

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AMBASSADOR SCHOLARSHIP NOMINATION FOR POST-SECONDARY ENTRY

Scholarship Information

The International Student Ambassador Scholarship for Post-Secondary Entry was created in 2015 for international students graduating from a B.C. public school, independent school, or B.C.-certified offshore school and moving into a B.C. public post-secondary institution (PSI) or a degree program at authorized private degree-granting institution. Eligibility for international students from multiple countries is now available.

B.C. school district Heads of International and independent school senior administrators are encouraged to submit a maximum of five (5) nominations for the scholarship.

B.C.-certified offshore school senior administrators may nominate a maximum of one (1) nominee for the scholarship.

Scholarship Value – up to \$1,250
Nomination Deadline: March 29, 2018

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Eligible Countries



Group 1 (Original Partner Countries): **China, Japan, Korea**

Group 2 (Recent MOU Partners): **Colombia, France, Italy, Spain**

Group 3 (Other Partners): **See below definition, purpose and nomination process for details**

Further Information for Group 3 Applicants:

Definition: Countries that are not traditionally strong sources of international students studying in B.C., or countries in which district-to-district or school-to-school relationships are less common.

Purpose: Engaging with these countries contributes to diversity for international education programs, fosters new relationships for B.C. school districts and independent schools, and increases opportunities for B.C. students to develop their intercultural skills.

Process: Nominations for Student Ambassador Scholarship for PSI Entry under the “other” category are required to provide a one (1) paragraph justification for how the country aligns with the intended purpose (above). Supporting documents should be attached to submitted nominations.

In addition to the above, the following criteria must be met to be eligible for the Student Ambassador Scholarship for PSI Entry. Nominees must:

- be nominated by a B.C. school district Head of International, or the senior administrator at a B.C. independent school or certified offshore school;
- be intending to enter a B.C. public PSI or a degree program at an authorized private degree-granting institution (see NOTE below for list of eligible institutions);
- hold a valid passport from an eligible country; and,
- achieve a high academic standard, including English language ability.

NOTE: Programs at public PSI and degree programs at authorized private degree-granting institutions in British Columbia are eligible for the PSI entry scholarship. Please consult the list of institutions and programs eligible for the [Post-Graduation Work Permit Program](#) in British Columbia to confirm the intended institution and program are eligible - institutions/programs on this list are the same as those eligible for the PSI entry scholarship.

Nomination Instructions

1. a) The nomination package is completed and submitted by the B.C. school district Head of International, or a senior administrator at the B.C. independent school or certified offshore school.
 - b) School districts, independent schools, and offshore schools determine their own process for identifying international student nominees.
 - c) B.C. school district Heads of International and independent school senior administrators are encouraged to submit a maximum of five (5) nominations for the scholarship.
 - d) B.C.-certified offshore school senior administrators may nominate a maximum of one (1) nominee for the scholarship.
 - e) One (1) paragraph justifying the "Other" category (if applicable).
2. This nomination package is separated into three parts:
 - Nomination Form (Part I) - to be completed by the Head of International (school district) or senior administrator (independent and offshore schools).
 - Consent Form (Part II) - only to be completed by offshore school students.
 - Statement of Support (Part III) - to be completed by the Head of International (school district) or senior administrator (independent and offshore schools).

For B.C. school districts, Parts I and III are required for each nominated student

For B.C. independent schools, Parts I and III are required for each nominated student

For B.C.-certified offshore schools, Parts I, II & III are required for each nominated student

NOTE: Successful nominees will be required to provide a Verification of Enrollment Letter from the B.C. PSI by September 2018 prior to the award being issued. A letter of acceptance is not required at the time of nomination.

3. Nominations must be submitted to the British Columbia Council for International Education (BCCIE) at bccie@bccie.bc.ca with a subject line reading "International Student Ambassador Scholarship – PSI Entry" in a single electronic PDF (i.e., please scan all documents together into a single file) by **March 29, 2018**.
 - **For student nominees from a public school**, the school district Head of International must submit the nomination package (Parts I & III) and all supporting documentation directly to BCCIE on the student's behalf.
 - **For student nominees from an independent school**, the senior administrator must submit the nomination package (Parts I & III) all supporting documentation directly to BCCIE.
 - **For student nominees from a B.C.-certified offshore school**, the senior administrator must submit the nomination package (Parts I, II & III) all supporting documentation directly to BCCIE.

NOTE: Late or incomplete submission packages will not be considered.

Award Evaluation

- Successful nominees will be chosen by lottery, taking regional considerations into account.
- Nominations that are incomplete or inconsistent with the goals and criteria of the program will be disqualified.
- In the event that there are insufficient nominations that meet the eligibility criteria, award amounts may be increased or funding may be offered to specific partners to support other similar initiatives.

Award Notification and Disbursement

- Successful nominees and their Head of International (school district) or senior administrator (independent and offshore schools) will be notified by email by the end of May 2018.
- A cheque for the full Scholarship value will be sent to the B.C. PSI that the student will attend for use against the tuition fees of the scholarship recipient by the end of September 2018, following confirmation of student attendance.
- Successful nominees may be contacted for testimonials and images at a later point to be used for promotional purposes, with their consent.

Collection of Personal Information

The collection of the personal information on this form is authorized as per Section 26(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, for public schools, or section 8(1) or 12(1)(f)(i) of the Personal Information Protection Act, for independent schools. The purpose of the collection is to determine the nominee's eligibility for the scholarship. The personal information will be shared with the Ministry of Education and the British Columbia Council for International Education which will make the final award decision.

Questions regarding the collection or disclosure of the personal information can be directed to the nominee's school officials or:

Lead – International Education

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Ministry of Education
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International.Education@gov.bc.ca
250-387-3711

Questions regarding the nomination form or process can be addressed to bccie@bccie.bc.ca

PART I - NOMINATION FORM - TO BE COMPLETED BY THE B.C. SCHOOL DISTRICT, INDEPENDENT, OR CERTIFIED OFFSHORE SCHOOL

For public school nominees, this form must be completed by the school district Head of International.

For independent school nominees, this form must be completed by the senior administrator.

For certified offshore school nominees, this form must be completed by the senior administrator.

A. STUDENT NOMINEE

Full Name (Given Name, Surname):

Country of Citizenship:

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy):

Province in Home Country:

Email Address:

City in Home Country:

B. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA (PLEASE CHECK)

Nominee is:

- graduating from a B.C. public school, independent school, or certified offshore school nominated by a B.C. school district, independent school or certified offshore school
- intending to enter a B.C. public PSI or a degree program at an authorized private degree-granting institution
- a valid passport holder from an eligible country

Eligible Country Categories

Please check one (1) that applies:

- 1) Original Partner Countries: China, Japan, Korea
- 2) Recent MOU Partners: Colombia, France, Italy, Spain
- 3) Other Partners - Please indicate country:

C. ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

Please include the following in the nomination:

Written Statement - With the nomination, please ensure you include a Written Statement by the student of no more than one (1) page that addresses the following point:

Student's understanding of what an "ambassador" is, and how they might fulfill the role of an ambassador as an international student in B.C. (representing their country) and as an ambassador of B.C. (in their home country)

Transcript - With the nomination, please include an official or school copy of the student's transcript
One (1) paragraph justifying the "other" category (if applicable)

D. SCHOOL DISTRICT, INDEPENDENT SCHOOL, OR CERTIFIED OFFSHORE SCHOOL

Name of School:

Region (please refer to the [map](#) on the ministry website):

Name of School District for public schools or City and Province for B.C.-Certified Offshore School:

PART II – DECLARATION OF NOMINEE - TO BE COMPLETED BY B.C.-CERTIFIED OFFSHORE SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY

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I CONSENT TO THE USE AND DISCLOSURE, FROM THE TIME OF THE SUBMISSION OF MY NOMINATION, OF

- my name and contact information and
- the name of my school

by the Ministry of Education and the British Columbia Council for International Education for the purposes of notifying my offshore school and myself of successful award receipt.

X

Name of Student Nominee

X

Signature of Student Nominee

X

Today's Date

PART III – STATEMENT OF SUPPORT - TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SCHOOL'S SENIOR ADMINISTRATOR FOR B.C. INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS AND B.C.-CERTIFIED OFFSHORE SCHOOLS, OR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT HEAD OF INTERNATIONAL FOR B.C. PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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The purpose of this section is to ensure that the nominee has the support of the:

- School's senior administrator for B.C. independent schools and B.C.-certified offshore schools; or,
- School district Head of International for B.C. public schools.

Full Name (Given Name, Surname):

Position:

Name of School District, Independent School, or certified Offshore School:

Telephone Number:

Email Address:

I support this nomination.

X

Signature of Head of International or Senior Administrator

X

Today's Date

Submission Instructions

B.C.-Certified Offshore School

The senior administrator must submit the entire nomination package (Parts I, II & III) and all supporting documentation directly to the British Columbia Council for International Education (BCCIE) at bccie@bccie.bc.ca with a subject line reading "2017-2018 Student Ambassador Scholarship – PSI Entry" in a single electronic PDF (i.e., please scan all documents together into a single file).

Independent School

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Public School

The school district Head of International must submit the entire nomination package (Parts I & III) and all supporting documentation on the student's behalf to the British Columbia Council for International Education (BCCIE) at bccie@bccie.bc.ca with a subject line reading "2017-2018 Student Ambassador Scholarship – PSI Entry" in a single electronic PDF (i.e., please scan all documents together into a single file).

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