## **Instructions for students**

You must submit two reference letters as part of your application for the BC Excellence scholarship. The individuals who write your reference letters should know you well, but they cannot be an immediate family member or another student.

- 1. School reference: please provide one reference letter from a school community member, such as a teacher, counsellor, school principal, or vice-principal.
- 2. Community reference: please provide one reference letter from a community member, such as a community leader, coach, instructor, volunteer supervisor, or employer.

Reminder: you must secure these letters in time to submit them with your application by the deadline of 11:59pm PST on February 15, 2021.

Please share the instructions below with your referees.

## Instructions for referees (due before February 15, 2021)

You have been asked to write a reference letter on behalf of a student applying for the 2021 BC Excellence scholarship. Students must submit reference letters as part of their application. Reference letters will be reviewed by the Ministry of Education scholarships committee for the purpose of assessing submissions and determining recipients.

Please prepare your letter on your organization's letterhead and describe the following about the applicant:

- their role in serving your community or school group;
- their demonstrated leadership abilities or service; and,
- their aptitude for and commitment to their chosen career path.

Please also provide the following information about yourself:

- your role within the organization;
- your relationship with the applicant; and,
- your contact information.

Please send the student a signed copy of your letter *before* February 15, 2021.

Information about the BC Excellence scholarship is online: <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/scholarships/provincial-scholarships/bc-excellence-scholarships">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/support/scholarships/provincial-scholarships/bc-excellence-scholarships</a>.

Questions? Please contact the Provincial Scholarships Program Team: <a href="mailto:scholarships@gov.bc.ca">scholarships@gov.bc.ca</a>.