



ISFELD FINANCIAL AID AND LOCAL AWARDS 2017

IMPORTANT DATES:

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| <u>February 17</u> | Booklet Available Online & Info Session #1 –
9:30 a.m. in Room 506 |
| <u>March 10</u> | Award Application Deadline 1:00 p.m.
(No late applications accepted) |
| <u>May 18</u> | Award Announcement Social –
12:00 p.m. in Room 506 |
| <u>June 5</u> | Award Reception – 7:00 p.m.
Multipurpose Room |
- Booklet available to view on the website
www.isfeldschool.com**

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COST ESTIMATES

Comparison of the costs of an eight month academic year at UVIC with an eight month university transfer program at North Island College.

(Shelter and utilities, food, transportation, and miscellaneous are approximate costs).

	University of Victoria	North Island College Based on living at home
Tuition	\$5, 262	\$2,500 - \$5,000 approx.
Shelter and utilities	\$7,380 (on campus-dbl)	0
Food	1,800	0
Local transportation	538	280
Miscellaneous	1,900	1,600
Books	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,700</u>
Total	\$17,059	\$6,080 – 8,580

POST-SECONDARY FINANCIAL AID

Grants, bursaries and awards are wonderful resources to help you finance your post-secondary education because they provide **money that does not need to be paid back**.

Awards are usually awarded based on merit rather than financial need.

Grants and bursaries are usually awarded based on:

- financial need
- academic achievement
- athletic skill
- special abilities that may also be considered

Every post-secondary institution has a financial aid office providing access to their bursary and award programs as well as government and private organization programs.

LOANS

Loans are given to students proving financial need with repayment beginning after leaving post-secondary education. The criteria vary from year to year so it is important to revisit the website each year.

Website for full information regarding loans www.aved.gov.bc.ca/studentaidbc

FINANCIAL AID WEBSITES

Some helpful websites are:

- www.canlearn.ca/eng/index.shtml (student loans, grants, scholarships button)
- www.scholarshipscanada.com
- www.studentawards.com

GOVERNOR – GENERAL’S BRONZE ACADEMIC MEDAL

Commencing in 1984, a Bronze Academic Medal, authorized by the Governor-General, will be awarded to the student with the highest academic standing from Mark R. Isfeld Secondary School’s graduating class.

PROVINCIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

AMOUNT: \$1,000

To qualify for a provincial scholarship you must:

- achieve at least a “B” (73% or higher) final mark (provincial exam and school mark combined in English 12, Communications 12, Français langue première 12, or English 12 First Peoples.
- achieve at least one “A” (86% or higher) and three “B”s (73% or higher on four of his/her provincial exams (can include the English 12 provincial exam).

If you qualify for a provincial scholarship you will receive a voucher for \$1,000 by mail in August.

DISTRICT AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIP

District Scholarships are awarded to graduating students who have excelled in fields other than academics. Students will be nominated by subject teachers. Selection is based on classroom performance and level of mastery. Students who are awarded a district scholarship receive a \$500 cheque and a \$500 voucher that can be redeemed upon registration at a post-secondary institution.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPRENTICESHIP SCHOLARSHIPS

MAXIMUM \$1,000

Students registered for the secondary school apprenticeship program may submit an application for this award within one year of graduation. For complete eligibility requirements see:

www.bced.gov.bc.ca/careers/ssa/application

LOCAL AWARD APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Be prepared to spend time and effort; successful award applications are the result of care, good supporting documents, and attention to detail. It is not possible to hurry this process!

The award committees consider the following:

- excellent attendance record
- excellent work habits

Some may consider:

- financial need
- academic performance
- community involvement

A: PREPARE EARLY

- Read through your award booklet completely.
- Attend one information and preparation session.
- Gather and copy all documents on good quality paper. (The school will not do any photocopying for students.)
- Be organized.
- Store in a multi-pocketed file folder.
- Be realistic. Check that you meet the criteria for the application. Follow the instructions carefully and accurately.
- Read the fine print. Focus on instructions. If an award is restricted, include detailed and precise information that identifies your eligibility for the award.

B: COMPLETE EACH INDIVIDUAL APPLICATION THOROUGHLY AND NEATLY

The Application Package is your opportunity to impress the Award Committees. The care you have taken in preparing your package with respect to spelling, organization and details often has a great deal to do with their decisions. It is well worth taking time and care in preparing and proofreading your application. Remember: false information may result in disqualification.

C: HAND IN COMPLETED PACKAGES

- Deadline for receipt of **ALL** application packages
Friday, March 10, 2017 @ 1:00 p.m.
- Staple all pages together;
do not use paper clips or put into an envelope.
- Return the completed packages to Ms. Gauthier or Ms. Long in Student Services on or before Friday, March 10, 2017.
- NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED**

NOTES

AWARD APPLICATION PACKAGES include:

Application Form

Group 1 Awards – Only **ONE** application form is required. Check off all awards you are **eligible** to apply for on the Award 1 check sheet.

GROUP 2 Awards – Complete a separate application form for **each** Group 2 Award you wish to apply for. (**Note: Some Awards require special application forms as noted in the booklet and are available in Student Services**).

Letter of Introduction

See specific instructions on page 8.

Letters of Reference

Include one or two letters of reference from an adult (i.e.: coach, community sponsor or employer). Each letter should outline the tasks for which you were responsible and comment on your qualities, abilities and/or tasks you performed for that organization. Allow enough time for your referee to complete the letter. Instructions for obtaining a letter of reference are in the Grad Transitions websites:

http://careers.sd71.bc.ca/grad_transition_course_8.htm or isfeldschool.com

Teachers may be listed as references on your resume, but letters must come from an adult who knows you outside the classroom or school setting.

Resume

See specific instructions on page 10.

Transcript request – must be in by Monday, March 6, 2017

Other Pertinent Information

May include awards, certificates or documentation of other achievements.

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Letters of Introduction (Personal Statement)

The importance of a good letter of introduction cannot be overemphasized since it is the usual basis for screening candidates. A good letter of introduction takes a great deal of time, effort, thought and revision; it is often the difference between a candidate being considered or rejected.

In a paragraph of 3 to 4 well-constructed sentences (minimum), state what your intended goals are in relation to post-secondary schooling, (i.e.: where do you plan to apply for/attend, what program will you enter, what degree(s) will you attain, etc.) If you do not plan to attend university immediately, discuss any work plans as they relate to your overall educational goals. Consider exchange/travel opportunities and discuss how they will enhance your learning process.

Follow a format which includes the following information:

1) Introduce yourself

- ✓ School currently attending.
- ✓ Main focus of courses.

2) Post-secondary plans

- ✓ College or university program you hope to attend.
- ✓ Identify the post-secondary institution(s) you would like to attend.
- ✓ Explain your ultimate career goal.

3) Achievements (highlights only)

- ✓ School achievements/awards.
- ✓ Community involvement.
- ✓ Brief summary of positions and offices held in school, youth organizations and the community. Grades 10, 11 and 12 are usually sufficient.
- ✓ Details of volunteer opportunities in the last 3-4 years.

4) Special circumstances Examples:

- ✓ Are you going to take a gap year?
- ✓ Medical conditions.
- ✓ Single parent family.

5) Thank the committee for considering your application

- ✓ It is important to show your appreciation.

The Award Resume



The Award Resume is a summary of all your accomplishments during your school years, including activities both in and outside of school. The following steps will help you prepare an Award Resume.

Before you start - Brainstorm relevant data in a variety of categories.

Only include subheadings in which you have information or experience; otherwise, do not include. Here are some typical categories:

Academic Achievements

Include all awards, Honour Roll standings, grade point average, Math competitions, Science Fair, etc. Mention any placements in special programs, or classes taken outside of regular school.

- Place most recent first. If more than one achievement in a given year, list the most important first.
- If some achievements span several years (i.e. Honour Roll Standing 2011-14), put the longest term achievements that are still current first.

Athletic Achievements

Include all awards, team membership, organizing of events, helping with events both school and community. Include solo athletic activities such as swimming, running, etc.

- Group by sport or activity. Within each grouping, begin with the most recent achievement or activity.

Achievements in the Visual and Performing Arts

Include all involvement in drama, music, dance, art, etc. Follow the same suggestion as Athletic Achievements.

School Involvement

Include membership in all clubs, student council, etc. Include all school volunteer experiences.

Community Involvement

Include membership in community groups, church groups (i.e. volunteer firefighter, United Way Youth Committee, canvassing for various charitable groups, etc.). Any volunteer work in which you have been involved (i.e.: summer day camps) that did not take place at your school site.

Seminars/Conferences Attended

Record anything attended in or out of town (i.e. Career Fair, P.A.R.T.Y. Program, Red Cross Training, Food Safe, anything subject-related, etc.). Begin with the most recent.

Skills

This can be broken down into several areas if needed. (i.e. Typing, Languages, Computer skills). Focus on strengths and positive qualities that enhance who you are and give insight to your character. Sample adjective terms to consider:

organized, attentive to detail, dependable, excellent memory, outgoing, positive demeanor, strong verbal and written communication skills, able to work effectively as a team member or individually, etc. Use your own terms/vocabulary.

Interests

List some areas that are of interest, hobbies or past-times (i.e. classic cars, gardening, martial arts, horseback riding, rowing).

Work Experience

Include paid or volunteer work experience from summer or continuing jobs. Begin with the most recent.

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1500 Malahat Ave
Courtenay, BC V9N 2Z4
(250) 334-1000

Education

Mark R. Isfeld Secondary
Graduating June 2017

Awards and Honours Received

2015 Mark R. Isfeld Secondary Community Service Award
Comox Valley Festival of the Arts, Gold place in Piano Solo category
2014 Most Improved Athlete in Physical Education
Mark R. Isfeld Secondary Junior Arts Pillar Award
2012 Youth In Action Award, honourable mention in Visual or Performing Arts
category
Comox Valley Heritage Society, painting selected to appear in exhibition
Since 2012 Mark R. Isfeld Secondary, honour roll student
Passport to Education, recipient

Extra Curricular Activities

Since 2014 Mark R. Isfeld Secondary Interact Club
Since 2012 Rainbow Youth Theatre, role of Rolfe in "Sound of Music" production
Since 2012 Member Vancouver Island Students' Independent Organization for Nature
Mark R. Isfeld Secondary, Senior Jazz Band
Mark R. Isfeld Secondary, Soccer team
Since 2005 Private Piano lessons

School and Community Involvement

2014 P.A.R.T.Y. Program, Preventing Alcohol Related Trauma in Youth,
participated as dramatically dead person, assisted in set up and clean up
2014 Counter Attack Road Sense Club, assisted with coordination of trauma
room for Vancouver Island Conference
2013 - 2017 Mark R. Isfeld Secondary Environmental Club, assisted in petitioning to save
local green space and planting of trees in community area
2011 Puntledge River Hatchery Tour (elementary school field trip project) assisted in
the day's activities, Brooklyn Creek Clean-up Program, assisted in the day's
activities

Work Experience

Since 2015 McDonalds Restaurant, cashier, customer service

2013 – 2014 Courtenay Recreation Centre, Summer Kids in the Park Camp

Since 2012 Private childcare

Certification and Conferences

2015 Canadian Red Cross Emergency First Aid, includes CPR level C
Super Host Fundamentals

Food Safe Level 1

BC Drivers License

Bronze Medallion

2013 Changes Conference, “How to make a difference in our community”

Red Cross Leaders of Tomorrow, camp leader

Encounters With Canada

Mountie Camp, participant

References

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Comox, BC V8M 1Z2

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Courtenay Detachment, RCMP

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Ms. Jane Marshall , Counsellor

Mark R. Isfeld Secondary

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Courtenay, BC V9M 9B5

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GROUP ONE AWARDS

Successful candidates are chosen by the Mark R. Isfeld Award Committee

1.1 AERO ARTS SCREEN PRINTING ARTS

AMOUNT: \$100

Aero Art Screen Printing is pleased to provide a \$100 award to a student who plans to enter an arts program at a post-secondary institution.

1.2 ANDY'S AUTO CENTER EDMUND H KAUPE MEMORIAL

AMOUNT: \$250

Andy's Auto Center is pleased to provide a \$250 award to a graduating student planning to pursue a post-secondary education in the automotive field. A photocopy of receipt of enrolment and tuition paid to a post-secondary institution is to be provided to Andy's Auto Center at which time funds will be distributed directly to the recipient.

1.3 ARTHUR & PHYLLIS RAMSELL

AMOUNT: \$1,000

This award is provided from a fund established by Arthur & Phyllis Ramsell and administered by the Comox Valley Community Foundation. The recipient must be pursuing a career in the field of Health Care. The Ramsell's are interested in supporting higher education firstly in the area of Nursing, and secondary in General Health Care.

1.4 AUTO MECHANICS

AMOUNT: \$700 minimum

The Comox Valley Classic Cruisers was established in 1986 as a social activity for people interested in preserving antique and collectible vehicles. In order to keep this legacy ongoing and to stimulate interest in the youth of today, we offer this bursary to students who are truly interested in this field and wish to further their knowledge and training. The student:

1. Must be a grade 12 graduate;
2. Must show financial need;
3. Must register and be accepted in an automotive course or automotive apprenticeship program after graduation.

1.5 BRYAN MORGAN ENDOWMENT FUND

AMOUNT: \$300

This bursary was established by friends, colleagues, and former students of Bryan Morgan, a longtime teacher and administrator in the school district, who retired in 2006. It will be presented to a graduating student who:

1. intends to pursue post-secondary education
2. demonstrates exceptional service to others in the school, community, or beyond

This bursary alternates between the high schools. It is awarded to Mark R. Isfeld this year.

1.6 CANADIAN DAUGHTERS' LEAGUE ASSEMBLY #6

AMOUNT: \$600 – Academic / \$600 - Vocational

The Canadian Daughter's League #6 of Courtenay is an educational fraternal society of Canadian women dedicated to promote the interest of Canada and of Canadians. One of the annual projects of this society is to provide awards to deserving graduating grade 12 students, male or female, who plan to pursue post-secondary education at North Island College campuses.

Applicant must have completed all grade 12 courses and be ready to begin post-secondary education and attention will be paid to academic standings and financial need.

Student must be registered to take on the minimum course load at North Island College which qualifies as a full year of studies to complete year one of academics or year one of vocational. Students enrolled in September 2017, but have to wait until January 2018 to get into courses only available starting January 2018, qualify for this award.

Any student who receives an award or many bursaries capable of paying for one year at North Island College are not eligible.

The deadline for claiming the bursary is December 31, 2107.

1.7 CITY OF COURTENAY

AMOUNT: 7 X \$250

The City of Courtenay is pleased to offer seven awards to the following grades:

Grade 9 - 1 x \$250

Grade 10 - 2 x \$250

Grade 11 - 2 x \$250

Grade 12 - 2 x \$250

The City of Courtenay recognizes that the Youth of the Comox Valley have immense potential, and those who put forth efforts to make the Comox Valley a better place need to be encouraged, recognized and celebrated. By providing an award fund, the City intends to encourage community involvement and assist young people in their pursuit of further education (this includes lifestyle development training). This award is offered to all grades 9, 10, 11 and 12 students at the Aboriginal Education Centre, Glacier View, Lake Trail, Mark R. Isfeld, Vanier and Navigate (NIDES). Students must be a resident of Courtenay, be active in the community as a volunteer, possess a successful academic standing and positive work habits. Students who demonstrate financial need will be given priority.

Money will be paid out upon proof of registration to an accredited post-secondary institution (includes colleges, technical schools, universities, and specialty schools). Recipients would have 15 months after completion of grade 12 to claim the award.

1.8 COMOX DISTRICT TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

AMOUNT: \$500

The Comox Valley Teachers' Association - teachers in School District No.71 offer an award for graduating students. There is one award to an Isfeld graduate with a preference given to a student who intends to proceed into a Teacher Education Program.

The award may be held for a student for up to one year if the student writes a letter requesting it to be held. Upon receiving the award, the recipient shall fill in a brief questionnaire giving a brief description on how they will use the funds and include a grad photo to the CDTA for the CDTA newsletter. The graduating student shall then receive a cheque from the Association.

1.9 COMOX VALLEY MONARCH LIONS'

AMOUNT: \$1,000

This is a technical / trades award given to a student who is continuing education. Student must show a need for financial assistance. This award must be claimed within a year of presentation.

1.10 COMOX VALLEY PRINCIPALS & VICE-PRINCIPALS ASSOCIATION

AMOUNT: 2 X \$500

The Comox Valley School Administrators Association is pleased to offer two awards to the graduating class at Mark R. Isfeld Secondary. One award will go to a student proceeding to post-secondary education and one to a student attending a vocational education. Proof of registration at a post-secondary institution must be submitted to the donor by October 31, 2017.

1.11 COMOX VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT

AMOUNT: \$1,000

The Comox Valley Regional District would like to encourage and support educational pursuits in the area of water and waste water services.

Eligibility: \$1,000 award is available to Mark R. Isfeld Secondary School provided by Baynes Sounds-Denman/Hornby Islands (Area A).

Application Process and Criteria:

1. Proof of registration and attendance at a relevant Canadian accredited post-secondary institution offering Environmental Operators Certification Program (EOCP) training such as:
 - Okanagan College
 - Thompson Rivers University
 - British Columbia Institute of Technology
 - Kwantlen Polytechnic University
 - Northern Alberta Institute of Technology
 - North Island College related program
2. Involvement in extra-curricular activities.
3. Letter of introduction as stipulated by the respective school's award application process.
4. Two letters of reference from a non-relative.

1.12 COURTENAY ELKS' # 60

AMOUNT: \$1,000

The Courtenay Elks is pleased to offer an award to a graduating student who enrolls in a full course of studies in a post-secondary institution. Guidelines for selection are firstly financial need and further qualified by (a) school achievement (b) citizenship and involvement in school and / or community activities.

1.13 COURTENAY ROYAL PURPLE LODGE #158

AMOUNT: 2 X \$1,000

This award will be awarded to a student who will be proceeding to further their education either at a university or vocational level and must have a full program of studies.

This bursary will be awarded to a graduating student upon verification of registration at an approved post-secondary training program within the time frame June 2017 – January 2018. Important considerations will be financial need and academic standings.

1.14 DE MONG FAMILY MEMORIAL

AMOUNT: \$600

This award is available to a student who graduates from any secondary school in the Courtenay Agricultural District of the B.C. Ministry of Agriculture (1980), which includes Vancouver Island School Districts from Nanaimo north, including Powell River. Applicants must be proceeding to further education.

1.15 EMCON SERVICES INC.

AMOUNT: \$500

This award, (one offered district wide), is available to a son, daughter or grandchild of an Emcon Services employee. It will be awarded to a graduate that is going on to further education at a post-secondary education. Preference is given to candidates pursuing industry-related trades (heavy duty mechanics, welding, bridge worker, industrial warehousing etc). The bursary must be used during the school year immediately following graduation. Proof of enrolment and student's social insurance number is required in order to access the payment.

The criteria for the bursary will be focused on need, effort, interest and responsibility rather than strict academics (C+ average or better preferred).

In the event that no son, daughter or grandchild of an Emcon employee is graduating from any of the district secondary schools, the schools will recommend candidates who meet the above criteria.

Final selection of the successful candidate will be determined by the donor.

1.16 FILBERG HERITAGE LODGE AND PARK ASSOCIATION

AMOUNT: \$500

This award is to be presented to a graduating student entering studies at a British Columbia College or University in the field of history and / or horticulture. This award is made possible by the generosity of our volunteers.

1.17 FRANK LOOR

AMOUNT: \$200

Candidate must be entering a medical field other than dental work or chiropractic.

1.18 JEAN KOTCHER LEADERSHIP

AMOUNT: \$500

Jean Kotcher, who taught in the Comox Valley for many years, was an inspiring and nurturing teacher. As a skilled mediator for the British Columbia Teacher's Federation Internal Medication Services, Ms. Kotcher travelled around BC to help teachers mediate and resolve issues.

Jean led by example; showing students, colleagues, and friends how to live in the world with openness and curiosity. She approached social justice issues with respect for the individual and for due process and encouraged others to do the same.

This award is awarded to a student from the graduating class who has shown exceptional commitment to **leadership*** and has actively participated in school and/or community service. The school's Award Committee will select the recipient based on demonstrated leadership, post-secondary plans and academic achievement.

**Leadership in student council and/or social justice issues within the school and /or community organizations is to be considered when selecting the recipient.*

1.19 KIWANIS CLUB OF COURTENAY

AMOUNT: \$2,000 (subject to budget)

The Kiwanis Club of Courtenay is pleased to offer an award to a graduate of Mark R. Isfeld Secondary. The applicant must show academic promise, demonstrating financial need, and with a proven record of community / school service.

**1.20 MARK R. ISFELD INTERACT
AMOUNT: \$500**

This award is provided by the Mark R. Isfeld Secondary School Interact Club. It will be available to a grade 12 student who meets the following criteria:

1. proceeding to post-secondary education
2. has demonstrated service to school and/or community
3. has some involvement in extracurricular activities (could include job, sports teams, youth group etc.)

This award can be deferred for one year; proof of registration at a post-secondary institution must be submitted to Mark R. Isfeld Secondary School by October 31, 2017.

**1.21 NORTH ISLAND COLLEGE FOUNDATION
AMOUNT: \$1,000**

A bursary in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to a Mark R. Isfeld Secondary student who is entering North Island College (on a full time basis) in the following year. The recipient must be enrolling in college or university level courses. The successful student will have maintained a minimum C+ average in their Grade 12 year. Students should be evaluated partially on the basis of financial need. In lieu of a cheque, a letter will be issued to the student at their school awards ceremony. Payment will be made to North Island College and applied to the student's tuition fees when they enroll at the college.

**1.22 PLATEAU TEMPLE #7 PYTHIAN SISTERS
AMOUNT: \$500**

The Pythian Sisters of Plateau Temple #7 are pleased to offer a \$500 award to the 2017 graduation class. Applicants must be planning to attend a post-secondary educational institute. A cheque will be made payable to the institution upon notification of the recipient's registration. Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- students related to a member of the Pythian order
- financial need of the student

Please ensure the criteria is noted on your Group 1 application form.

**1.23 ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #211, BOWSER
AMOUNT: \$750**

This award is open to graduating students of Mark R. Isfeld Secondary who reside in the Qualicum Bay, Bowser, Deep Bay, Fanny Bay, Union Bay, Denman Island and Hornby Island areas and whose parents or grandparents (natural or legal) meet one of the following guidelines: War veteran or member of the armed forces, or active member of Canadian Legion # 211, Bowser. Applications will be judged on the basis of scholastic ability as determined by the school staff, financial need, qualities of leadership in the school and community, and qualities which indicate special achievement or promise. The candidates must be proceeding to a Canadian University, B.C.I.T., a registered school of nursing, a regional college or a vocational school. Mark R. Isfeld Secondary will inform Bowser Legion of the name of the selected recipient and the award will be forwarded to the secondary school for delivery to the recipient.

This award must be utilized by December of the next year following graduation.

**1.24 VANCOUVER FOUNDATION
AMOUNT: 2 X \$2,000 (academic)
AMOUNT: 1 X \$1,000 (vocational)**

The Vancouver Foundation in conjunction with the Courtenay Rotary Club offers awards to graduates of the Comox Valley. The selection criteria includes: academic achievements, character qualifications including leadership, community involvement, participation in extra-curricular activities and vocational excellence.

1.25 VANCOUVER ISLAND REAL ESTATE BOARD

AMOUNT: \$1,000

The Vancouver Island Real Estate Board, on behalf of the members of the Comox Valley, offers a \$1,000 award to each of the Comox Valley high schools. The award will go to successful graduating students planning on taking building-trade related courses. The funds must be used in the following school year and not postponed for another period.

****This award is pending****

1.26 WILLIAM 'BUD' COLBOW

AMOUNT: \$1,000

This award is provided from a fund established by the estate of William Lloyd Colbow and administered by the Comox Valley Community Foundation. The recipient must be connected in some way with the Comox Valley and be pursuing studies in **Agriculture or Forestry**.

1.27 WILLIAM G. LAMB MEMORIAL

AMOUNT: \$250

Bill Lamb was a long time teacher at Vanier and one of Highland's original teachers. His teaching area was drama. Preference is given to students who have been active in the performing arts.

GROUP TWO AWARDS

Successful candidates are chosen by the donor organization

2.1 ANNE GIBBON MEMORIAL – HOPE AFLOAT

AMOUNT: 2 X \$750

Hope Afloat Canada is a Comox Valley Dragon Boat team made up of people who have been diagnosed with breast cancer as well as women surviving all types of cancer. We believe that we can live full and active lives by participating in the sport of dragon boat racing. Anne Gibbon was a founding member of Hope Afloat (Canada), a valued and energetic team-mate.

The Anne Gibbon Memorial Award (Hope Afloat Canada) in the amount of \$750 is offered to a student entering the field of Health Sciences at any accredited post-secondary Canadian institution in British Columbia in the next year.

Criteria include:

1. financial need
2. academic excellence
3. involvement in extracurricular activities
4. two reference letters

Please complete the Anne Gibbon Memorial (Hope Afloat Canada) application form available on our website www.hopeafloatcanada.ca or pick one up in Student Services.

2.2 ARTS FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

AMOUNT: \$500

This award is intended for a student intent on pursuing a career in music education. Applicants must submit a short essay describing their passion to teach music and outlining their involvement in the arts. In the event no qualified music applicants come forward, the bursary will be considered for students pursuing a career in the education of the arts.

2.3 BAYNES SOUND LIONS' CLUB IRENE FUDGE

AMOUNT: \$500

This award is offered by the Baynes Sound Lion's Club. The recipient will be a resident of Union Bay, Fanny Bay, Denman or Hornby Island who is graduating from Mark R. Isfeld and will be proceeding to a post-secondary institution.

2.4 BILL SWALES

AMOUNT: \$500 (up to 7 awarded)

These awards are being donated by Comox Valley Pride, a non-profit group that represented the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered, Queer (GLBTQ) community and their allies from 2009-2012 and is available to all students graduating from Mark R. Isfeld, Vanier, Highland and Glacier View.

Bill Swales worked hard for humanity and was actively involved in organizing events for the GLBTQ community for many years and was the President of Comox Valley Pride until he passed away in 2012. Bill was especially committed to making life better for GLBTQ youth and hoped that future generations of youth would have an easier time than those of his generation.

Criteria for this award are as follows:

- The awards are for any form of post-secondary education or training, including programs like hair dressing schools, trades training, etc. Post-secondary does NOT have to be at a college or university level.

- Not solely based on academic achievement but are intended to recognize those that participate in the wellbeing of GLBTQ students and their allies.
- Are open to **all** students (i.e., those that identify as GLBTQ **as well as** allies).
- Involvement in their school's GSA, or in the process of getting a GSA started.
- Leadership qualities.
- Kind, open and inclusive attitudes towards others.
- Promote acceptance of GLBTQ students.

2.5 CANDYSTRIPER / JUNIOR VOLUNTEER

AMOUNT: 2 x \$1,000

The Youth Volunteer award is made available to students who have volunteered and plan to enter the field of health care.

Applicants must complete the St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary Youth Volunteer application form. This form is at St. Joseph's Hospital in Volunteer Services. The deadline is April 15th.

2.6 CCFCC-NORTH VANCOUVER ISLAND CHEF'S ASSOCIATION

AMOUNT: \$250

The CCFCC-North Vancouver Island Chef's Association offers a award in the amount of \$250 towards Culinary Arts training. This bursary will be awarded to a *high school student in SD No. 71* that is pursuing a career in the Culinary Arts. This student must be attending a local college to pursue their career. Funds will be released upon confirmation of enrollment in programming. Priority will be given to a student that has taken foods in high school and has shown an interest in the Culinary Arts.

The application process is a letter to the Chef's Association outlining your interest in the Culinary Arts, career goals and what local college you will be using the bursary/award funds for. Also a letter of referenced is required from your teacher, employer, chef or mentor.

All applications must be submitted online to info@northvancouverislandchefs.com by midnight on April 30, 2017. Any late applications will not be accepted. Recipients will be announced at the June Installation Dinner. Any bursary and awards not awarded or accepted may be carried over until the next year.

2.7 CEP CHINOOK LOCAL 630

AMOUNT: \$1,000

CEP Chinook Local 630 represented the paper workers at Elk Falls Mill in Campbell River from 1952 until the mill closure in 2010. As a result of no longer having an active membership, Chinook Local 630 has created an award fund for students going in to any post-secondary or vocational education program. Commencing in June 2014, and continuing for 25 years, a award in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to a graduating candidate who demonstrates financial need and successfully answers the following essay question: "What does the labor movement mean to me?"

This award is open to any student graduating from School District No. 71. Preference will be given to qualified candidates that can prove a hereditary relationship to a former CEP Chinook Local 630 member.

Special application forms are available in Student Services.

2.8 COASTAL COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION

AMOUNT: 8 X \$2,000

The Scholarship program is open to grade 12 students planning to attend full time undergraduate study at an approved college or university, trade school or special interest school. In order for the students to be eligible, we ask that you submit a plan for a project to improve their community. The donor would like students to look closely at their community and see where they can make a difference. We ask that you Keep It Simple! The application deadline is April 1, 2017.

Coastal Community will be awarding **8 scholarships of \$2,000** each based on their community plan. Of those 8 recipients, **2 students** will be awarded an additional \$1,000 to implement their project plans and will receive an **additional \$500** award based on completion of their project.

One of the eight awards will be allocated to a Coastal Community employee relative.

Please note this program is being offered to students across Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands.

Applications will only be accepted through the online application which can be found under “In Our Communities” tab at cccu.ca.

2.9 COMOX FIRE RESCUE NORM PRATT

AMOUNT: \$500

The Comox Fire Department is pleased to offer an award to a Mark R. Isfeld Secondary graduating student.

2.10 COMOX ROTARY CLUB

AMOUNT: 2 X \$1,000

Two awards are offered to Mark R. Isfeld graduates who intend to continue on to post-secondary education in a program that leads to a degree or diploma in a service related field. For example (but not limited to): teaching, health care, tourism, etc.

Preference is given each year to a male and female based on financial need. Award recipients must show proof of enrolment in a post-secondary institution within 15 months of the award.

2.11 COMOX ROTARY CLUB – INTERACT

AMOUNT: 1 X \$1,000

The Comox Rotary Club recognizes that students who participate in the Interact Club make a significant contribution to their school community, their local community and to the global community. These students provide leadership and set an example for their peers that demonstrate the value of serving their communities. They give their time and talents in an effort to improve the lives of others.

In recognition of these efforts, the Comox Rotary Club has established an annual award fund in the amount of \$1,000. This fund will provide two awards in the amount of \$1,000 each.

The funds are designated to be applied to the tuition at a recognized post-secondary educational institution. It is anticipated that such an institution will be a trade school, institute of technology, college or university.

Criteria for Eligibility:

- two year membership (including grade 12 year) in Mark Isfeld Interact Club
- leadership in a major service project within the Interact Club
- attended a minimum of two Comox Rotary Club meetings (as a guest of the club)
- active participation in another school or community organization
- acceptance and registration in a recognized post-secondary educational program

Application and Selection Process

Selection will be made by a committee of teachers from the school (which shall include the teacher sponsor of the Interact Club) and members of the Rotary Club of Comox. Applicants must submit a letter outlining their accomplishments, their educational goals and how being a member of the Interact Club has influenced them. They must also submit a letter of support from the school or community organization other than the Interact Club.

The award may be deferred for one year upon receipt of a written request.

2.12 COMOX VALLEY CHILDREN'S DAYCARE SOCIETY – STUART FODEN MEMORIAL AMOUNT: \$500

The Comox Valley Children's Daycare Society – Stuart Foden Memorial is a district-wide award, available for a graduating student of School District No. 71. The criterion for this award is:

The recipient will be entering the Early Childhood Care and Education program at North Island College full time. The person will be selected by a committee from the Comox Valley Children's Daycare Society as this is a district wide award.

2.13 COMOX VALLEY MULTICULTURAL SOCIETY AMOUNT: 4 X \$250

The Comox Valley Multicultural Society is a non-profit volunteer based organization that has been promoting multiculturalism in the Comox Valley for more than 20 years. The Intercultural Award will be given to 4 graduating students in the Comox Valley (\$250 per student), whose families and/or parents are either members of CVMS or immigrants from countries where English is not an official language. The award is to recognize the academic accomplishment the students have made through years of hard work while adapting to Canadian society. Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale to be eligible.

2.14 COMOX VALLEY NATURE (CVN) AMOUNT: \$1,000

This award is awarded to a graduating secondary school student in the Comox Valley who meets the following eligibility requirements:

1. Have a career goal in biological or environmental sciences.
2. Preferably be actively involved in environmental and/or natural history-related activities.
3. Have high academic standing in courses relevant to biological and/or environmental sciences.
4. Have community volunteer experience, preferably with CVN or other environmentally-related organizations.
5. Be proceeding to a post-secondary institution within 15 months from the date of secondary school graduation (up to the start of the fall semester of the year following graduation).

The CVN-specific Bursary Application Form (which complements the generic application form and supporting documents provided by the schools that students submit to us) is available on our website at [comoxvalleynaturalist.bc.ca/bursary/financial aid](http://comoxvalleynaturalist.bc.ca/bursary/financial%20aid) and in Student Services.

2.15 COMOX VALLEY UNITED SOCCER CLUB

AMOUNT: 6 X \$500

The Comox Valley United Soccer Club will provide up to six \$500 awards, provided there are applicants that we deem match the criteria. The awards are awarded for soccer involvement, not by attendance at a particular school. The following five criteria are required in order to be considered for one of the awards:

1. Significant history of involvement with the CVUSC;
2. Possesses the profile/qualities of a highly motivated, well-rounded soccer athlete;
3. Contribution to the club other than as a player;
4. Family contribution to the club;
5. Provides proof of attendance at an accredited post-secondary institution for the following September.

2.16 COURTENAY & DISTRICT FISH & GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

AMOUNT: 2 X 1,000

This organization is active in the community in promoting wildlife management.

Two awards of \$1,000 will be presented each year to two students that qualify in at least one of the two criteria.

1. A student furthering their education in the field which Courtenay Fish & Game promotes. i.e. Conservation, Environment, Forestry, Fisheries. This student does not necessarily have to be a club member dependent.
2. The second recipient should be a dependent and not necessarily going into the conservation/environmental field. Dependents of members of Courtenay Fish & Game Protective Association means, child or grandchild.
3. Applicants must include a paragraph expressing the managed harvest of our renewable resources that is asked on the application.

Special application forms are available in Student Services.

2.17 COURTENAY LITTLE THEATRE

AMOUNT: 3 X \$1,500

Courtenay Little Theatre is pleased to offer three awards to assist graduates from the Comox Valley towards further study in the field of theatre, both technical and performance. In order to be eligible, students must intend to pursue theatre courses following graduation and have successfully participated in a school or extracurricular program that focuses upon drama. Criteria for selection will include participation in school and community theatrical activity, academic achievement, written recommendations, and contribution to Courtenay Little Theatre. When two or more candidates meet the four main criteria equally, financial need will be taken into consideration.

Proof of registration in a theatre program of the student's choice will be required prior to the receipt of these awards. Should no appropriate applications be received from students in the field of theatre, consideration may be given to applications from students entering other disciplines in the performing arts.

2.18 CULTURAL LEADERSHIP

AMOUNT: \$500

This award is being set up by Bev Skwenuik to recognize and award a student who has demonstrated in the community an active promotion or celebration of his or her cultural heritage.

From the words of Bev, "What defines us as Canadians...often includes reference to our cultural diversity. To express ourselves both freely and proudly, whilst acknowledging our cultural diversity is a wonderful opportunity granted to every Canadian citizen."

This award is open to all graduating students from Mark R. Isfeld, Vanier and Highland.

**2.19 CUPE LOCAL 439 (SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 71) - MARGARET ZARUK MEMORIAL
AMOUNT: \$2,000**

The Local shall fund \$2,000 annually for the The Margaret Zaruk Memorial Bursary to be awarded in June of each year. To qualify, any graduating grade 12 School District No. 71 student must be the child/grandchild of a current member in good standing of CUPE Local 439 or child/grandchild or a retired member of CUPE Local 439, or the child/grandchild of a member who passed away while they were a member of CUPE Local 439. Each year the Committee will determine whether the bursaries will be two \$1,000 or four \$500 bursaries.

Special application forms are available in Student Services.

**2.20 CUPE LOCAL 439 (SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 71) – MEMORIAL
AMOUNT: \$2,000**

The Local shall fund \$2,000 annually for the CUPE 439 Memorial Bursary to be awarded in June of each year. To qualify, any graduating grade 12 School District No. 71 student must be the child/grandchild of a current member in good standing of CUPE Local 439 or child/grandchild of a retired member of Local 439, or the child/grandchild of a member who passed away while they were a member of CUPE Local 439. Each year the Committee will determine whether the bursaries will be two \$1,000 or four \$500 bursaries.

Special application forms are available in Student Services.

**2.21 DR. ROBERT E. CLARKE
AMOUNT: \$3,000 x 2 years**

1. This award is awarded on the basis of scholarly and community merit, strength of character and financial need, to a Comox Valley student pursuing a career in the Health Sciences.

- Academic gold or silver honour roll standing in grades 11 & 12
- Contribution to the community at large
- Character i) That which a person really is; nature; disposition; ii) Strength of mind; resolution, independence, individuality; iii) A unique or extraordinary individual, characterized by notable traits.

2. Applicants will be short listed by the School Award Committee with final selection being made by the Clarke family or their designate (Group 2 Award).

3. In 400 words or less, please explain your interest in the healthcare field, your career plans in this field, and why you believe you should be the candidate selected for this award.

4. Release of the award requires proof of registration and attendance at a post-secondary institution.

5. The successful candidate will receive \$1,500 for each of 2 consecutive years of study. If the candidate discontinues their studies at any time, any remaining amounts due to that student will be forfeited.

6. Consideration will also be given to exceptional candidates who have previously graduated from a Comox Valley high school and are pursuing a career in the field of Health Sciences.

**2.22 EXCEL CAREER COLLEGE
AMOUNT: 2 X \$1,000***

Excel Career College has been offering a wide range of Diploma programs as well as individual courses and certifications, each designed with student needs and the current labour market in mind. Excel strives to continually improve their training and professional leadership and provide students with an effective, respectful and relevant learning experience. Excel Career College is registered and accredited with the Private Career Training Institutes Agency (PCTIA), and a member of the National and BC Career Colleges Associations. Excel's unique schedule and individual customization of programs makes them the perfect choice to build your career.

Excel Career College would like to take this opportunity to offer two awards of \$1,000 each* towards the tuition of a full-time career program at Excel Career College. Application must include a one page essay on why you would like to attend Excel. Applicants must be graduating within the current or previous school year to be eligible.

*One individual may qualify to win both awards.

2.23 GRAD EXEC CLUB 2016
AMOUNT: \$500

The Grad Exec Club 2016 created this award using profits from their grad year, wanting to leave behind a legacy of their time and commitment to the school.

Requirements:

- Active Grad Exec member:
 - attendance since September
 - participation in discussion and events
 - volunteers at Grad Exec events in and out of school time
- Minimum 73% average
- Must be pursuing further education (post-secondary or certification – first aid, food safe, NLS, etc.)
- Provide a copy of transcript

2.24 HARMONY REBEKAH LODGE #22
AMOUNT: \$300

Harmony Rebekah Lodge #22 is pleased to offer a award to a graduate of Mark R. Isfeld Secondary. Preference will be given to a member's child. The award will be paid to the student upon verification of registration from a post-secondary institution.

2.25 IAN FORD TRUST FUND
AMOUNT: \$250

The Ian Ford Trust Fund Award was created from funds donated to the Village of Port Alice, in memory Ian Ford, who lost his life in a mudslide while working with the Public Works Crew to clear a roadway. Mr. Ford had been an Alderman for several years, and was in charge of Public Works, as well as Emergency Coordinator for the Village. He was employed by Western Pulp Ltd. as Safety Coordinator.

This award is available to any graduating Vancouver Island student who intends to enter post-secondary studies in any course of study, any recognized post-secondary institution, immediately following high school graduation.

Special application forms are available in Student Services.

2.26 IODE LAURA GORDON CHAPTER
AMOUNT: 2 X \$250

The IODE Chapter 11071 in Comox offers two awards to graduating students who are proceeding to a post-secondary institution in the fall.

- One award will be awarded to a student pursuing an academic field.
- One award will be awarded to a student studying the arts or pursuing a career as a tradesperson.

The award must be used before the 30th of September in the year that it is awarded, and will be paid once proof of acceptance at a university or college of choice is submitted.

**2.27 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (Dr. T. Briggs Council)
(IN HONOUR OF MACKENZIE WITZEL)
AMOUNT: \$750**

The Dr. T. Briggs Council Knights of Columbus Award is presented in honour of MacKenzie S. Witzel a distinguished member of our council and father of three teachers. This award will be awarded to a student from the Mark R. Isfeld graduating class who demonstrates scholastic achievement, extra-curricular activities, participation and community involvement. Only well prepared applications will be considered and financial need will be a factor. Preference will be given to students pursuing college or university level courses within the province of British Columbia. Award must be used by the end of the year in which they are awarded.

**2.28 LIAM GRIMM MUSIC MEMORIAL
AMOUNT: \$500**

The Liam Grimm Memorial Bursary (sponsored by the Georgia Straight Jazz Society) is awarded to a deserving student who meets the following criteria:

- a) Is a student of the Campbell River, Qualicum, or Comox Valley School District.
- b) Submits a letter of recommendation from a school or private music teacher.
- c) Submits a letter recommendation from a community music contact.
- d) Will attend a college or university music program in the same calendar year.
- e) Submits a letter demonstrating qualities that exemplify the following attributes of Liam Grimm: the joy of studying and playing music in school and, in turn, sharing one's music talents with community organizations (combos, bands, choirs, pit orchestras, church choirs). The applicant should also describe his/her future plans in studying music.
- f) Preference may be given to a student pursuing jazz studies.

Liam Grimm was a Campbell River resident who had a profound and lasting influence in his community. Liam was a kind and gentle man. He helped create the Community Support Worker Program at Discovery Community College and cared for people with special needs; he was an independent educator offering classes in psychology, religion, and spirituality and a talented musician. His life ended on March 15th, 2009 when he was overcome by health complications brought on by cancer.

**2.29 MARK R. ISFELD SR. BOYS ICE BASKETBALL ALUMNI
AMOUNT: 2 x \$500**

The Senior Boys Ice Basketball Alumni Award goes to a student who has made a significant contribution to Mark R. Isfeld's senior basketball program. This student exemplifies skill, sportsmanship, determination and hard work on and off the basketball court. Applicants should provide some examples of what they have learned by being part of the Ice Basketball Program and how they think these lessons will help them in future stages of their lives. Students should be registered in a post-secondary program and priority would be given to students continuing their basketball pursuits at a college or university level.

Application should include minimum one paragraph stating what the student has learned by being a part of the Isfeld Basketball Program and how they plan to apply this experience in the future.

**2.30 MIKE BUTLER AWARD FOR TECHNICAL THEATRE SKILLS
AMOUNT: \$500**

Mike Butler is one of the founding members of Rainbow Youth Theatre Society. He is also the longest serving member of the RYT board of directors and was its President for 20 years. Mike is a tireless volunteer who has provided his skills in lighting design and technical skills for over three decades. RYT chose to honour Mike's selfless dedication to our organization and the Arts Community with a \$500 award that was announced at RYT's 25th anniversary celebration in 2013.

This award is to support students who have an interest in pursuing a career in sound, lighting, set design, props and prop-making, set painting, stage management and directing.

To be eligible, students must:

- Be graduating from grade 12
- Be a Rainbow member; (or have been a member during the previous theatre season)
- Plan to pursue further education in the arts; specifically, **Technical Production for Theatre and Live Events, Stage Management, Lighting or Sound Design, Lighting and Sound Technician**
- Exemplify the spirit of Rainbow Youth Theatre, and our founder Mike Butler

2.31 MUSICFEST AMOUNT: \$500

The MusicFest Award has been created to assist graduating Comox Valley students who wish to continue their studies at a post-secondary institution in a field related to the performing arts both technical and performance or the entertainment industry (including film and video).

Criteria for the award include:

- Proof of application or registration in a post-secondary arts program
- Community involvement in the arts and/or volunteer work with other community agencies
- Must be investing a minimum of 2 hours per week in formal training at a senior level in a performing art, which can include technical theatre training or training in theatre promotion and marketing. A letter or recommendation is required from the instructor.
- Academic standing
- Evidence of need for financial assistance

Special application form, including a full list of criteria, is available in Student Services.

2.32 PARKSVILLE QUILT HOUSE QUILTERS' GUILD AMOUNT: 2 x \$750

The Parksville Quilt House Quilters' Guild members are offering two awards to students who are either graduating from a school in Central Vancouver Island (SD #68 Nanaimo, #69 Qualicum, #70 Port Alberni and #71 Comox Valley) or are a member, or the child or grandchild of a member in good standing of the Guild. These awards are \$750 each and are to be given to deserving students who plan to attend an accredited post-secondary program in Canada within 27 months of presentation of the award.

Preference will also be given to:

- students pursuing a degree in textile arts, fashion design, or graphic arts
- students who have successfully completed a course of study in textiles or fashion design at secondary school
- students who have demonstrated a strong interest/personal portfolio in quilting, quilting history, or textile arts

The successful applicants must provide proof of registration to the Guild treasurer before the funds will be released.

Special application form is available in Student Services and a letter of recommendation from the school's textile's teacher should be included with the student's application.

2.33 PEARL ELLIS GALLERY

AMOUNT: 2 X \$750

The Pearl Ellis Gallery in Comox began offering high school awards in 2007 in order to fulfill its educational goal as laid out in the Society's constitution and to celebrate its 30th year of operation. The gallery was established to showcase local artists. It is a nonprofit society run entirely by member volunteers.

The Gallery is offering two awards of \$750 each and will be awarded annually to two Grade 12 students (one from Highland Secondary School and one from within the boundaries of School District No. 71 – Comox Valley) who wish to pursue visual arts in a post-secondary program, have demonstrated active involvement in their community, and in furthering their artistic involvement in their community, and in furthering their artistic talents. Pearl Ellis Gallery would also appreciate some visuals of the applicant's art work.

Criteria for recipients and an application can be found on the Pearl Ellis Gallery website at www.pearlellisgallery.com.

2.34 RAINBOW YOUTH THEATRE

BETTY DIXON AND THELMA OLIVER MEMORIAL

AMOUNT: \$500 EACH

Betty and her husband, Harry, were spectators during the first season of Rainbow but became enthusiastic supporters thereafter. Betty was a member of Rainbow for many years, serving on the board, behind the scenes, and on stage. When Betty passed away in early December of 2000, Harry and the family requested that donations in her memory be made to Rainbow Youth Theatre. This generous bequest has allowed Rainbow to offer an award each year to one of its members graduating from high school and continuing on to post-secondary education in the arts. The Betty Dixon Memorial Award is \$500.

In 2011, we introduced an additional award, the Thelma Oliver Memorial Award. This award will also be available to graduating students heading on to post-secondary education in the performing arts. This second award, which is also in the amount of \$500, has been made possible thanks to the generous support of Thelma's family and friends.

Amount of each of the two awards is \$500 (total \$1,000).

RYT encourages graduating Comox Valley youth to apply for these awards. It is not necessary to identify which of the two awards you are applying for and it is possible for one applicant to be awarded both awards by an RYT selection committee.

Please note that we consider post-secondary education in the 'performing arts' to include:

- drama;
- dance;
- music;
- opera;
- magic;
- spoken word; and
- circus arts

To be eligible, students must:

- Be graduating from grade 12 in the Comox Valley School District;
- Be a recent RYT member; (or was an active member of RYT during a fairly recent theatre season)
- Plan to pursue further education in the performing arts; and
- Exemplify the spirit of Rainbow Youth Theatre, Betty Dixon and Thelma Oliver.

How to Apply

Your submission should come in the form of a letter outlining the required criteria listed below, a photocopy of your most recent grades, and copies of any relevant reference letters that you may have.

The applicant must be a Grade 12 student enrolling in a post-secondary institution for further study in the performing arts.

The applicant must be enrolled in at least one Grade 12 level performing arts course (including drama, music, choir, band, etc.).

Academic Requirements

The applicant must meet university or college entrance requirements in academic subjects and obtain a minimum grade of "B" in his/her performing arts course(s).

The applicant must list the Rainbow Productions that they have participated in, either on stage or in a technical capacity.

Further Considerations

Please list community involvement in the Arts and volunteer work with other community agencies.

Please list details of any private training which you have taken.

2.35 ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH #17

AMOUNT: 1 X \$1,000 POPPY FUND

1 X \$1,000 MIKE HANDEL MEMORIAL

1 X \$750 BRANCH #17

The Royal Canadian Legions have extensive award programs for local students. Awards are awarded on the basis of personal and family financial need. The three awards are provided for graduates proceeding to a university or equivalent in British Columbia. Military affiliation is a consideration. All details required on the special application form should be included. Failure to complete the application in its entirety will result in the application NOT being considered. Applicants must attend the institution of their choice the following September. Students need only complete one application to be considered for all three bursaries.

Special application form is available in Student Services.

2.36 ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH #160 LADIES AUXILIARY

AMOUNT: \$1,000

The Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary is pleased to offer an award to a graduating student of Mark R. Isfeld Secondary. Applicants must attend a post-secondary institution of their choice in BC the following September and no later than January of the following year. Categories for the award are as follows:

- Post-secondary within BC
- Continuing (2nd, 3rd year)
- Trade School

Special application form is available in Student Services.

Fully completed application with all information completed, documents requested and attached, and signatures where required. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

2.37 SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 71 SCHOOL TRUSTEES

AMOUNT: \$1,000

The Trustees of School District No. 71 (Comox Valley) offer an award to a student from Mark R. Isfeld Secondary who is pursuing a full time program of studies at a post-secondary or skills training institution. Criteria will include academic standing, financial need and community involvement.

2.38 SID WILLIAMS THEATRE SOCIETY

A minimum award of \$500 per recipient will be given out each year - to be determined by the SWTS Bursary Committee.

APPLICANTS

- Applicants must submit a complete SWTS Bursary Application Form to the Sid Williams Theatre Bursary Committee (which may be forwarded via the applicant's school).
- Applicants must be a graduating student in the same year of: G.P. Vanier Secondary, Highland Secondary, Mark R. Isfeld Secondary, or North Island Distance Education.
- Applicants must be continuing their studies at a post-secondary institution in a field related to the performing arts or the entertainment industry (including film and video).
- Applicants may attach additional letters of reference as applicable.
- Applicants must have completed a minimum of 30 hours in the SWTS volunteer program (or be registered to do so before the end of June in the year of applying), and must attach a letter of reference from the SWTS staff (email is acceptable) in the area where time was volunteered (eg. SWTS Front of House Supervisor, SWTS Technical Director, SWTS Lounge Supervisor, SWTS Promotions Coordinator).

OR

- Applicants must be investing a minimum of 2 hours per week (minimum 60 hours per year) in formal training (i.e. class / tutor / instructor led) at a senior level in a performing art, such as band, voice, drama or dance; and must attach a letter of recommendation from their performing art teacher, choir director, band instructor, etc., and have performed in some capacity on the SWT stage (can include technical theatre activity).

SWTS Bursary Committee Criteria for Prioritizing Applicants:

- number of volunteer hours at the SWT completed (above the minimum)
- OR**
- number of hours invested in extracurricular training in performing arts (above the minimum)
- AND**
- letters of reference as per application criteria
 - additional references (educational, personal, professional)
 - GPA will be considered
 - demonstration of financial need (can use school forms)
 - preference will be given to applicants with a history of involvement in the Comox Valley performing arts community.

Special application form is available in Student Services.

2.39 SMART CHOICES – HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

AMOUNT: 2 X \$500

The Community Drug Strategy Committee, an initiative of the City of Courtenay, is offering two \$500 awards to use towards post-secondary education to two graduating students in the Comox Valley School District who have learned valuable lessons about dealing with the pressures of adolescence during their high school years. These lessons may have resulted from experiences dealing with drugs or alcohol, bullying, peer or family pressure or other challenges, leading to smart and healthy lifestyle choices.

Special application form is available in Student Services.

2.40 SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF COURTENAY

AMOUNT: 6 X \$500 (amongst graduating students of School District No. 71)

Soroptimist International of Courtenay is a professional and business women's service club which works through awareness, advocacy and action to improve the quality of life for women and girls, and to promote positive changes in society at local, national and international levels.

In selecting recipients for these awards, candidates must meet the following criteria:

- show evidence of need for financial assistance
- demonstrate a record of community service that is supported by letter of reference from the agencies listed
- have well-defined personal, educational and career goals
- produce authenticated school transcripts that verify an academic standing that allows entry into the chosen post-secondary program
- their responses to two questions about Soroptimist using the official website: www.soroptimist.org
- applicants must use Soroptimist International Courtenay application form that is available in the Student Services.

Submit your word-processed responses to the following two questions in well-crafted paragraphs of 100 – 150 words. Attach to your application.

You must go to www.soroptimist.org, and select *Who We Are*. Read about us.

Next, select *What We Do* and read about each of the programs of service.

1. Tell what Soroptimists do then tell which of the programs appealed most to you? Give reasons for your choice.
2. What do you think Soroptimist International of Courtenay should take on as a project to improve the lives of young women in our community?

Special application form is available in Student Services.

2.41 UNION BAY CREDIT UNION

AMOUNTS: 7 X \$750

Union Bay Credit Union may award seven awards in the amount of \$750 each, to a total of \$5,250 annually, to members pursuing further education. The applicant and/or parents/guardians, must be active members of Union Bay Credit Union for at least the previous six months. The successful applicants will be selected on a basis of involvement in their school and/or community, school achievement and financial need. Awards must be claimed within two years. Award monies will be directed to the post-secondary institutions upon verification of enrolment.

2.42 UNION OF NATIONAL DEFENCE EMPLOYEES LOCAL 1007

AMOUNT: \$500

Local 1007 Union of National Defense Employees offers a \$500 award to a graduating student from each of the secondary schools in the Comox Valley proceeding to any post-secondary training. The successful applicants must have at least a "C" average and demonstrate practical ability. Applicants must be related to a Union of National Defense Employees member presently working and must include the member's name and where they work.

2.43 UNITED STEELWORKERS, LOCAL 1-1937 MEMORIAL

(BOB FREER, ERNIE FREER, JACK MUMM, SYD THOMPSON, BILL WILSON)

AMOUNT: \$5,000 (divided into a minimum of 4 awards)

United Steelworker, Local 1-1937 has \$5,000 available for awards. Amounts to be determined by the Selection Committee. There will be a minimum of 4 awards available.

Eligibility requirements:

- a member in good standing, son, daughter, or legal dependent of a member in good standing or of a retired or deceased Member who were in good standing with United Steelworkers, Local 1-1937 or the legacy Local Unions
- currently graduating from a Secondary School
- must be planning to enroll in a public post-secondary institution as a fulltime student in September of the following school year
- Vocational or Academic Programs are acceptable at any recognized public institution (College, Polytech, Institute of Technology or University)
- a short essay (maximum 500 words) on the topic “The purpose of a Trade Union: Are today’s Unions fulfilling that purpose or have they lost sight of it?”
- transcript for Grades 11 & 12

Application forms available from the Local Union website www.usw1-1937.ca.

**2.44 UPPER ISLAND WOMEN OF NATIVE ANCESTRY
AMOUNT: \$250**

The Upper Island Women of Native Ancestry is pleased to offer a award to a deserving graduate of School District No. 71 who meets the following criteria:

- Consideration will be given to a member or family member of our organization.
- Must be off-reserve student of Native Ancestry.
- Award funds must stay in the province of British Columbia.
- Money must be used by December 31, 2017 and cannot be carried forward to the next year.

**2.45 VANCOUVER ISLAND HEALTH AUTHORITY (C.B. PARNHAM MEMORIAL
AMOUNT: \$250**

The Cumberland Health Centre offers a award to Comox Valley graduates. The recipient must continue on in a medical field of work.

**2.46 VICTORIA DIOCESAN CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE
(In Memory of Freda Smith)
AMOUNT: \$500**

This award is awarded annually to a Catholic student graduating from any Senior Secondary School (Public, Catholic, or Home-Schooled student) within the Catholic Diocese of Victoria. The applicant must be a child or grandchild of a member of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Victoria. The student must be planning on registering at a post-secondary institution and will be awarded based on financial need, academic performance, and community / church involvement.

Application form and criteria information is available in Student Services.