

FRASER VALLEY HIGHLAND DANCING ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



PURPOSE: The FVHDA Scholarship was formed for the purpose of awarding an academic scholarship to highland dancers who have devoted years of their lives in the pursuit of Highland Dancing.

The FVHDA Scholarship will provide financial assistance to dancers who have met the eligibility requirements. These dancers must demonstrate a high level of participation and interest in the art of Highland Dancing.

ELIGIBILITY: This scholarship will be open to current registered dancers in good standing who are high school graduates preparing to enroll in their first year of academic studies beyond high school. Dancers need to have danced with the FVHDA at our closed competitions for the last three consecutive years. Exceptions will only be made for dancers who have recently moved to the area and joined the FVHDA, providing they were registered with their previous local association.

FINANCIAL: Each scholarship will be either \$250.00 or \$500.00. The number of scholarships and the total amount of scholarships offered annually will vary depending on the number of qualified applicants, and the net proceeds from fundraising efforts during the dance season. Funds will be paid directly to the recipients for the purpose of further education.

CRITERIA for applicants: Applicants must complete and submit an application form to the FVHDA Executive postmarked by April 15 of the current year. The following information must accompany the application:

1. Two letters of recommendation
 - one from the dance teacher
 - one school teacher or personal reference letter (not from a member of the immediate family)
2. Copies of the high school transcripts
3. Information regarding extra-curricular activities and volunteer service hours
4. Copies of certification for the most recent level of dance exams completed. BC Secondary Schools offer external course credit for Highland Dancing.
 - UHL11 – Highland Dancing 11
 - UHL12 – Highland Dancing 12These external course credits are awarded based on both theory and practical exams with the SDTA, BATD, or UKA that the dancer has completed.
5. Written paper – Choice of 3 topics for an essay (maximum 500 words)

Deadline:

- All application materials must be postmarked on or before April 15th of the current year for the fall semester.
- Applicants will be notified by June 15th.
- Email enrollment fees receipt by Sept. 18th to: sheilabowling500@gmail.com
- Funds will be disbursed in the fall upon receipt of proof of registration at a post-secondary institution.

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Personal Information:

Name: _____ Social Insurance #: _____

Home Address: _____

City, Province, Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Scotdance Registration #: _____

Teacher's SDTA, BATD, UKA #: _____

Education Information:

Date of Graduation: _____

School Counselor: _____ Phone: _____

High School Name : _____

Address: _____

Proposed Post Secondary School : _____

Proposed Area of Study: _____

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Supporting Information:

Awards/Honors:

Interests/ Extra Curricular Activities:

Volunteer Service Hours:

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Essay:

On a separate piece of paper, write a brief (maximum of 500 words) essay choosing one of the following topics.

1. What avenues have been opened to you as a result of your highland dancing?
2. How has highland dance positively impacted your life? Explain.
3. What are your goals in pursuing post-secondary and your proposed program of study?

Signature and Date: _____

As part of your application process, you must also submit:

- High School transcripts and
- Two recommendation letters: one from a dance teacher, one from a school teacher or personal reference letter (not from the immediate family)
- Volunteer hour summary
- Dance exam certificates

Send completed materials to:

Sheila Bowling
Box 1147
FORT LANGLEY, BC
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