graduation Program and will be eligible for a BC Certificate of Graduation (Dogwood Diploma)
- I will be graduating by August 31 of the year in which I am applying for this scholarship

## SECTION 2 - SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION AND VERIFICATION

Name of Secondary School:

Mailing address:

City/town:

Postal code:

Principal Email:

Phone:

Principal Name:

## SECTION 3 - RESUME

Please only include experience, activities, and recognition from **Grades 10-12**, starting with the most recent experience in each section. If you need to list more resume items, please attach a separate page using the same format. **Only resumes submitted in this format will be accepted.**

### SCHOOL-BASED VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

<b>Activity 1</b> (15 words max.):	Responsibilities (50 words max.):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Total hours:
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Role <input type="checkbox"/> Participant / Member		
<b>Activity 2</b> (15 words max.):	Responsibilities (50 words max.):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Total hours:
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Role <input type="checkbox"/> Participant / Member		
<b>Activity 3</b> (15 words max.):	Responsibilities (50 words max.):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Total hours:
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Role <input type="checkbox"/> Participant / Member		
<b>Activity 4</b> (15 words max.):	Responsibilities (50 words max.):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Total hours:
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Role <input type="checkbox"/> Participant / Member		

<b>Activity 5</b> (max 15 words):	Responsibilities (50 words max.):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Total hours:
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Role <input type="checkbox"/> Participant / Member		

**COMMUNITY-BASED VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

<b>Organization 1</b> (15 words max.):	Responsibilities (50 words max.):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Total hours:
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Role <input type="checkbox"/> Participant / Member		

<b>Organization 2</b> (15 words max.):	Responsibilities (50 words max.):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Total hours:
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Role <input type="checkbox"/> Participant / Member		

<b>Organization 3</b> (15 words max.):	Responsibilities (50 words max.):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Total hours:
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Role <input type="checkbox"/> Participant / Member		

<b>Organization 4</b> (max 15 words):	Responsibilities (max 50 words):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Total hours:
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Role <input type="checkbox"/> Participant / Member		
<b>Organization 5</b> (max 15 words):	Responsibilities (max 50 words):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Total hours:
<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Role <input type="checkbox"/> Participant / Member		

<b>PAID WORK EXPERIENCE</b>		
<b>Organization 1/ Job Title</b> (max 15 words):	Duties (max 50 words):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Average hours/week:
<b>Organization 2/ Job Title</b> (max 15 words):	Duties (max 50 words):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Average hours/week:
<b>Organization 3/ Job Title</b> (max 15 words):	Duties (max 50 words):	Dates: (mm/yyyy – mm/yyyy)  Average hours/week:

## SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

Describe your special achievements and/ or recognition from your school/community, including awards, honours or certifications.

<b>Organization / Name of Award 1</b> (max 15 words):	Why did you receive it? (max 25 words)	Date Received: (mm/yyyy)
<b>Organization / Name of Award 2</b> (max 15 words):	Why did you receive it? (max 25 words)	Date Received: (mm/yyyy)
<b>Organization / Name of Award 3</b> (max 15 words):	Why did you receive it? (max 25 words)	Date Received: (mm/yyyy)
<b>Organization / Name of Award 4</b> (max 15 words):	Why did you receive it? (max 25 words)	Date Received: (mm/yyyy)
<b>Organization / Name of Award 5</b> (max 15 words):	Why did you receive it? (max 25 words)	Date Received: (mm/yyyy)

## PERSONAL INTERESTS AND OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Describe any other relevant personal interests, accomplishments, or activities not listed above. (max 200 words)

## SECTION 4 - REFERENCES

Please provide two reference letters, one from your school and one from your community. Your school reference can be a teacher, counsellor, school principal or vice-principal. Your community reference can be a community leader, coach, instructor, volunteer supervisor, or employer. Your references should know you well, but cannot be an immediate family member or another student.

**Letters should be sent to the Ministry with this completed application package.**

### Instructions for references:

References are required as part of the application package for the Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarship. For more information about the scholarship, please visit [www.gov.bc.ca/scholarshipsprogram](http://www.gov.bc.ca/scholarshipsprogram).

- 1) You have been asked to write a reference letter on behalf of the applicant. Your reference will be confidential and is intended for use only by the ministry selection committee.
- 2) Please provide a signed letter on your organization's letterhead, identifying your role within the organization, relationship with the applicant, and contact information.
- 3) Please describe the applicant's:
  - Potential as a teacher
  - Organization skills
  - Communication skills
  - Interest in their community
  - Evidence of teamwork
  - Any other relevant strengths not listed above

## SECTION 5 - WRITTEN STATEMENT

In a written statement of maximum 500 words, please explain why you want to be a teacher. Please ensure that the following questions are addressed in your statement:

- How have your school and community experiences influenced your decision to choose K-12 teaching as a career goal?
- What attributes do you think an effective teacher should possess? Why?
- How have you demonstrated these attributes? Provide some examples from your life experience.



## SECTION 6 - DECLARATION

I understand that by signing below it means:

- I wish to be considered for the Pathway to Teacher Education Scholarship. My signature means that all of the information provided in this application is complete, correct, and accurate in every detail.
- The written statement is an original essay written solely by me.
- That withholding relevant data or providing false or misleading data in this application or otherwise in support of this application shall be grounds for the Government of British Columbia to revoke my eligibility for this scholarship.
- That all information provided in this application is subject to verification.
- That application material will not be returned.
- That the Ministry of Education may access my student records to verify school, transcript and graduation information.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please remember to sign and date the above line.

Please answer the following questions. Your responses will not affect your eligibility for receiving a scholarship.

**1) If you are a successful candidate, would you be willing to be contacted for the purposes of reporting or research?**

Yes  No

**2) I agree to allow my name to be released publicly if I receive a scholarship.**

Yes  No

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please remember to sign and date the above line.

### Collection of Personal Information

For the purpose of processing BC Excellence Scholarships, students' personal information will be collected under the authority of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Section 26(c). Students' personal information is used for the purpose of verifying eligibility, selecting successful candidates, and processing the scholarship payment.

Questions regarding the collection of personal information can be directed to the Ministry of Education contact listed below:

Nicole Couture, Director  
Education Program Delivery  
PO Box 9886 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria BC V8W 9T6  
[scholarships@gov.bc.ca](mailto:scholarships@gov.bc.ca)