

# **SDSS**

# **Scholarship Workshop**

October 1, 2020



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"The Scholarship Report" e-Newsletter

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SDSS Scholarship Workshop Presentation

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Loran Scholars - Sponsored Application

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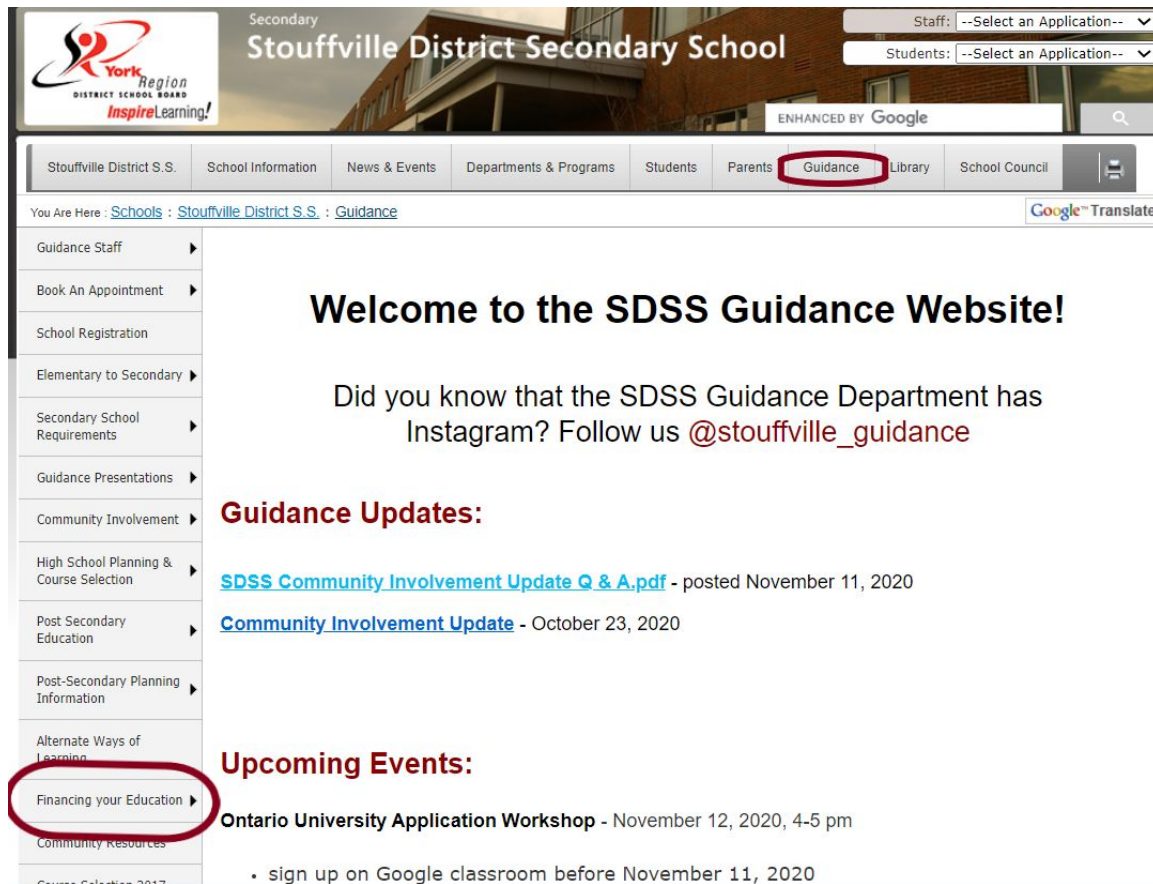


Western University National Scholarship

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# Where Parents can find Information



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## Welcome to the SDSS Guidance Website!

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### Guidance Updates:

[SDSS Community Involvement Update Q & A.pdf](#) - posted November 11, 2020  
[Community Involvement Update](#) - October 23, 2020

### Upcoming Events:

**Ontario University Application Workshop** - November 12, 2020, 4-5 pm

- sign up on Google classroom before November 11, 2020



# Scholarships vs. Bursaries

- Scholarships – based on merit (criteria varies)
- Bursaries – based on financial need



# Types of Scholarships

1. Offered by **Post Secondary Institutions.**
  - **Entrance Scholarships** – marks based; often no application required; offered at time of offer of admission
  - **Faculty & Presidential Scholarships** – application required; specific criteria indicated
  - **In-course Scholarships** – found through the student services department of the post-secondary institution; apply late August into the fall
  
2. Offered by **Outside Groups** interested in donating money to students.
  - granted by **corporations, community groups, and foundations**
  - check with your own & your parents' employers, unions, banks, investment companies, insurance companies, **anywhere that sends you or your parents addressed mail.**



# How to Prepare Yourself for a Scholarship

Earning a scholarship is a process that can start as early as **grade nine**. A typical winner of most scholarships has consistently demonstrated, **over an extended period of time**, that they are involved in a number of activities that illustrate they are well-rounded individuals. Students with the highest marks **do not** automatically win scholarships. Many of the groups awarding scholarships are looking for good overall citizens. The general criteria are:

- Academic Achievement (75% and above)
- Community Involvement (beyond the 40 hours needed to graduate from high school)
- Extra Curricular Participation (athletics, councils, clubs, teams)



# How to Prepare Yourself for a Scholarship

The following chart lists some examples of activities that are considered.

<b>Academic Achievement</b>	<b>Community Involvement</b>	<b>Extra Curricular Participation</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Honour Roll</li><li>• Subject Awards</li><li>• Music Competitions</li><li>• Art Shows</li><li>• Math Contests</li><li>• Co-op</li><li>• Science Olympics</li><li>• Exchanges</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volunteer Work</li><li>• Food Drives</li><li>• Charity Work</li><li>• Tutoring</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student Council</li><li>• Grade / Class Rep</li><li>• School Clubs</li><li>• Yearbook</li><li>• Athletic Teams</li><li>• Music Bands</li><li>• Plays / Musicals</li></ul>





# Initiative and Positive Leadership

Individual students who look to creatively promote an initiative will get support from teachers, student council and school administrators. The only limitation is your imagination.

**Great leaders don't wait  
for opportunities. They  
create possibilities where  
they don't even exist.**



# Letters of Recommendation/Reference

- During your high school career you will meet, and work with, at least 30 different teachers.
- These teachers may also be your activity leaders and coaches.
- Attempt to stay on good terms with at least 2 to 3 adults who you work with.
- Many scholarships **require letters of recommendation.** These contacts will serve you well.



# School Nominated Scholarships

- These scholarships call upon the Stouffville District Secondary School Scholarship Committee to submit one or more candidates for consideration.
- The fact that the school has nominated an individual is not a guarantee that the student selected will receive that scholarship.
- The nominated student must still go through a selection process in competition with all other school nominated candidates.
- Scholarship information and timelines can be found [here](#)



# Getting Prepared - Start NOW !!

Have you:

- updated your resume?
- made contact with potential references?
- asked your employer if they offer scholarships?
- checked the **SDSS Guidance Google Classroom**?
- are you following @stouffville\_guidance on instagram?
- checked the guidance scholarship bulletin board
- asked your parents/guardians to look into scholarships & bursaries through their contacts



# Scholarship Advice

- Although scholarship criteria can vary, a general statement of advice still applies.
- Should you be interested in applying for scholarships, it is rare that only academic achievement is sufficient.
- Successful candidates are those who are able to demonstrate extra-curricular involvement either within the school or within the community.
- Such involvement should span a considerable period of time, not just the last year or two.
- In addition to this, leadership experience is strongly recommended, as scholarship committees view this as an asset, and in some cases, as a requirement.



# Questions?

- Ask away!
- Make an appointment with your guidance counsellor through Teach Assist

