

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD OBJECTIVES & CRITERIA

Purpose:	To provide financial assistance to Manitoba residents with Cerebral Palsy to pursue post-secondary education.
Field of Study:	 Applicants can apply for a scholarship for: 1. A post-secondary program at an accredited University or Community College in Canada. OR 2. Vocationally focused courses for personal development or educational upgrading.
Value:	Scholarship will be valued up to \$2000.00 per year.
Duration: <i>Deadlines: May 15th</i>	One instructional year. CPAM Scholarship recipients may apply for further awards in subsequent years. ^b & Oct. 15 th – the Committee/Board will require 2 months to review the application.
Conditions:	Candidates must be clinically diagnosed as having Cerebral Palsy (CP). Applicants agree to provide a medical certificate confirming diagnosis if requested by the CPAM BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
Program Criteria:	 Selection is made by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS based on the following priorities: 1. level of motivation and maturity 2. future plans 3. personal academic performance 4. demonstration of additional needs which are related to the individual's disability
Application:	Forms may be obtained by writing or phoning – 982-4842 or 1-800-416-6166 The Cerebral Palsy Association of Manitoba Inc. 105-500 Portage Ave. Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 3X1
Obligations:	 Awards will be based upon the review of the application. Merits of funding will be given to the following: a) prior academic accomplishments – applicants shall be asked to demonstrate his/her ability to meet the requirements of the course. b) commitment to the educational goal – applicants shall demonstrate her/his understanding of the workload and challenges, which may occur while perusing the educational goal. c) disability supports – applicants shall determine what additional personal support services, educational supports or equipment would make a difference to their education experience.

Awards will be made known to the student as soon as possible after the Board of Directors has made a determination. The applicant shall be issued a letter stating the amount and conditions of the award. Upon presentation of an official tuition invoice the Association shall forward the award sum to the educational institute. A \$100.00 will be withheld from this payment.

Upon proof of completion the \$100 will be sent to the scholarship recipient.

In the event that the applicant does not complete a term of study, she/he must submit a report to the Cerebral Palsy Association stating reasons for the incompletion. Failure to complete a vocational course, or a term of a postsecondary course, will forfeit the \$100.

IMPORTANT

1. All sections of the Scholarship Application must be completed and the applicant must also submit a letter of introduction providing a brief description of how the applicant is affected by CP and describing work experience, extra curricular activities and interests.

- 2. Additional documentation:
 - A letter of support must accompany the application. This letter should not be from a relative or CPAM staff but an individual who understands and supports the educational plan. This individual maybe a member of the Cerebral Palsy Association, a teacher, a vocational rehabilitation councillor or another person who knows the applicant. The Board of Directors may request a second letter of support if they determine it necessary to make a decision.
 - Official academic transcripts from the last complete year of study (high school or college/university). For Grade12 students, a letter of current standing would be appreciated.

The Scholarship application can be submitted before the additional documentation is available, but a final decision cannot be made until all documentation is submitted. Applicants are responsible for ensuring all such documents are submitted to complete the application process.

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