

Pleasant Valley Secondary School



Local Scholarships and Bursaries Handbook January 2026

Purpose of Awards:

To facilitate a student's ability to pursue [post-secondary education](#).
Before funds are released, successful applicants will need to **supply proof of enrollment**.

*The offerings in this booklet are available only to Grade 12 students who graduate from PVSS.
The awards are dependent upon donors and may vary from year to year.*

The PVSS Local Scholarship and Bursary Committee

The role of the PVSS Local Scholarship and Bursary Committee is to recognize the students' effort, work ethic, and commitment to excellence.

The Scholarship Booklet

This booklet is divided into four Sections:

- Section One:** **Application is not required for Awards in this section. Details and criteria are for information only.**
- Section Two:** These awards require students to **fill in the online application**. The link will be on the Grad 2026 Teams page. Some applications require additional information like an application form to be completed (i.e., Royal Canadian Legion which can be picked up at the office or downloaded on the Teams page). **See Section Two for additional information.**
- Section Three:** Applications **will be sent directly** to the donor following the instructions in the booklet. **See Section Three for additional information.**
- Section Four:** **These awards are available only to post-secondary students.**

Applications are to be completed online and all supporting documents must be submitted to the PVSS Office in hard copy by

Thursday, March 12, 2026 (4:00 pm)

NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED

On Friday, May 29 from 11:30am to 12:30pm, the PVSS Grad Scholarship and Bursary committee will host a thank you tea for our valued donors. You will be notified of the awards that you are the recipient of prior to this event. You are required to participate in this event and meet with your donors, acknowledging them for their contributions with a thank you card/letter and some of your time.

As part of the application process, members of the Committee will offer assistance in completing the application process and in developing a demonstration of students' abilities.

SECTION ONE AWARDS

**APPLICATION IS NOT REQUIRED FOR AWARDS IN THIS SECTION
DETAILS AND CRITERIA ARE FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

TOP ACADEMIC AWARD – MCKECHNIE TROPHY

Amount: \$1250

Donor: North Okanagan Shuswap Teachers' Association (NOSTA)

Criteria:

- PVSS student with the highest final average based on the criteria below.
- The recipient:
 - a) has taken a minimum of ten academic courses;
 - b) has completed English 11, Mathematics 11, Science 11 (Biology, Chemistry, Physics) and Social Studies 11; and
 - c) has taken a minimum of four Academic Grade 12 courses with English 12 being one of the four.
- PVSS Administration and Counsellors with consultation with the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee will determine the top candidates.
- The recipient will be informed by letter that they were the successful candidate.
- The recipient of this award will be recognized at graduation ceremony in the following year.
- NOSTA will pay directly based upon submission of proof of enrollment in an accredited post-secondary institution.

TOP ALL-ROUND STUDENT AWARD and BURSARY

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: To be determined

Criteria:

- Scholastic Achievement – **must be on three of four honour rolls in their Grade 12 year.**
- Must reflect the qualities of a good citizen (see Top Citizen Award).
- Must be actively involved in one or both of the following at PVSS:
 - a) Athletics: significant contribution as a playing member of a school team
 - b) Fine Arts: significant contribution in one or more visual or performing art

Preference may be given to a student who participates in both
- Nominated and selected by the staff of PVSS.

TOP CITIZEN AWARD – W.A. BROWN TROPHY & NOSTA BURSARY

Amount: \$1250

Donor: North Okanagan Shuswap Teachers' Association (NOSTA)

Criteria:

- Involvement in many areas of PVSS school life that goes beyond course commitments.
- Student will be judged on attitude towards others in school as well as general deportment.
- Nominated and selected by the staff of PVSS.
- To be paid directly to student based upon submission of proof of enrollment in an accredited post-secondary institution.

SECTION ONE AWARDS

TOP ATHLETIC LEADERSHIP AWARDS and BURSARIES

Amount: \$500 x 2

Donor: **Shepherds Hardware**

Criteria:

- Must be in Grade 12 at PVSS
- Must show a significant contribution as a team member through attitude, sportsmanship, and personal skill level.
- General contribution must extend beyond being a team member.
- Preference is given to an athlete on more than one team.
- Recipient selected by PVSS Athletic Department.

DAN SCHIMELFENIG MEMORIAL BURSARY

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Tolko Industries

Criteria:

- Awarded to a deserving student entering a technical or vocational field.
- Student must have attended PVSS in grades 11 and 12 and have shown exemplary achievement in the area of technology.
- Teachers in the technology areas will select the top student from among the technology courses offered at PVSS Consideration may also be given to grade point average and survey of courses taken
Note: The award may go toward tuition or expenses related to courses being taken; for example, books or tools directly associated with the course of studies. Appropriate receipts must be forwarded to the PVSS Scholarship Committee.

DAVID SAGER BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Armstrong/Vernon Learning Disabilities Association

Criteria:

- Awarded to a PVSS student who has been assessed and identified with a learning disability OR a student who has known learning difficulties and received learning assistance during the school years.
- The Bursary may be claimed when the student provides documentation to show enrollment in further education. This may be college, university, a trade or any program which will enhance the student's future and job prospects.
- This award may go to tuition or expenses related to courses being taken; for example, boots or tools directly associated with the course of studies. Other acceptable expenses might be professional driving training, first aid courses, WHIMIS, Food Safe etc. Appropriate receipts must be forwarded to the PVSS scholarship Committee.
- Preference may be given to a student who has attended PVSS from grades 9-12.
- Selected by the Vernon Learning Disabilities Association in consultation with the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.

EDWIN I. CLARKE HISTORY 12 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$800

Donor: Grenke Family

Criteria:

- Awarded to the student who demonstrates the most overall excellence in History 12 at PVSS.
- Selected by the History 12 teacher in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship and Bursary Committee.

SECTION ONE AWARDS

FALKLAND AND DISTRICT SUNDAY MORNERS' CLUB BURSARY

Amount: \$750

Donor: Sunday Morners' Club

Criteria:

- Awarded to a grade 12 PVSS Student.
- Student must be a resident of Falkland.
- Student must be registered with a college, university or trade school.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship and Bursary Committee.

FRENCH BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Piolat Foundation through School District 83

Criteria:

- Demonstrated outstanding interest and keen ability in French 11 and 12.
- Graduating from PVSS and pursuing further education with French as a component.
- Recipient will use French in some area of life or career.
- Will be paid directly to recipient by School District 83 based upon submission of proof of enrollment in an accredited post-secondary institution.

LEE FAMILY BURSARY IN EDUCATION

Amount: \$500

Donor: The Ben Lee family

Criteria:

- Awarded to a student planning a career in the field of education.
- Attended PVSS for Grades 11 and 12.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.

MANKE-GOWAN DRAMA BURSARY

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: Manke-Gowan Trust Fund

Criteria

- Awarded to a deserving PVSS student in the Drama Program.
- Selected by the Fine Arts Department.

MANKE-GOWAN TOP FINE ARTS BURSARY

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: Manke-Gowan Trust Fund

Criteria

- Awarded to a serious and dedicated PVSS student who has demonstrated ability in two of the following arts areas: visual arts, drama, music or dance.
- Recipient must demonstrate the motivation to develop that ability.
- Selected by the Fine Arts Department.

SECTION ONE AWARDS

MIKE LUDWIG MEMORIAL BURSARY

Amount: To be determined each year

Donor: Ludwig Trust Fund

Criteria:

- Awarded to a deserving PVSS student who has demonstrated initiative and good citizenship.
- Open to students who are entering any academic, technical or vocational pursuit.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.

NIXON WENGER BURSARY

Amount: \$750

Donor: Nixon Wenger Barristers & Solicitors

Criteria:

- Student shows an interest in pursuing law or paralegal/legal assistant program.
- Awarded on basis of need and academic standing of a PVSS student.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.

NORTH OKANAGAN SHUSWAP PRINCIPALS AND VICE PRINCIPALS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$500

Donor: North Okanagan Shuswap Principals and Vice Principals Association

Criteria:

- Student must represent his or her school well, both within the school and community.
- Academically strong.
- Demonstrate a commitment to the school in the role of leadership, service, and/or citizenship.
- Intended for a student pursuing studies in an area related to children, youth or human services.
- To be paid directly to student based upon submission of proof of enrollment (including a course registration and fee receipts) in an accredited post-secondary institution.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee, Principal and Vice Principal.

PVSS EXCELLENCE IN ART AWARD and BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: PVSS Art Department

Criteria

- Awarded to a PVSS student of high proficiency in the Art Program.
- To promote life-long involvement in the visual arts and to assist in furthering his/her education, preferably in the field of Art.
- Recipients may choose either a \$500 award to be used towards post-secondary education **or** a \$250 gift card to be used to purchase art supplies.
- Selected by the PVSS Fine Arts department.

PVSS EXCELLENCE IN MUSIC AWARD and BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: The Music students of PVSS

Criteria

- Awarded to a PVSS student of high proficiency in the Music Program to assist furthering his/her education, preferably in the music field.
- Selected by the PVSS Music Director in consultation with the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.

SECTION ONE AWARDS

PVSS INDIGENOUS EDUCATION BURSARY

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: PVSS Indigenous Education

Criteria

- Awarded to a PVSS student that has participated in the Indigenous Education program.
- Open to students who are entering any academic, technical or vocational pursuit.
- Selected by the PVSS Indigenous Education department.

PVSS LEADERSHIP CLASS AWARD and BURSARY

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: PVSS Leadership

Criteria

- Awarded to the PVSS student who has made the greatest contribution to PVSS school activities in Grade 11 and 12.
- Preference will be given to a student that has completed both the PVSS Leadership 11 and 12 class.
- Selected by the Leadership Teachers in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.

SANDY PRYSTUPA BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Mrs. Evelyn DeGryse

Criteria:

- Awarded to a student who may have had difficulty in school and may have required some assistance but not necessarily a student who is classified as special needs or learning assistance.
- Awarded to a student who may be pursuing a career path as a Professional Driver, CEA, Care Aid, Hairdresser or any trade or post-secondary studies.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee in consultation with the LR Teacher.

SMART & CARING COMMUNITY FUND BURSARY

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Community Foundation of the North Okanagan Bursary

Criteria:

- Awarded to a PVSS student on the basis of financial need and academic standing.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.

SUSAN FENNER DANCE SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: PVSS Dance Gala

Criteria:

- High proficiency in Advanced Studio Dance to assist in furthering dance education.
- Selected by the Dance Teacher in consultation with the PVSS Fine Arts Department.
- Can be paid directly to a studio or conference by PVSS upon submission of appropriate invoices.

PVSS FOOTBALL SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: PVSS Football Program

Criteria:

- Awarded to a grade 12 PVSS Football Player who exemplifies the HAWKS values.
- Student must be a member of the PVSS Varsity Football Team for their graduating season.
- Preference will be given to a student who has played for their maximum number of seasons.
- Selected by the PVSS Football Coaches.

SECTION TWO AWARDS

APPLICATION IS REQUIRED FOR AWARDS IN THIS SECTION
PLEASE REFER TO THE APPLICATION PROCESS BELOW

The Application Process

Complete the **PVSS SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY APPLICATION FORM (online)**

- You will be required to go online and complete the online application form by clicking yes or no for each of the bursaries listed in this section of the book. You will have to pick one or the other before proceeding to the next question. Some bursaries require additional information so please look through the booklet and have your answers ready to copy and paste into the online form. Some information may need to be emailed to dropped off at the office by the March 12th due date.
- Once you have completed the form, you will be required to email the office at pvs@sd83.bc.ca to let the staff know you have completed the application.

Prepare and submit the following in hardcopy to the PVSS Office Staff:

1. **ONE LETTER OF REFERENCE**

- This letter will be forwarded to the donors for all the scholarships and bursaries checked off on the Bursary Application Form.
- Please make your request for your letter of reference as soon as possible. You need to make sure you give your person lots of time to compose the letter.
- Please ask your teachers to put your letter on School Letter Head.

2. **ANY ADDITIONAL LETTERS OR FORMS AS REQUESTED BY DONOR**

- Scholarships and Bursaries marked with * on the application require additional letters or application forms. See the information provided for what is required.
- Some applications require more than one letter of reference. Please read all the details before completing and submitting your application and additional information.

Other Considerations

- Once you have completed the online form, please ensure you email the office at pvs@sd83.bc.ca. to let them know it has been submitted. Please ensure you bring any additional information required to the PVSS Office before the deadline on March 12th at 4pm.

ABBI CAMPBELL BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Kelly Rowe / Lending Max

- Awarded to a student who is planning to become a First Responder or go into the field of health care.
- Selected by the donor.

ARMSTRONG & DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Armstrong Garden Club

- Awarded to a student who is planning further studies in the fields of:
 - a) horticulture (landscaping, botany, plant physiology, aquaculture, plant propagation);
 - b) forestry with emphasis in silver culture/research;
 - c) agriculture; or
 - d) environment studies.
- **Ensure to describe post-secondary plans and any work and/or volunteer experience as it pertains to the criteria and explain why you are a good candidate for this award.**
- Work or Volunteer experience related to horticulture, forestry, agriculture or aquaculture is an asset.
- Selected by the Donor.

ARMSTRONG BOTTLE DEPOT BURSARY

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: Armstrong Bottle Depot

- Recipient must reflect the qualities of a good citizen.
- Must demonstrate excellence in volunteer and/or work experience in recycling and/or environmental field-related industry during their time at PVSS.
- Preference will be given to a student that is an employee of the Bottle Depot.
- **Additional information outlining a creative yet practical idea for tackling one of the following:**
 - 1) increasing a specific aspect in environmental awareness amongst students k-12, local; OR**
 - 2) increasing a specific recycling activity of choice amongst students k-12, local.**
- Selected by the Donor.

ARMSTRONG KIN CLUB BURSARY

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: Kinsmen Club of Armstrong

- Preference to a PVSS student planning a career in a community-related field.
- Financial need and Academic Standing will be considered.
- **Students must provide information regarding their positive contribution to the community.**
- Selected by the Donor.
- The bursary will be paid by the Kin Club directly.

ARMSTRONG LADIES CLUB BURSARY

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Armstrong Ladies Club

- Awarded to a deserving PVSS student. Academic standing and financial need are considered.
- Recipient must reflect the qualities of a good citizen.
- Will be paid directly to the post-secondary institution by the Ladies Club based upon submission of proof of enrollment in an accredited post-secondary institution.
- Selected by the Donor.
- The bursary will be paid by the Ladies Club directly.

SECTION TWO AWARDS

APPLICATION REQUIRED

ARMSTRONG LIONS CLUB BURSARY – ACADEMIC AWARD

Amount: may not be offered

Donor: Lions Club of Armstrong

- Academic standing and financial need considered.
- Recipient must reflect the qualities of a good citizen.
- **Recipient must attend a post-secondary institution in British Columbia.**
- **Must be used within one year of receipt.**
- Selected by the donor.
- The bursary will be paid by the Lions Club directly.

ARMSTRONG LIONS CLUB BURSARY – TRADES AWARD

Amount: may not be offered

Donor: Lions Club of Armstrong

- Academic standing and financial need considered.
- Recipient must reflect the qualities of a good citizen.
- **Recipient must attend a post-secondary institution in British Columbia.**
- **Must be used within one year of receipt.**
- Selected by the donor in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.
- The bursary will be paid by the Lions Club directly.

ARMSTRONG METAL FEST MUSIC BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Armstrong Metal Fest

- Awarded to a student pursuing any area of study.
- **In the online form, applicants will provide an explanation of how they have or will contribute to the production of live music. For example, musician, sound, stagehand, volunteer, digital design, or accounting to name a few.**
- Selected by the donor.
- The bursary will be paid by MetalFest directly.

ARMSTRONG REGIONAL COOPERATIVE

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Armstrong Regional Cooperative

- Awarded to a deserving PVSS student who has shown initiative and is planning to further his/her education at a recognized post-secondary institution.
- The student, or their parent or guardian, **must be an active member of the Armstrong Regional Co-op in good standing for a minimum of one year.**
- **All bursary applications must include the Co-op member number and if the name differs from the applicant, provide the relationship between the applicant and the member.**
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee in cooperation with the Donor.
- The bursary will be paid by the Coop directly.

SECTION TWO AWARDS

APPLICATION REQUIRED

ARMSTRONG SPALLUMCHEEN FIRE DEPARTMENT – Bob Johnson Memorial BURSARY

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: Armstrong Spallumcheen Fire Department

- First consideration will be given to a child of a member of the Fire Department.
- Selection will be made by the A/S Fire Department.

ARMSTRONG SPALLUMCHEEN HEALTHCARE AUXILIARY BURSARIES

Amount: \$2000 (# awarded to be determined annually)

Donor: Armstrong Spallumcheen Health Care Society

- Awarded to a graduate planning **a career in the healthcare field.**
- It is an asset for the applicant to have volunteered in some form in the Healthcare field.
- **In the online form, please ensure you have clearly stated your proposed field of study in healthcare, provided details as to the applications made to institutions with healthcare programs, and career goals in the healthcare field, volunteer hours and interests.**
- The successful recipient has up to December 31 of the second year after graduation (2.5 years) to enroll in an acceptable program and claim the bursary.
- The bursary recipients must have a photocopy of their proof of enrolment and the date of enrolment in an accredited post-secondary institution sent to the ASHA before the award is paid.
- Questions regarding the bursary can be sent to ashabursaries@shaw.ca.
- The successful applicants will be selected by the ASHA Bursary Committee.
- The bursary will be paid by ASHA directly.

ARMSTRONG SPALLUMCHEEN STUDENT ASSISTANCE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP (ACADEMIC)

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Armstrong-Spallumcheen Students Assistance Association

- Awarded to a deserving student entering an **academic or technology field.**
- Student must have attended PVSS in grade 11 & 12.
- Financial needs are reviewed and will be a consideration of entitlement.
- Student must be registered with a college, university, or trade school.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship and Bursary Committee.

ARMSTRONG SPALLUMCHEEN STUDENT ASSISTANCE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP (VOCATIONAL)

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Armstrong-Spallumcheen Students Assistance Association

- Awarded to a deserving student entering a **technical, business or vocational field.**
- Student must have attended PVSS in grade 11 & 12.
- Financial need is reviewed and will be a consideration of entitlement.
- Student must be registered with a college, university or trade school.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship and Bursary Committee.

SECTION TWO AWARDS

APPLICATION REQUIRED

ASKEW'S OF ARMSTRONG – BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Askew's Foods (Armstrong)

- Awarded to a deserving PVSS student. Academic standing and financial need will be considered.
- Preference given to employees of Askew's.
- Selected by Askew's.
- The bursary will be paid by Askews directly.

ASKEW'S OF ARMSTRONG – CLINT TERNIER MEMORIAL BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Askew's Foods (Armstrong)

- Awarded to a deserving PVSS student. Academic standing and financial need will be considered.
- Preference given to employees of Askew's.
- Selected by Askew's.
- The bursary will be paid by Askews directly.

ASKEWS OF ARMSTRONG – JILLIAN MCKINTY MEMORIAL BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Askew's Foods (Armstrong)

- Awarded to a PVSS deserving student. Financial needs will be considered.
- Preference given to employees of Askew's.
- Selected by Askew's.
- The bursary will be paid by Askews directly.

ASPARAGUS COMMUNITY THEATRE (ACT) BURSARY

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: Asparagus Community Theatre (ACT)

- Awarded to a PVSS student who has made an outstanding contribution in the Performing Arts, to include but not be limited to technical aspects of theatre such a lighting, sound, set design, costuming, directing and to still include acting, dance, music, and all related aspects of theatre.
- **Additional information outlining specific contributions to theatre arts is required.**
- Involvement with Asparagus Community Theatre (ACT) is not mandatory but is an asset.
- Financial needs may be considered.
- Selected by ACT Scholarship Committee.

BETTY ATKINSON BURSARY

Amount: \$1000

Donor: City of Armstrong

- Student must be in Grade 12 at PVSS.
- The recipient will be a deserving student who has demonstrated initiative and good citizenship, and been involved in many areas of school life, beyond course commitments, and has taken that interest outside the school into the Community.
- **Ensure that additional information outlining evidence that the award criteria have been met is outlined in the online application.** This should include any activities within the community that would indicate "citizenship outside the classroom and the school."
- **An independent letter of support (letter of reference) indicating activities within the community that would indicate "citizenship outside the classroom and the school" will need to be submitted to the PVSS Office with your other reference letter.**
- Selected by the City of Armstrong.

SECTION TWO AWARDS

APPLICATION REQUIRED

CHRIS PIEPER BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: City of Armstrong

- Student must be in Grade 12 at PVSS.
- Must be **entering an agriculture or forestry field of study.**
- The recipient will be a deserving student who has demonstrated initiative and good citizenship, and is involved in many areas of school life, beyond course commitments, and has taken that interest outside the school into the Community.
- Selected by the City of Armstrong.

ELIZABETH & DONALD CHRISTIE MEMORIAL BURSARIES

Amount: \$7000 and \$3000

Donor: Estate of Elizabeth & Donald Christie

- Two separate bursaries will be awarded. The recipients are students of PVSS that have the potential to attend post-secondary school but are facing financial constraints and may not be able to access a post-secondary education without help. The recipients may not have top grades through high school but must be capable of succeeding at the post-secondary level. They are resilient and display a desire to work hard in school and in the community.
- Recipients will be students at PVSS and will reside in the Armstrong or Spallumcheen area.
- Open to students who are entering any academic, technical or vocational pursuit.
- **Please provide information (300 words min. to 500 words max.) outlining what it means to you to be able to go to post-secondary school and how you would be affected if you did not have the finances to pursue a post-secondary education; how will you be affected if you were to receive this award; why you would be deserving of the award, and an indication of your post-secondary plans.**
- Recipients will have two years to claim these awards; however, the distribution will not occur until after the withdrawal date at the post-secondary institution. This will require the recipient to arrange with the post-secondary institution and PVSS in order to defer tuition payment until the bursary has been received.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee in co-operation with donor.

HIGHLAND PARK ELEMENTARY STAFF – JIM STEPHENSON BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: The Staff of Highland Park Elementary through the Jim Stephenson Scholarship Trust Fund

- **Awarded to a PVSS student who attended Highland Park Elementary.**
- The recipient must have contributed positively to the school and/or community.
- The recipient must have a strong academic record.
- Selected by staff of Highland Park Elementary in cooperation with PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.
- Will be paid directly by Highland Park Elementary School.

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Amount: \$500

Donor: IODE Lambly's Landing Chapter

- **The recipient must be attending post-secondary in the Fall 2026.**
- You are required to fill in an application form. Please check on the Grad 2026 Team or with the PVSS Office for this form.
- Selected by the IODE in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship Committee.
- Will be paid by the IODE directly to the recipient upon submission of proof of enrollment in an accredited post-secondary institution.

SECTION TWO AWARDS

APPLICATION REQUIRED

JEANETTE ROBERTSON MEMORIAL – EDUCATION OR SCIENCE PROGRAM BURSARY

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Family of Jeanette Robertson

- Open to any student who is entering an academic degree program in the Education or Science field.
- Please ensure that you outline your interests (education or science) on the online application form.
- Selected by the Donor in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship Committee.

JEANETTE ROBERTSON MEMORIAL – TRADES BURSARY

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Family of Jeanette Robertson

- Open to any student who is entering a Trades program.
- Please ensure that you outline your program goals on the online application form.
- Selected by the Donor in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship Committee.

KAREN BEDARD MEMORIAL BURSARY

Amount: To be determined annually

Donor: Karen Bedard Memorial Fund

- Awarded to a student who is planning a full course of studies in a medical field (medicine, dentistry, nursing, physiotherapy, medical technician).
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.

LOYOLA ELLIOTT MEMORIAL BURSARY

Amount: \$450

Donor: To be named

Criteria:

- Awarded to a student graduating from PVSS who has excelled in the Fine Arts Program and who intends to pursue further studies in the fine arts.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee
- Will be paid by School District 83 directly.

Loyola Elliott (1945 – 2015) was a well-known teacher and principal in SD83! After moving to Grindrod in 1980 to be closer to family, Loyola taught at elementary schools in the Vernon, Armstrong and Salmon Arm areas. She organized many plays, choirs, and Christmas concerts at many of the schools where she taught. Her career of 34 years ended when she retired from the position of Principal at Highland Park Elementary. Loyola was known as a kind, energetic, happy person, who was supportive and empathetic to students, parents and colleagues. Loyola had an enormous passion for life and everything she did she embraced fully; from the students she nurtured, to her coworkers, and to her family and friends.

As a young girl growing up in Quesnel, BC, Loyola performed in many talent shows with her sister Della. She always had a passion for theatre, which led her to enroll in drama at UBC after a year at Notre Dame University. While attending UBC, she starred in many leading roles and in the summer months she toured throughout the province with Playhouse Theatre Summer Stock. She changed her career path and returned to UBC, this time to become an educator. Upon retirement Loyola immersed herself into activities that she always loved. She became an excellent quilter, and enjoyed her book clubs, winemaking, gardening, hosting many dinners and being a member of the Tapestry Choir. Of course, her number one joy was her granddaughters whom she spent as much time with as she could.

SECTION TWO AWARDS

APPLICATION REQUIRED

MALCOLM CRAIG MCKENZIE MEMORIAL BURSARY/TOP FOODS AWARD

Amount: Amount to be determined

Donor: Andrew Laird

- Open to any student who is entering or continuing in an academic, technical or vocational pursuit. Applicants do not need to be majoring in food/culinary arts at post-secondary to apply for this bursary, but they must have taken junior and senior level foods courses.
- The following criteria will be reviewed: student is open to trying new ingredients, techniques and dishes; finding creative ways to approach food, whether through flavour combinations, plating or unexpected use of ingredients; demonstrating passion in exploring food for the joy of learning; approaching food with curiosity and excitement; and challenging themselves to make food the best it can be.
- Further criteria will include: the ability to articulate advice and experiences in a way that is easy to understand by another student; and taking the time to help others enjoy the experiences of being a foodie.
- **Additional information required: you will be asked to provide a paragraph of support outlining specific contributions to and interests in foods.**
- Craig McKenzie was an accomplished world traveller with an exceptional palate and passion for flavour in foods from around the world. He is well remembered for creating a fusion of flavours based on his meal discoveries dating back to his youth, having lived several years overseas. Craig also enjoyed teaching what he'd learned from his own experiences, especially the aspects of how to please the appetites of a group gathering for a feast!
- Selected by the donor in conjunction with the PVSS Scholarship committee.

MILDRED INGLIS ENVIRONMENTAL BURSARY

Amount: \$1500 (up to 3 awards)

Donor: Armstrong Spallumcheen Environmental Trust

- Applicants must demonstrate potential to attend post-secondary studies and show a desire to take a path that will equip them for stewardship and promoting sustainability of planet earth. This may include, but is not limited to, the following programs of study: earth and environmental science, conservation, wildlife, animal biology, outdoor recreation and tourism, water management, anthropology, conservation, water technology/hydrology, fisheries and aquaculture, indigenous studies, sustainable energy, natural resources protection, etc. **In the online form, applicants will provide additional information that explains why you are a good candidate for this award.**
- **Must be used within 18 months.**
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship and Bursary Committee.

MOUNTAIN WEST PHOTO STUDIO BURSARY

Amount: \$500 X 2

Donor: Mountain West Photo Studio

- Open to any student who is entering an academic, vocational or trades program.
- Academic standing and financial need will be considered.
- Commitment to school or community involvement will be considered.
- Selected by the PVSS Scholarship Committee.

SECTION TWO AWARDS

APPLICATION REQUIRED

MUIR/SCHUETZ FAMILY BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: The Muir Family

- Awarded to a deserving PVSS student from Armstrong or Spallumcheen who has demonstrated a commitment to improving their community.
- Academic standing and financial need will be considered.
- Open to students who are entering any academic, technical or vocational pursuit.
- **In the online application, please outline your specific contributions to your community along with your post-secondary plans.**
- Selected by the donor in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship Committee.

ODDFELLOWS BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Independent Order of Oddfellows Coronation Lodge No 48

- The recipient must be a deserving student who has demonstrated initiative and good citizenship and has taken that interest outside the school into the community.
- Selected by the Donor in conjunction with the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR BURSARY

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Lansdowne Chapter #72 Order of the Eastern Star

- Awarded to a deserving PVSS grade 12 student.
- Open to all types of Post-Secondary. Students should demonstrate some community involvement.
- Academic standing and financial need will be considered.
- Selected by the Donor in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.
- Bursary will be paid by the Eastern Star directly upon proof of registration.

ROSSWORN HENDERSON "Where Everyone Counts" SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$500/yr to a maximum of 4 years

Donor: Rossworn Henderson LLP

- The recipient must be an academic Achiever and Community Minded.
- \$500/year to be paid at the beginning of the year once registration into pre-determined courses has been proven. Maximum of 4 years available.
- MUST attend Business Administration or Commerce, majoring in Accounting.
- RHLLP and recipient shall meet within 90 days of being notified as the successful recipient.
- Funds to be advance directly from RHLLP to successful recipient.
- Selected by the Donor.
- Bursary will be paid by Rossworn Henderson directly.

SECTION TWO AWARDS

APPLICATION REQUIRED

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 35 BURSARY (ARMSTRONG)

Amount: \$1000 x (# awarded to be determined)

Donor: Armstrong Royal Canadian Legion Branch 35

- Preference may be given to applicants who are descendants of a veteran, but this is not a requirement to apply. Please indicate on the Legion Application Form if your parents or grandparents were members of the Armed Forces.
- **Students must complete the Legion application form (ask at the Career office or the PVSS office).**
- Awarded to a PVSS student based on academic standing; however, financial need is a primary consideration.
- **In the online form, please indicate if you have volunteered with the Legion, listing what activities you have been involved in.**
- Selected by the Legion Branch #35.
- Bursary will be paid by RCL Branch #35 directly.

ROYAL LEPAGE ACADEMIC BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Royal LePage

Criteria:

- Awarded to a student graduating from PVSS who will be entering an academic field at a recognized post-secondary institution .
- Please ensure that you outline your interests and education goals on the online application form.
- Selected by the Donor in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship Committee.
- Bursary will be paid by Royal LePage directly.

ROYAL LEPAGE TRADES BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Royal LePage

Criteria:

- Awarded to a student graduating from PVSS who will be entering a recognized trades program.
- This Bursary is for post-secondary education only.
- The prescribed course must offer an achievement certificate, diploma, or degree. A correspondence course does not qualify for funds.
- Bursary will be paid by Royal LePage directly.

SHAUN STROHM MEMORIAL

Amount: \$500

Donor: Shamrocks Lacrosse

- commemorates an exceptional individual whose legacy intertwines academic excellence, sportsmanship, and community engagement.
- Shaun Strohm's journey began at PVSS, where he excelled academically and athletically, participating in basketball, volleyball, and track and field. Graduating in 2003, Shaun's dedication to education led him to become a respected professor, all while maintaining his love for sports and fostering camaraderie on and off the field. His friendly demeanor and unwavering sportsmanship extended beyond school as he actively contributed to local hockey and lacrosse teams, leaving a lasting legacy of integrity and goodwill.
- This scholarship honors Shaun's multifaceted legacy by supporting students who embody his commitment to academic achievement, athletic excellence, and community involvement.
- The recipient will be chosen by the donor in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship Committee.

SECTION TWO AWARDS

APPLICATION REQUIRED

SPALLUMCHEEN MASONIC LODGE NUMBER 13

Amount: \$500

Donor: Spallumcheen Masonic Lodge Number 13

- Open to any student who is entering or continuing in an academic, technical, or vocational pursuit with preference to a student focusing on forestry or agriculture.
- Academic standing and financial need are considered.
- Selected by the Masonic Lodge in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.

VANTAGEONE CREDIT UNION BURSARY

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Vantage One Credit Union

- **Must be a VantageOne member or son/daughter or immediate family of a member.**
- Must demonstrate a need for the award.
- A satisfactory level of academic achievement.
- Payment is made by VantageOne directly to an accredited college or university upon proof of registration and account # for Reference.

SECTION THREE AWARDS

APPLICATION IS REQUIRED FOR AWARDS IN THIS SECTION
PLEASE REFER TO THE APPLICATION PROCESS BELOW

1. Prepare and submit the following applications. Some you must submit **DIRECTLY** to the donor. Please refer to their specific deadline date.
 - COVER LETTER with address shown in the award description (one page)
 - SCHOLARSHIP STYLE RESUME (two pages maximum)
 - LETTERS OF REFERENCE (as requested in award description)
 - TRANSCRIPT OF GRADES (available from office)
 - Any other information requested
 - **MAIL OR DELIVER TO APPROPRIATE CONTACT BEFORE SPECIFIC APPLICATION DEADLINE**
2. Please read the descriptions carefully and ensure that you understand the requirements. If you have any questions or concerns, please ask for assistance.



SECTION THREE AWARDS

APPLY DIRECTLY TO THE DONOR

ARMSTRONG FISH & GAME ASSOCIATION BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Armstrong Fish and Game Association

Criteria:

- The recipient must be in Grade 12 at PVSS.
- The recipient must be pursuing a post-secondary study in wildlife, fisheries, conservation, veterinarian services or related discipline.
- The recipient will be a deserving student who has shown initiative and good citizenship. Financial need will also be considered.

ARMSTRONG SPALLUMCHEEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BURSARY

Amount: To be determined on an annually basis

Donor: Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce

Criteria

- Preference in awarding the bursary will be given to students planning to establish a business within the community of Armstrong or Spallumcheen. Students must be residents of either Armstrong or Spallumcheen to be eligible.
- Selected by the Donor.
- Please email a copy of the Bursary Application (ask at the office or print off of the Grad 2026 Team page), information about your future plans and volunteer activities, high school transcript and a letter of reference to manager@aschamber.com or by mail to Armstrong Chamber of Commerce, Box 118, Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0 before May 1, 2026.

CHRIS PIEPER BURSARY – SPALLUMCHEEN BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: The Corporation of the Township of Spallumcheen

Criteria:

- Applicants must be a resident within the Township of Spallumcheen.
- Applicants must be proceeding to Post Secondary Studies (Academic, Technical or Vocational) in a **recognized water or wastewater technology field, natural resource field such as Forestry or other professions that directly benefit agriculture.**
- Applicants must provide a letter of application outlining the student's intent to meet the award criteria, record of scholastic achievement (transcript) and letter of support from a teacher or employer.
- Will be paid by the Township of Spallumcheen directly to recipient based upon submission of proof of enrollment in a post-secondary institution.
- The recipient will be given 18 months to claim the award.
- To apply for the bursary, applicants may:

*Email Letter of Application, Resume, References, and Transcript **by March 13, 2026** to mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca

*Mail Letter of Application, Resume, References, and Transcript **by March 13, 2026** to:
Township of Spallumcheen
4144 Spallumcheen Way
Spallumcheen, BC V0E 1B6, or

*By **March 13, 2026**, deliver Letter of Application, Resume, References and Transcript to the Township of Spallumcheen office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm) Monday through Friday – except statutory holidays or through mail slot if after hours,

SECTION THREE AWARDS

APPLY DIRECTLY TO THE DONOR

INTERIOR PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION ASSOCIATION

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Interior Provincial Exhibition & Stampede Volunteer Scholarship

- Priority will be given to a student with personal volunteer experience at the IPE. Students who are children or grandchildren of an IPE volunteer are also encouraged to apply.
- Open to any students entering or continuing studies at an accredited university, college, or trades institution.
- Provide a letter of application outlining volunteer involvement with the IPE, future goals, why the applicant is an ideal candidate.
- A 400-500 word original essay describing the value of volunteering (AI-generated content is not permitted).
- Selected by a committee of IPE members.
- Scholarship award of \$1000 will be paid directly to the accredited institution upon receipt of proof of enrolment (acceptance letters are not accepted).
- Funds must be claimed within 18 months of being awarded.
- **Completed packages including your Letter of Application, Resume, References, and Transcript must be submitted to the IPE Main Office in Person by March 11, 2026.**

**Interior Provincial Exhibition & Stampede (info@armstrongipe.com)
PO Box 490, 3371 Wood Avenue
Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Knights of Columbus

- Awarded to a Grade 12 PVSS student of Armstrong or Falkland who is a practicing Catholic who exemplifies his/her faith in daily life.
- Submission of the following letters:
 1. a personally written letter that outlines the applicant's background, and indicates future aims and objectives;
 2. a letter of recommendation from a Principal or Vice-Principal; and
 3. a letter of recommendation from the parish priest.
- Awarded on the strength of the above requirements and on financial need.
- Selected by the Knights of Columbus in cooperation with the PVSS Scholarship and Bursary Committee.
- Bursary will be awarded to the student and paid directly to the post-secondary institution upon proof of acceptance in said institution.
- **Send letters of application by April 17, 2026 to**

**Knights of Columbus Bursary Committee Chairman
St Joseph's
2225 Patterson St, Armstrong, BC V0E 1B2**

SECTION THREE AWARDS

APPLY DIRECTLY TO THE DONOR

MONASHEE OUTDOORS BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Monashee Outdoors

- Applicants must be a resident of Armstrong/Spallumcheen.
- Applicants must be in their final year of secondary school at PVSS and be entering full-time (4 courses or more) of post-secondary studies at a registered College or University in the next immediate school year.
- Applicants must be in good community standing and provide two supportive reference letters from teachers in their graduating year, a recent employer or community mentor.
- Applicants must be in good academic standing in their final year of high school and provide a copy of their most recent transcripts along with this application.
- Applicants must have some experience related to outdoor recreation or animal/environment conservation.
- Preference will be given to an applicant enrolled in studies related to earth or animal sciences including conservation or environmental programs.
- Preference will be given to employees of Monashee Outdoors if all other criteria are met.
- Application forms are available at the PVSS Office or on the Grad 2026 Team.
- Selected by Donor.
- **Applications are to be submitted in person at Monashee Outdoors or by email to info@monasheeoutdoors.ca.**
- **Applications must be received no later than March 13, 2026.**

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Catholic Women's League of Armstrong

- Awarded to a Grade 12 student who is a practicing Catholic in St Joseph's Parish.
- A letter of reference from the Parish Pastor must accompany applications for all bursaries.
- Must proceed to further education in Canada.
- Must have an acceptable academic standing.
- Transcript of grades must accompany application.
- **You are required to submit an essay; the 2026 topic is: Describe the effects social media has on young adults. Is it making them feel more connected or more lonely?**
- Selected by the Catholic Women's League.
- Will be paid directly by the CWL based upon submission of proof of post-secondary registration before money is released (unless circumstances require prior payment).
- Must be accepted **within 26 months** of being awarded.
- **Send letter of application and essay by April 10, 2026 to**
CWL Bursary Committee
St Joseph's Catholic Church
Box 331
Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0

GORD THOMPSON MEMORIAL BURSARY

Amount: \$500

Donor: Armstrong Regional Co-Op

Criteria:

- Awarded to a student who is applying to attend a designated Red Seal Trade Program in the upcoming year and has financial need.
- The student or their parent or guardians must be a member in good standing of Armstrong Regional Cooperative for a minimum of one year.

POST-SECONDARY AWARDS

ARMSTRONG LADIES CLUB BURSARY

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Armstrong Ladies Club

Criteria:

- Awarded to a deserving PVSS graduate who has completed first year advanced education and requires further financial assistance for the second year.
- Selection by the Armstrong Ladies Club Bursary.
- **Letter of application that includes education completed, educational plans & transcripts must be sent by March 31, 2026.**
- Bursary will be paid by the Ladies Club directly to the post-secondary school.
- Send letter of application and other documents to:

**Armstrong Ladies Club
c/o Box 631
Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0
Attention: Scholarship Committee**

ARMSTRONG REGIONAL COOPERATIVE

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Armstrong Regional Cooperative

Criteria:

- Open to those students who have completed at least one complete year of post-secondary education that are continuing their education at a higher level.
- Priority will be given to students who are Co-op members or whose parents are **active** Armstrong Co-op members.
- **Letter of application that includes education completed, educational plans & transcripts must be sent by July 31, 2026. Go to: <https://armstrong.coop/about-us/bursaries/> for the Information Form.**
- **Armstrong Regional Cooperative Bursary Supplemental Information Form must be completed. This is online at the Coop website.**
- Bursary will be paid directly to Post-Secondary Institution upon proof of registration.
- Send letter of application and other documents to:

**Armstrong Co-op
Box 250
Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0
Attention: Scholarship Committee**

ARMSTRONG SPALLUMCHEEN HEALTHCARE AUXILIARY BURSARY

Amount: 1 x \$2000

Donor: Armstrong Spallumcheen Health Care Society

Criteria

- Awarded to a **third or fourth year post-secondary student** pursuing **a career in the healthcare field**.
- The application can be found on the ASHA webpage at: armstrongbin.ca.
- It is an asset for the applicant to have volunteered in some form of the Healthcare field.
- **Applications must be submitted by June 30th.**
- **Send Completed Application by June 30, 2026 to:**

**Armstrong Spallumcheen Health Care Auxiliary
PO Box 173
Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0
Attn: Bursary Committee**

INTERIOR PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION ASSOCIATION

POST-SECONDARY AWARDS

Amount: \$1000

Donor: Interior Provincial Exhibition & Stampede

Criteria

- Awarded to a second, third, or fourth year post-secondary student pursuing a career in the agriculture field.
- Priority will be given to students who are or have been active within the IPE community.
- Open to students entering or continuing studies at an accredited university, college, or trades institution.
- An application letter should be submitted outlining education and relevant experience, and a summary of education completed and educational plans.
- Application package should include academic transcripts and resume, and letters of reference are welcome but not required.
- The recipient is selected by the IPE.
- Scholarship award of \$1000 will be paid directly to the accredited institution upon receipt of proof of enrolment (acceptance letters are not accepted).
- Funds must be claimed within 6 months of being awarded.
- **Fully completed packages should be received by the IPE Main Office by Friday, May 31, 2026 in person, mail, or emailed:**

**Interior Provincial Exhibition & Stampede
Info@armstrongipe.com
PO Box 490
3371 Wood Avenue
Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0**

Pleasant Valley Secondary School Scholarships & Bursaries

This Information is for School Use Only and will remain Confidential

Name: _____

Social Insurance Number (SIN): _____ Date of Birth: _____

PREFERRED MAILING ADDRESS (For Summer 2026)

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____

Postal Code: _____ Telephone: _____

Email Address: _____

Additional Information

Parent Contact: _____

Mailing Address: (If different than above)

**PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM ONLINE AS PART OF YOUR
SCHOLARSHIP/BURSARY APPLICATION.**