



**A.G.R.H.S. GUIDE TO SCHOLARSHIPS,
BURSARIES & LOANS
FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION**

2017

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INTRODUCTION

When seeking entrance to a vocational training centre, college or a university, one of your initial concerns will be financing such things as tuition, books, student fees, and residence expenses. Planning for the cost of post-secondary education is therefore extremely important.

For many of you, savings from summer and part-time jobs as well as contributions from parents will not provide enough money to cover expenses. Additional funding in the form of student loans, scholarships, and other awards must then be explored.

For information on the cost of post-secondary education, tips on how to apply for a student loan or any additional information, see Ms. Marie Thibault, Counsellor in Academic Training.

The Scholarship and Bursary Committee:

Ms. Guylaine Boucher

Ms. Stephanie Brown

Ms. Linda Gilbert

Mr. Robert Halsall

Ms. Marie Thibault

UNDERSTANDING TERMINOLOGY

Scholarship – is a monetary award given to a student primarily on the basis of academic standing. Leadership and citizenship are often considered.

Bursary – is a monetary award given to a student who has attained a certain level of achievement and is in need of financial assistance to continue his/her education.

Loan – is advanced on the understanding that the money will be repaid upon the completion of one's studies. The provincial government and some financial institutions offer student loan plans.

For all of the above, proof of acceptance by a post-secondary institution is required prior to awarding the funds.

**And the scholarship goes to...
those who apply, apply, apply**

OVERVIEW OF SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY FUNDS

FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY THE A.G.R.H.S. SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY COMMITTEE

Each year, funds solicited from local individuals, industries and organizations are pooled to become the Alexander Galt Regional High School (A.G.R.H.S.) Scholarship and Bursary Fund. This fund is further subsidized by donations from concerned individuals and groups, in memory of loved ones who have made outstanding contributions to student life, on or off campus. The money is then distributed proportionately to qualified applicants. The allocation is based generally upon factors such as scholastic merit, distance from home and need.

All undesignated funds come under the heading of the Alexander Galt Regional High School Scholarship and Bursary Fund and are available as scholarships and bursaries to a graduating Galt student continuing his/her education.

More information about these different awards is available on pages 6 and 7 of this guide. An application form can be found in Appendix 3. Once completed, this form must be forwarded to Ms. Marie Thibault, Counsellor in Academic Training.

FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY LOCAL DONOR GROUPS

There are several local scholarships and bursaries available by applying directly to the donor group. See page 8 for more information about these awards. Application forms and/or information can be obtained from Ms. Marie Thibault or the Student Services Office.

SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

As a graduating Galt student, other scholarships are also available to you, for which you do not need to apply. They are listed on Appendix 2 for two special reasons: first, to honour those for whom they have been dedicated; second, to encourage potential recipients in their quest toward higher educational goals. Candidates for these scholarships are nominated by their teachers and selected by special committees.

ADDITIONAL OUTSIDE SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE

Additional assistance is offered locally through private and public organizations, companies, and religious groups. Start your search for scholarships, and indeed all money for schooling, close to home. Many agencies sponsor scholarship and bursary awards, either through universities or through direct application. Cegeps and university calendars, newspaper ads, or company personnel department directives will provide helpful information on such assistance. Students whose parents work for large companies are advised to investigate the possibility of financial aid reserved for the children of employees. Social organizations such as the Rotary, Optimists or Royal Canadian Legion often provide assistance, particularly to children of members.

STEPS TO OBTAINING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Prepare ahead of time. Even if you are not going to cegep or vocational training next fall, start to look now, not to apply necessarily, but to see what is out there in the way of scholarships, grants and bursaries, as well as verify requirements and deadlines (some are as early as December).

Know your strengths and special abilities. The majority of scholarships are still based on grades, but some focus on other attributes. Sit down and make a list. Do you participate in any sporting events, extracurricular activities or school events? Do you volunteer in your community? Have you ever been in a play or on an exchange program, worked on a farm, etc? Anything that makes you different from other students applying for scholarships is important.

STEP 1 Start your search by reviewing the listing of scholarships and bursaries administered by the **A.G.R.H.S. Scholarship and Bursary Committee** in the following pages.

STEP 2 Carefully go through the listing of scholarships and bursaries administered by **Local Donor Organizations and Institutions**. Identify those that fit your profile, noting any special deadlines, admissibility criteria and application procedures (form or letter?). See Appendix 1, p. 11 for a list of the addresses for sending your application.

STEP 3 Schools, companies and charities offer scholarships. Check the organizations or institutions within and outside the Eastern Townships, including the school you are planning to attend. Most educational institutions have financial assistance programs for their students. Before you apply, make sure you meet all the requirements and check the deadline. Some are listed on page 10 but do not hesitate to ask your Counsellor in Academic Training for assistance.

STEP 4 Join the *Alexander Galt Scholarships* Facebook group to receive information and updates from the Galt Scholarship and Bursary Committee. Galt and local applications forms will be available to group members.

STEP 5 Register at yconic.com and quebecscholarships.ca. These Canadian database contains details about thousands of awards. By entering information about your experience, background and post-secondary plans, you will be able to receive a detailed list of awards for which you might be eligible along with details on how to apply for them.

STEP 6 Take advantage of the **Quebec Student Financial Aid Program** for loans and bursaries. It is intended for students who wish to pursue full-time studies but do not have the financial means to do so.
Apply on line at <http://www.afe.gouv.qc.ca/en/>

**REMEMBER, IF YOU DO NOT APPLY FOR ANYTHING,
YOU WILL NOT GET ANYTHING**

A.G.R.H.S. SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY FUND

Use the **A.G.R.H.S. Scholarship and Bursary Application Form** (Appendix 3, p.14). Extra copies are available at the Student Services Office, on the Galt website or join us on Facebook (Alexander Galt Scholarships). Return your completed application form to Ms. Marie Thibault. **Deadline: September 1.**

The A.G.R.H.S. Scholarship and Bursary Committee Bursaries – multiple bursaries awarded to graduating A.G.R.H.S. students continuing their education.

The A.G.R.H.S Student Council Bursaries – multiple bursaries available to graduating Galt students (members of the Student Council).

The Appalachian Teachers’ Association Scholarship – awarded to any graduating Galt student (preference given to students whose parents are teachers).

The Austin Women’s Institute Bursaries – awarded to graduating Galt students formerly of Princess Elizabeth Elementary School in Magog.

The Betty and Cecil Blenkhorn Memorial Scholarship – awarded to an individual who has been deeply involved in student activities and has helped make this school a better place to be.

The Eastern Townships Association of School Administrators Bursary – awarded to any graduating Galt student (preference given to students whose parents are administrators).

The Eastern Townships School Board Commissioner’s Bursaries – multiple bursaries awarded to graduating students who exhibit high academic achievement.

The Friendship Lodge #66 A.F. & A.M. Bursary – awarded to any graduating A.G.H.R.S. student who plans to pursue post-secondary education in an academic or technical field (preference given to students with financial needs).

The Harry Brown Bursary honors Mr. Brown, a former guidance counsellor at A.G.R.H.S., for his dedication and philanthropy during his many years as Chairman of the Scholarship and Bursary Committee. It is awarded to a graduating student who made a significant contribution to school life at A.G.R.H.S. and to his/her community.

The Lampe Foundation Leadership Award – awarded to a student who demonstrates leadership in and outside the school. The student must also have demonstrated high motivation and academic achievement.

The Nicole Grégoire Scholarship – awarded to a graduating A.G.R.H.S student formerly of North Hatley Elementary School pursuing higher education whether in college, university or vocational education.

The Sherbrooke Snow Shoe Club Inc. – two bursaries awarded to deserving graduating Galt students: one for a student continuing at the college level and one for a student continuing at the vocational level (college career program included).

The Lloyd Perkins Memorial Scholarships – awarded to a graduating student pursuing higher education in Pure & Applied Science. Priority will be given to students intending to pursue a career in physics.

The Clinton Munkittrick Memorial Scholarship – awarded to the most enthusiastic graduating hockey player who is pursuing higher education.

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

Application forms available at Student Services or Ms. Thibault's office. Once completed, they must be sent directly to the Local Donor Organizations.

The Compton County Women's Institute Bursaries – awards four bursaries, worth \$200 each, to students who are furthering their education. Must be resident of Compton County.

The QPAT Founders Memorial Scholarship – awarded to the son, daughter, granddaughter, nephew or niece of a member in good standing of the Quebec Provincial Association of Teachers (QPAT).

The Frances Taylor Memorial Bursary (the Quebec Women's Institute) – awarded to students graduating from high school in the province of Quebec who are entering cegep, college or university and are in financial need.

The Sherbrooke Elementary School Student Aid Fund – awarded to graduating Galt students who completed their elementary school education at Sherbrooke Elementary School.

The Unity Lodge #8 Independent Order of Odd Fellows Bursary – awarded to a graduating Galt student continuing his/her education.

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

For the following scholarships and bursaries, you must:

- a) **Write a letter of application indicating your career goals and a description of your activities and community involvement**
- b) **Send a copy of your report card and statement of marks**
- c) **Obtain a letter of recommendation from a teacher and/or a member of your community**

Once completed, the documents must be sent to the Local Donor Organization. See the list of Useful addresses & Phone Numbers (Appendix 1).

Ladies Auxiliary ANAF Unit #318 Bursaries – awarded to a Galt graduate who has completed Grade 6 at Lennoxville Elementary School or Saint-Antoine and been accepted into a post-secondary school program of studies.

The Emily Smerdon Memorial Scholarship – awarded by the Ladies Auxiliary of the ANAF Unit #318 to a student associated with a youth organization and who plans to study with young people.

Ayer's Cliff Women's Institute:

- **The Louise Robinson Scholarship** – awarded to a graduating Galt student who completed his/her elementary school studies at Ayer's Cliff Elementary School.

The Stanstead County Women's Institute Scholarships:

- **The Estella Holmes Scholarship** – awarded to a graduating student from the Stanstead County who is continuing his or her education beyond high school.
- **The Maud Kezar Scholarship** – awarded to a graduating student who will be pursuing studies in a household science program (including food sciences and dietetics).
- **The Dr. C. L. Brown Memorial Scholarship** – awarded to any graduating student (French or English) from the Stanstead County who will be pursuing higher education in a health science profession (physician, nurse, veterinarian, etc.)

The Rotary Club of the Boundary Vocational Scholarship – awarded to a graduating student who will be pursuing a vocational or technical program in a vocational training centre or a cegep.

Haut-St-François Scholarships – awarded to **all** graduating students who live in the Haut-St-François. Graduating students must bring their final statement of marks (Ministry of Education) and Galt report card showing that they have obtained their Secondary School Diploma to their municipality (town hall).

The Lampe Foundation CFUW Sherbrooke & District – a non-profit organization dedicated to providing educational support for students from the Eastern Townships pursuing a health care or social service program in all academic levels. Apply now by visiting their websites: www.lampefoundation.org

The Warren Grapes Foundation - The Fund provides bursaries to support individuals pursuing secondary and post-secondary studies in recognized agriculture or silviculture programs. For more information, (450) 679-0540 extension 8536, or by e-mail: qfa@upa.qc.ca

The McGill Retention Bursary Program – for students pursuing full-time studies in the area of health and social services. Contact: ml@townshippers.org

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE

The organizations and groups below have, in the past, regularly provided information on available assistance. Many will be advertised in the AGRHS Student Bulletin during the year. Further information is available through the Career Resource Centre or online.

- ☰ **AbbVie Scholarship Program – for students with Crohn’s or Ulcerative Colitis**
(www.ibdscholarship.ca)
- ☰ **Allouettes' Bursary Program**
- ☰ **Apprenticeship Grants (for Red Seal Trades)**
- ☰ **Association of Universities & Colleges of Canada – Canada Scholarships in Technology**
- ☰ **Burger King Scholars**
- ☰ **CN - Canadian National Scholarships for Women**
- ☰ **C.A.P. - CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF PRINCIPALS – Student Leadership Award**
- ☰ **CANADA TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS for Outstanding Community Leadership**
- ☰ **Canadian Hospitality Association – Food Service & Accommodation Scholarships**
- ☰ **Garfield Weston Merit Scholarship for Colleges**
- ☰ **Horatio Alger Association of Canada**
- ☰ **House of Commons Page Program**
- ☰ **Lampe Foundation CFUW (lampefoundation.org)**
- ☰ **PAPT Founders Memorial Scholarships**
- ☰ **<http://www.quebecscholarships.ca/>**
- ☰ **Royal Bank Financial Lifeskills Scholarships**
- ☰ **Scotiabank Student Loans**
- ☰ **TD Scholarships for Community Leadership**
- ☰ **Terry Fox Humanitarian Award Program**
- ☰ **Top 20 under 20**
- ☰ **Toyota Earth Day Scholarship Program**
- ☰ **United Church of Canada Bursaries**
- ☰ **United World Colleges**
- ☰ **Walmart Canada Community Foundation**
- ☰ **Wendy’s Classic Achiever Scholarship Awards**

APPENDIX 1

USEFUL ADDRESSES, PHONE NUMBERS AND INFORMATION DEADLINE

<p>Québec Student Financial Assistance Program Service de l'accueil et des renseignements Aide financière aux études 1035, rue de la Chevrotière Quebec, QC G1R 5A5</p> <p>Apply online at: http://www.afe.gouv.qc.ca/en/</p>	<p>AGRHS Scholarship & Bursary Committee Att: Marie Thibault 1700 College Street P.O. Box 5002 Sherbrooke, QC J1M 1Z9</p> <p>Deadline: September 1st Application & information available at the Student Services Office</p>
<p>Frances Taylor Memorial Bursary Quebec Women's Institutes Judy Page Jones, QWI President 170 West Brome Rd West Brome (Québec) J0E 2P0</p> <p>judyqwi@gmail.com</p> <p>Deadline: September 1st Application & information available at the Student Services Office</p>	<p>Apprenticeship Grants Government of Canada Able to provide proof that you have successfully completed 1st or 2nd year of the program</p> <p>Apply online: www.servicecanada.gc.ca/apprenticeship</p>
<p>Army, Navy & Air Force Bursary Ms. Doreen Morissette 110 Oxford Crescent, #203 Sherbrooke, Qc J1M 2G2</p> <p>Deadline: June 1st Write a letter</p>	<p>Ayer's Cliff Women's Institute Mrs. Debbie Smith 19 Pine Street Stanstead, QC J0B 3E5 (819)704-0809</p> <p>Deadline: September 1st Write a letter</p>
<p>The Lampe Foundation Visit their website. Several scholarships for students pursuing a career in health and social services.</p> <p>http://lampefoundation.org/</p>	<p>Compton County Women's Institute Bursaries Mrs. Robert Fitzsimmons 42 John Wilson Sherbrooke, QC J1M 1N1</p> <p>Deadline: August 20th Application & information available at the Student Services Office</p>
<p>Unity Lodge No. 8 Independent Order of Odd Fellows Bursaries Unity Lodge No. 8 – IOOF Secretary P.O. Box 35003 147 Queen Street Sherbrooke, QC J1M 1J7</p> <p>Deadline: September 1st Application & information available at the Student Services Office</p>	<p>Rotary Club of the Boundary The President The Rotary Club of the Boundary 7 Stewart St. Stanstead, Qc J0B 3E5</p> <p>Deadline: June 1st Write a letter</p>

<p>QPAT Founders Memorial Scholarship Finance & Budget Committee PAPT 17035 Blvd. Brunswick Kirkland, QC H9H 5G6 (514) 694-9777</p> <p>Deadline: June 18th Application & information available with your union delegate</p>	<p>Sherbrooke Elementary School Awards Sherbrooke Elementary School Bursary Committee ATT: The Principal Sherbrooke Elementary School 242 Ontario Street Sherbrooke, QC J1J 3R1 (819) 562-3515</p> <p>Deadline: August 31st Application & information available at the Student Services Office</p>
<p>Stanstead County Women’s Institute Scholarships Mrs. Debbie Smith 19 Pine Street Stanstead, Qc J0B 3E5 (819)704-0809</p> <p>Deadline: September 1st Write a letter</p>	<p>The warren Grapes Foundation All applications must be submitted electronically to qfa@upa.qc.ca in English. The deadline date is October 14, 2017 For more information, please contact: (450) 679-0540 extension 8536, or by e-mail: qfa@upa.qc.ca</p> <p>http://www.quebecfarmers.org/warren-grapes-foundation-en/description-en/</p>
<p>McGill Retention & Bursaries Contact Ms. Michelle Lepitre at ml@townshippers.org or call (819) 566-2182</p> <p>deadline: May 12, 2017</p>	

Check the deadlines before sending your documents!

APPENDIX 2

SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES & AWARDS

Do not apply for these special funds! Candidates are nominated by their teachers and selected by special committees.

The Bishop's University Scholarship is awarded to a graduating student, with the highest academic achievement in Level V, that has been accepted into a post-secondary program of studies.

The Champlain Regional College, Lennoxville Campus Scholarship is available to a graduating student, entering Champlain College in the fall, who has excelled overall academically (average of over 80%) and obtained the highest combined mark in the subjects of English and French.

The Horizons Scholarship for Achievement Based Upon Determination is awarded to a candidate whose academic achievement is the result of extra effort and determination above that required by regular classroom assignments and instruction. The recipient is selected by the teachers involved, on the basis of an intense desire to overcome obstacles, and a marked improvement in academic achievement. The recipient must have been accepted into a post-secondary school program of studies.

The ETSB Complementary Service Award given annually to a graduate who has shown perseverance in overcoming one or more significant obstacles.

Life is Precious Scholarship given annually in memory of Chrissy Guillette to a student who accessed PASS/Hub/Triage at some point while at Galt, and who has through determination and perseverance completed his/her program of choice.

The McGill University's Science and Social Science Awards recognizes 2 graduating students who show exceptional promise in science and mathematics or in Social Sciences. This \$500 tuition credit, redeemable upon registration at McGill in any undergraduate program, is presented at our annual graduation ceremony.

The Ralph Steinman Memorial Award given annually to a graduate with the greatest potential to benefit humanity. Dr. Ralph Steinman graduated from Sherbrooke High School in 1959. In 2011, he was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for his discovery of dendritic cells (DCs) and their role in immunity.

APPENDIX 3

AGRHS SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY APPLICATION FORM

HOW TO APPLY

- Step 1** Consult the **Guide to Scholarships and Bursary**. Please note that certain Local Donor Organizations included in this guide have their own forms (available at Student Services and online). These forms must be returned to the address indicated on the form and not to AGRHS Scholarship & Bursary Committee.
- Step 2** Complete the application form carefully. Answer all questions.
- Step 3** Select 5 awards from the AGRHS Scholarship and Bursary Fund.
- Step 4** Enclose a copy of the following academic records:
- Level 5 report
 - Provincial (Ministry of Education) Statement of Marks.
- Step 5** Enclose a copy of your letter of acceptance.
- Step 6** Return your application to:

AGHRS Scholarship & Bursary Committee
Ms. Marie Thibault
1700 College
P.O. Box 5002
Sherbrooke (Qc) J1M 1Z9

Application deadline: September 1, 2017

2017 AGRHS SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY APPLICATION FORM

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME	
ADDRESS (HOME)		ADDRESS (WHILE AT SCHOOL)	
POSTAL CODE		POSTAL CODE	
Home phone # _____ Cell# _____		Email address:	
LIVING WITH	MOTHER _____	FATHER _____	BOTH _____
Mother's name:		Did she attend AGRHS? yes no	
Mother's occupation:			
Father's name:		Did he attend AGRHS? yes no	
Father's occupation:			
Guardian's name:			
List your elementary school(s) & years attended:			
List the names and ages of your brothers & sisters & the schools they are attending:			
Record of marks at AGRHS: (Year end average on school report)			
LEVEL 4 _____ LEVEL 5 _____			
Average of all subjects on your final Ministry of Education Statement of Marks: Include a copy with your application. _____			

AGRHS & COMMUNITY EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

FEEL FREE TO USE YOUR OWN FORMAT TO DESCRIBE YOUR EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.

ACTIVITIES	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 5	LEVEL 6
STUDENT GVT						
Student council exec.						
Student council rep.						
Homeroom rep.						
Other						
SCHOOL CLUBS						
School yearbook						
Prom Committee						
Student Radio						
Music (band)						
Drama (play)						
Representing school (conference, UN, etc)						
Book Club						
Other (please list)						
ATHLETICS (put "S" for school sports, "T" for community sports, "A" for assistant captain, captain and "CC" for co-captain)						
OTHER ACTIVITIES						
NOTES						

Which college, university or institution will you be attending:

(Include a copy of your letter of acceptance)

Describe the course of studies you plan to follow, the number of years involved for completion as well as why you have chosen this program:

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES OF THE INITIAL YEAR OF YOUR COURSE OF STUDY:

Application fees	
Registration fees	
Tuition fees	
Books, equip., supplies, etc	
Accommodation	
Groceries/food plan	
Transportation	
Clothing	
Other	
TOTAL	

HOW DO YOU PLAN TO FINANCE YOUR ANTICIPATED EXPENSES?

Summer job earnings	
Provincial loan & bursary	
Personal savings	
Parental support	
Awards	
Scholarships	
Other	
TOTAL	

<p>Briefly describe your reasons (academic, financial, other) for applying & why you think you should be considered for an award:</p>	
<p>List the names, occupations and phone numbers of two individuals (other than a relative) who know you well that we could contact, should we so choose, for a character reference:</p>	
<p>Please review the eligibility criteria for each award you are applying for (you may check five (5)) :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> A.G.R.H.S. Scholarship & Bursary Awards <input type="checkbox"/> A.G.R.H.S. Student Council Bursaries <input type="checkbox"/> Appalachian Teachers Association Scholarship <input type="checkbox"/> Austin Women's Institute Memorial Bursaries <input type="checkbox"/> Betty & Cecil Blenkhorn Memorial Scholarship <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Townships Association of School Administrators <input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Townships School Board Commissioner's Bursaries <input type="checkbox"/> Harry Brown Bursary <input type="checkbox"/> Friendship Lodge #66 A.F. & A.M. Bursary <input type="checkbox"/> The Lampe Foundation Leadership Award <input type="checkbox"/> The Lloyd Perkins Memorial Scholarship <input type="checkbox"/> Lennoxville Women's Institute Bursary <input type="checkbox"/> Nicole Grégoire Scholarship <input type="checkbox"/> Sherbrooke Snow Shoe Club Inc. Bursaries <input type="checkbox"/> The Clinton Munkittrick Memorial Scholarship 	
<p>DATE:</p>	<p>SIGNATURE:</p>

RETURN APPLICATION TO: **AGRHS SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY COMMITTEE**
Att: Marie Thibault
1700 College
PO BOX 5002
Sherbrooke (Quebec) J1M 1Z9