

Newmarket High School Graduation Awards 2024

CFUW Charitable Trust Annual

Awards:

Secondary School Awards

The Charitable Trust of the Canadian Federation of University Women of Aurora/Newmarket awards four female graduating students of the following schools in the northern part of the York Region District Board (Aurora HS, Dr GW Williams SS, King City SS, Dr John M Denison SS, Huron Heights SS, Sir William Mulock SS, Newmarket High School, Keswick HS, Sutton DHS, Stouffville DSS).

To be eligible, the female applicants must:

- be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada
- be a graduating student who has been accepted by a post-secondary institution (university, college, or apprenticeship program)
- benefit from financial support to continue their education
- have overcome challenges to graduate from high school
- have demonstrated a positive attitude and work ethic
- be involved in school and/or community activities
- be receiving no more than one other school or community award

Note: Students taking a gap year after graduation are not eligible to apply for these awards.

Application Process:

1. **A 500-word essay** that includes paragraphs that outline:

- challenges you have overcome
- your positive attitude/work ethic
- your contributions to your school and/or community
- how this award will assist you with your post-secondary education

Format your essay with a header that includes:

- your full name
- secondary school name
- personal email address (not your school email address as we need to be in contact with you after you graduate)

2. A copy of your **post-secondary acceptance**.

NOTE - If you have not received your acceptance by **APRIL 22**, please attach a document that includes:

- names and postal addresses of the post-secondary institutions to which you have applied

- name of the program and length (i.e. Life Sciences - four-year program, Journalism - two-year program) to which you have applied
- expected dates of acceptance

Selection Process:

Applications for the CFUW Aurora/Newmarket Secondary School Award will be collected by the Guidance Department of the eligible schools.

Based on the applications received, the following review process will be used:

- **School Level** - If a school has more than one applicant, these applications will be reviewed by staff to select ONE application to forward to the CFUW Charitable Trust Awards Committee.
- **CFUW Aurora/Newmarket Charitable Trust** – Students will be selected by the Awards Committee from the applications submitted from the schools to receive the Secondary School Award.

My CFUW Award Checklist - to strengthen my application

1. In my essay, I have written a paragraph for each of the following:
 - Challenges I have overcome
 - My positive attitude and work ethic
 - My contributions to my school and community
 - How this award will assist me with my post-secondary education
2. I have included a header in my essay including the following information:
 - My full name
 - My secondary school's name
 - My phone or cell number
 - My personal email address (**NOT** my school email address)
3. I have included the following document:
 - A copy of my **post-secondary acceptance**
 - 3a. If I have not received an acceptance by April 22nd, I have attached a document that includes:
 - The names and postal addresses of the post-secondary institutions to which I have applied
 - The name of the program and length (i.e. Life Sciences - 4 year program, Journalism - 2 year program) to which I have applied
 - The expected dates of acceptance
4. I have
 - Asked a teacher, guidance counsellor, or an adult to proofread my essay and provide feedback
 - Submitted my essay and documents to the guidance department by **April 22, 2024**
5. I
 - Am a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada
 - Will be receiving no more than one other school or community award
 - Will not be taking a gap year after graduation

Applications are to be emailed to Guidance (kim.calleja@yrdsb.ca or karen.pressley@yrdsb.ca) by 9:00 a.m. on Monday, April 22nd, 2024.