



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDE



Public High School Students that are eligible Volunteer Cowichan members are now able to earn Post-Secondary School scholarship credit by completing volunteer hours.



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Registered Volunteer Cowichan member
- Grade 10–12 Student at a BC Public High School
- Demonstrated financial need
- Plan to attend a post–secondary institution in BC
- Minimum of 25 hours logged by graduation
- Log at least 5 hours every 3 months

HOW IT WORKS

- Apply to Altruition as early as **July 1st** of the year you enter **Grade 10** at a BC Public High School and get approved onto the Volunteer Cowichan team;
- Log your hours within 7 days of completing a volunteering activity for our staff to confirm;
- Receive a **grant credit of \$20 per volunteer hour** completed;
- Volunteer up to a maximum of 150 hours (\$3000) per year to **receive up to \$9000** from Grades 10–12;
- Scholarships are eligible to be applied towards tuition fees with **eligible BC post–secondary schools**;
- Scholarships must be **used within two years after graduation.**

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

1

Eligibility:

Grade 10–12 Student at a BC Public High School.

2

Become a Volunteer Cowichan Member:
Submit a youth volunteer application.

3

Reference Letter:

Submit a one page letter demonstrating your financial need with respect to post-secondary tuition affordability, co-signed by a Volunteer Cowichan Representative or by your High School Guidance Counsellor.

4

Educational Verification:

Submit a photo or scan of your most recent transcript or report card issued by your school board.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How does it work?

After your Altruition application is accepted, you may join available Volunteer Organizations. Once you have been approved for membership by a Volunteer Organization, you may undertake volunteer activity, and log hours volunteered, which will be submitted to the Volunteer Organization for review. Upon approval, those hours will be translated into scholarship credit at a rate of \$20 per hour.

When am I eligible to start participating?

The school year is considered from July 1st – June 30th. Start logging hours on July 1st if you're entering grade 10 in September or, if you're in grade 12, you can log until June 30th.

How do I receive the scholarship?

After June 30th of your graduating year and assuming you have accumulated at least 25 approved volunteer hours, you may submit documentation to Altruition to activate disbursement of scholarship funding, which will be undertaken between Altruition and the post-secondary school to which you have been accepted.

ELIGIBLE POST-SECONDARY SCHOOLS

- **British Columbia Institute of Technology**
- **Camosun College**
- **Capilano University**
- **Coast Mountain College**
- **College of New Caledonia**
- **College of the Rockies**
- **Douglas College**
- **Emily Carr University of Art and Design**
- **Justice Institute of British Columbia**
- **Kwantlen Polytechnic University**
- **Langara College**
- **Nicola Valley Institute of Technology**
- **North Island College**
- **Northern Lights College**
- **Okanagan College**
- **Royal Roads University**
- **Selkirk College**
- **Simon Fraser University**
- **Thompson Rivers University**
- **University of British Columbia**
- **University of Northern British Columbia**
- **University of the Fraser Valley**
- **University of Victoria**
- **Vancouver Community College**
- **Vancouver Island University**

MORE INFORMATION

Contact the Youth 20/20 Can Cowichan representative at Volunteer Cowichan to find out more information about the program and how to participate:

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Learn more about Altruition :

altruition.org/

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