

# OTTER CO-OP MATURE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Otter Farm & Home Co-operative is offering two \$1000.00 open scholarships to a post-secondary or mature students who qualify based on the rules and regulations below.

## APPLICATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The applicant or applicant's immediate family member (parent, grandparent or legal guardian) must be an active member of Otter Co-op for a minimum of one year and must have had purchases during the previous year in excess of \$2000. The applicant must have at least one year beyond your Secondary School graduation, and must not have received an Otter Co-op scholarship in the past year.
2. Deadline for handing in scholarship applications is April 30<sup>th</sup>. The successful applicant will be notified in writing by May 15<sup>th</sup>.
3. There are no restrictions as to field of study or post-secondary institution attended.
4. The selection of the successful applicant is strictly at the discretion of the Otter Co-op officials sitting on the scholarship committee.
5. The scholarship is to be used within twelve months of being awarded, or deferred a maximum of one additional year. A recipient unable to use the scholarship in this length of time may ask to appear before the scholarship committee to present their case.
6. All scholarships must be used for the educational purposes stated or the money will be returned to the Otter Co-op Scholarship Fund.
7. The successful applicant will receive the scholarship funds on presentation of a letter of acceptance from the admissions office of the institution he or she will be attending.
8. No additional supporting documents other than the following will be accepted and reviewed by the committee:
  - The applicants school transcripts
  - Two community reference letters
  - One 200-300 word essay on "**What the Co-op means to me**"
9. The essay must be a minimum 200 and a maximum 300 words. Any words over 300 words will not be reviewed by the committee. The essay must be typed and in size 12 Times New Roman Font. Please include the word count on the bottom of your essay. Handwritten essay submissions will not be accepted.
10. **Please check you have the below list before submitting:**  
**1. School Transcripts 2. Two Community Reference Letters 3. 200-300 Word Essay on "What the Co-op Means to Me"**

**THE APPLICATION WILL BE SCORED BASED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:**

<b>CATEGORIES</b>	<b>POSSIBLE POINTS</b>
Quality of Essay	4
Otter Co-op Connection as demonstrated by the essay	6
School Grades as demonstrated by transcript (Calculated on an average: (A = 4, 86%+), (B = 3, 75% to 85%), (C = 2, 62% to 74%), (D = 1, 51% to 61%).)	4
Community and Volunteer Activities based on description and reference letters	4
Bonus Points (eg. Demonstration of need, extraordinary circumstances, inspiring community involvement, etc.)	5
<b>MAXIMUM TOTAL SCORE POSSIBLE</b>	<b>23</b>

<b>APPLICANT INFORMATION</b>					
Last Name					
First Name					
Street Address				Apt / Unit #	
City		Postal Code		Province	
Phone					
E-mail Address					
Membership Number I am using	#:				
Name on the Membership					
The Membership is (please check correct box)	My Own My Parents		My Grandparents My Guardians		

<b>PAST SECONDARY OR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION – HIGHEST LEVEL</b>	
Name of most recent secondary or post-secondary School	
City where school is located	
<p><b>Attach a copy of your most recent transcript marks. Depending on your level of education, attach either your transcripts from your secondary education (grade 10, 11 and 12) or from your post-secondary education if you have attended a post-secondary institution.</b></p>	

### **FUTURE POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION**

Name of Post-Secondary Institution you plan to attend	
Name of Faculty or Course	
Date you plan to enroll	
Educational Goal	

### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Please provide one example of community involvement (volunteering, church, sports, clubs, youth organizations, 4-H, etc.) Type a description of this activity below in 100 words or fewer. Please provide your word count.

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### **ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES**

If you have an additional hobby, activity, or involvement that you think is important, interesting or inspiring, please type a description of this activity below in 100 words or fewer. Please provide your word count.

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**I CERTIFY THAT MY ANSWERS ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.**

Signature		Date	
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