A. BRIAN SIMMONS SCHOLARSHIP
Application Requirements

A scholarship established in perpetuity by Mr Simmons' colleagues in recognition of his outstanding thirty-seven year commitment to the education of students in School District No 79 (Cowichan Valley).

This scholarship, created in 2002 on Mr Simmons' retirement, is supported by personal donations, investment income and fundraising activities undertaken by the scholarship trustees.

The scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating student in School District No 79 (Cowichan Valley) who has demonstrated outstanding citizenship, leadership, volunteerism and community building service and who intends to pursue further education at a Canadian university.

Eligibility
The applicant must:

- be a current, full-time student in attendance at, and a member of the graduation class of, a public secondary school in School District No 79 (Cowichan Valley)
- have attended the same school for the last three years of public school education, engaged in a challenging program of study and completed the provincial graduation requirements at that school
    - preference will be given to applicants who completed all of their education in the public schools of School District No 79 (Cowichan Valley)
- reside year round within the boundaries of School District No 79
- be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant

Conditions
The recipient must:

- be accepted into and register as a full-time student in a recognized, full first-year program of a degree granting, publicly funded, Canadian university in the year the award is made
- provide a certified copy of the recipient's full transcript of marks
- provide the scholarship trustees with a graduation photograph (grad photo)

Qualifications
The applicant must:

- have achieved a grade point average of at least 3.5 in each of the applicant's Grade 11 and 12 school years
- have acquired significant computer or information technology skills

During the applicant's Grade 12 year, the applicant must have:

- been elected to a leadership position in the Student Government or the Graduation Class Council or have been assigned a leadership position such as editor of the school newspaper or yearbook
- provided other regular, sustained service to the school or students of the school
- represented the school as a member of a senior athletic team or a participant at the senior level in an individual athletic activity, or demonstrated significant musical, performing art or visual art skill in a major performance setting or display
- provided regular "other regarding" volunteer service to a recognized agency or organization in the broader community
- maintained a part time job over a period of time with a professional or corporate employer

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Application

The applicant must:

- complete an A. Brian Simmons Scholarship Application Form
- complete an A. Brian Simmons Scholarship School Attendance Declaration Form, signed by a school counsellor or counsellor's secretary, indicating the years and schools attended
- provide a current, certified, full transcript of marks indicating; marks from the previous year of study, marks for courses completed to date in the present school year, and interim marks for courses in progress
- use a computer to provide a brief, laser printed letter indicating the applicant's future educational and occupational goals

The applicant must provide a letter of reference from:

- an officer of a community agency or organization, indicating the nature and extent of the volunteer service provided
- an employer, indicating the nature of the work, the length of employment, the hours of work and the level of commitment to the performance expectations of the employer

The applicant must provide an **original confidential letter in a sealed envelope** from:

- the school principal or vice-principal, indicating the administrator's level of support for the application

The Scholarship

A scholarship in the amount of $2000 will be paid to the recipient

- one half upon proof of paid registration for the first term at a public Canadian university
- one half upon proof of paid registration for the second term

Deferment

Requests for deferment must:

- be submitted in writing and include an acceptable explanation
- be for a period of one academic year
- be for a certified medical reason or to participate in a recognized student exchange program

Procedures

All applications, required letters and letters of reference should be addressed to the trustees of the scholarship and forwarded to the applicant's school, by the school's application deadline or the last school day of March, whichever comes first.

The required letters of reference may not be signed by a relative of the applicant.

All applications and requests for deferment will be reviewed by a committee of the scholarship trustees.

The scholarship trustees reserve the right to modify any of the qualification requirements within the original purpose of the scholarship.

The scholarship trustees are very interested in the accomplishments of recipients and, from time to time, will ask the recipient to provide an "up-date" to be printed in the scholarship newsletter.

Contact Person

Mr A. Brian Simmons 250 710 2991

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A. Brian Simmons Scholarship

Established in 2002 by Mr. Simmons' colleagues in recognition of his outstanding thirty-seven year commitment to the education of students in School District No. 79.

Application Form

Please type or print all information except signature.

ELIGIBILITY

Last Name _____ Other (in order) _____

Permanent Residence Address _____ City, Province _____ Postal Code _____

Mailing Address (if different from above) _____ City, Province _____ Postal Code _____

(250) _____ Home Telephone (250) _____ Cell Telephone E-Mail Address (if available) _____

Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____ (Year / Month / Day) Date of Graduation _____ / _____ (Month / Year)

School _____ Principal _____ (250) _____ Telephone

Check the box to the left to indicate that the following documents are attached to this application form.

- ☐ signed declaration form, specific to this scholarship, available from a school counselling office, indicating the years and schools attended
- ☐ photocopy of proof of Canadian citizenship or landed immigrant status

CONDITIONS

Preferred Canadian University _____ First Year Program _____ Entry Date (Year) _____

Check the box to the left to indicate that the following documents are attached to this application form.

- ☐ brief, typewritten, laser printed letter indicating your future educational and occupational goals

Career Goal _____

QUALIFICATIONS

Check the box to the left to indicate that the following documents are attached to this application form.

- ☐ current, certified, full transcript of marks indicating: marks from the previous year of study, marks for courses completed to date in the present school years, and interim marks for courses in progress

For details of the following, see a copy of your school's Scholarship & Bursary Manual.

Qualifying Leadership Activity _____ Position _____ Teacher or Sponsor _____

Qualifying Other Service Activity _____ Position _____ Teacher or Sponsor _____

Qualifying Athletic or Fine Art Activity _____ Position _____ Coach, Teacher or Sponsor _____

Qualifying "Other Regarding" Community Service Activity _____ Position _____ Agency or Organization Officer _____

Qualifying Part-Time Employment _____ Position _____ Employer _____

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- ☐ letter of reference from an officer of a community agency or organization, indicating the nature and extent of the volunteer service provided
- ☐ letter of reference from a representative of a professional or corporate employer, indicating the nature of the work, the length of employment, the hours of work and the level of commitment to the performance expectations of the employer
- ☐ confidential, sealed letter of reference from the school principal or vice principal, indicating the administrator's level of support for this application

ACCEPTANCE CONDITIONS

In signing this application you are indicating that you understand that if you are the recipient of this scholarship, in order to receive the scholarship, you must:

- be accepted into and register as a full-time student in a recognized, full first-year program of a degree granting, publicly funded, Canadian university in the year the award is made
- provide a certified copy of your provincial graduation certificate
- provide the scholarship trustees with a graduation photograph (grad photo)

And that the scholarship in the amount of $2000 will be paid to the recipient

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- one half upon proof of paid registration for the second term

And that the scholarship trustees reserve the right to modify any of the qualification requirements within the original purpose of the scholarship.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

TRUSTEE'S REVIEW

Applicants are asked not to make entries in this area.

School Attended

Grade 10 _____ Grade 11 _____ Grade 12 _____ G P A _____

Challenge of Graduation Program _____

Trustee Recommendation _____

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School Attendance Declaration Form

Student's Name: _____

School: _____

I certify that our records indicate that the above named student attended the school(s) indicated below:

School: _____ **School:** _____

From: _____ Year / Month / Day **From:** _____ Year / Month / Day

To: _____ Year / Month / Day **To:** _____ Year / Month / Day

Grade(s): _____ **Grade(s):** _____

School: _____ **School:** _____

From: _____ Year / Month / Day **From:** _____ Year / Month / Day

To: _____ Year / Month / Day **To:** _____ Year / Month / Day

Grade(s): _____ **Grade(s):** _____

_____ Student's Signature

_____ Counsellor's or Counsellor's Secretary's Name

School Stamp or Seal

_____ Counsellor's or Counsellor's Secretary's Signature