

# BC Hydro Port Alberni Scholarship Application

## Accepted April 1 to May 15, 2025

For office use only.

BC Hydro's Port Alberni scholarship program is offering one \$750 award to a student who is a leader and role model in their school and community. We want to support Port Alberni and students who demonstrate a balanced lifestyle and will pursue a first-year post-secondary education in any of the following STEM and trades fields of study:

☐ Science   ☐ Technology   ☐ Engineering   ☐ Math

### Who is eligible to apply

Grade 12 students attending Alberni District Secondary School:

1. Planning to attend a post-secondary institution in Canada, or
2. Planning to enroll in a pre-apprenticeship program or an entry-level trades training program at a vocational school, community college, university college, or institute within British Columbia for electrician, mechanic, construction trade, millwright, machinist, power line technician, or electronics technician.
3. Enrolled in a post-secondary institution program by September 2025.

To benefit as many families as possible, the scholarships are one-time awards, and only one child per family may receive any BC Hydro scholarship in a given year. Previous recipients of any BC Hydro scholarship are not eligible.

### Application criteria

#### The following documents are required to complete your application package:

- ☐ 1. Completed and signed application form.
- ☐ 2. Reference letter from a teacher.
- ☐ 3. A well-structured cover letter demonstrating your goals and achievements, and how you intend to apply them to your future educational goals.
- ☐ 4. A current resume.
- ☐ 5. Copy of Grade 11 transcripts and any Grade 12 transcripts to date. Academic history must demonstrate a minimum 'B' or 3.0 grade point average.
- ☐ 6. Essay: In 300 words or less, describe your involvement in a current or recently completed project that focuses on energy conservation, safety, trades, or youth STEM programming.

### When to apply

Application period: Scholarship applications are accepted from April 1 to May 15, 2025.

Application package deadline: Please send your completed scholarship package, including the six attachments, to your school counsellor by May 15, 2025.

## How selections are made

The applications received by the deadline will proceed to the next evaluation step. Applications will then be evaluated by school representatives and a BC Hydro representative based on the following criteria:

1. A minimum academic standing of a 'B' or 3.0 grade point average.
2. Noteworthy achievements and participation in school or community activities, as demonstrated in the student's application package.
3. A 300-word or less essay describing the student's involvement in a current or recently completed project that focuses on: energy conservation, safety, trades, or youth STEM programming.

A school representative will contact each applicant by letter to advise of the status of their application by the end of May. Successful scholarship recipients will receive a letter containing further details to process the scholarship funds.

## Scholarship payment guidelines

- Scholarships are for the September 2025 to April 2026 school year only and cannot be deferred to the next school year.
- Payment process: Scholarship award payments are sent directly from BC Hydro to the financial offices at the post-secondary institution the applicant will attend. Once an institution receives the scholarship funds, they are processed based on their accounting practices. The payments must be accepted as awarded with no substitutions in cash or otherwise.
- Timing of payment—September: Scholarship payments are credited to the recipient's student account by the end of September.
- Due to the administration process, this scholarship cannot be released in time for tuition fee deadlines.

## For further information

Contact: Community Investment at [communityinvestment@bchydro.com](mailto:communityinvestment@bchydro.com).

## Personal information

The information provided in this application will be kept confidential. Personal information collected as part of your BC Hydro Scholarship application will be used for the purpose of administering, awarding, and promoting the scholarship.

Student name:			
Name of secondary school:			
Email:		Phone:	
Permanent address:			
City:		Postal code:	
Is one of your parents a BC Hydro employee?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Employee name:			
Work location:		Business unit:	
Do you identify as an Indigenous person?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
If yes, please specify your Indigenous group or community:			

☐ I declare that the information provided in this application is complete and correct.

This information on this form is collected under the authority of Section 26 (c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for BC and is collected for the purpose of administering BC Hydro's scholarship program. If you have questions about how your personal information is handled, please contact Tennille Wong at 604 623 4080. By signing, I agree to BC Hydro collecting, processing, and disclosing my information and contacting me with opportunities related to employment, training, scholarships, and bursaries. I agree to BC Hydro using my name and photo in public and internal communications including websites and social media.

Student signature:		Date:	
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Consent of parent or guardian for applications under the age of 18: I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name) of \_\_\_\_\_ (address), the parent or guardian of the person named above, consent to the above-named student applying for a BC Hydro award and to the disclosure of personal information for use during this application process.

Guardian signature:		Date:	
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1. Include other high schools or educational institutions you’ve attended in the past two years.

Institution	Years attended from/to

2. Indicate your planned science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM), or trades–related field of study and the post–secondary institution where you plan to register.

3. Describe what led you to choose your STEM or trades–related field of study and elaborate on your career goals.

4. Describe volunteer positions you have held, including the length of time in each position.

5. Outline your extracurricular activities, interests, and achievements.

6. Describe a challenging situation where you have shown leadership and/or teamwork at school or in your community.

Use additional paper if required.