

KOKSILAH SCHOOL HISTORICAL SOCIETY – 5 x \$1,000

Koksilah School was built in 1911 and reconstructed by September 1914 after a fire destroyed the original structure in January of that same year. In 1986, former students held a reunion and later formed the Koksilah School Historical Society. Upon leasing the site from the school district, dedicated volunteers have managed the site and acquired several grants to restore and rebuild the interior and exterior of the building. In 1995 the school site opened as a museum and in 2000, it was granted formal heritage designation.

Eligibility:

- Open to a graduating student from School District No. 79 (Cowichan Valley) proceeding to an accredited post-secondary institution.

Selection Criteria:

- Awarded to a student who exhibits critical-thinking skills and a passion for continuous learning. Achieving the best grades is not a criterion as they do not always reflect an individual's ability to continue learning outside of school. One who completes assigned readings (and beyond), as well as the research, and asks insightful questions are characteristics that represent a desire to be inquisitive about the world around them.
- As part of your application, please provide an autobiographical essay and two letters of reference to demonstrate this.
- The bursary will be given directly to the student upon proof of enrolment at a recognized post-secondary institution. Tuition must be paid and the award will be issued as reimbursement.
- The award must be used within twenty-four months of the recipient being notified of the award.

Bursary Details:

- Applications will be submitted to schools using the regular application form. Applications will be forwarded to the Associate Secretary-Treasurer's office at the School Board Office. The applications will be reviewed by the Koksilah School Historical Society or designate who will determine the award recipient.
- The Koksilah School Historical Society may, in any year, withhold the awarding of the Bursary if, in their opinion, no worthy candidate has applied.