# PATHWAY TO SUCCESS AWARDS

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School District #40-1 award up to \$3,000.00 each\* School District #41-2 awards up to \$3,000.00 each\* School District #43-3 awards up to \$3,000.00 each\*

\*Based on the number of grade 12 students enrolled in the secondary school system 2011-2012.

# SELECTION COMMITTEE CRITERIA GUIDELINES

- The School District selection committee will select the BCIT Pathway to Success Award Recipient(s).
- Selected students must meet or exceed the program's entrance requirements. BCIT entrance requirements are program specific. For further information visit bcit.ca.
- Students must have applied to a full time first year technology, technical studies, or trade program (excluding Apprentice) and have a BCIT student number before being considered for an award.
- The School Districts will keep all original award selection documents and send a photocopy of their selected recipients BCIT Pathway to Success Award application.
- The award offer is subject to the student receiving full acceptance into a full-time BCIT program. Should the student(s) not gain full acceptance or not register for a full time program, the award will automatically be withdrawn.

Application deadline for students: April 1, 2020

#### AWARD-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Selection is based on demonstrated leadership skills and/or additional responsibilities. Examples are:

- Leadership training/courses
- Volunteer and/or community service
- Work experience
- Captain/president of sports team or group
- Involvement in extracurricular activities
- Plays a major role in supporting their family, financially or otherwise
- Letter of recommendation from school district

#### PERSONAL STATEMENT (STUDENT)

Applicants write a personal statement (Form B). See application for further information.

## LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION (SCHOOL DISTRICT)

The School District writes a letter of recommendation (Form D) explaining why this student has been selected by the high school district as an award recipient.

## AWARDS DISBURSEMENT

The value of the award will be applied to the recipient's tuition as follows:

- Two equal installments over two consecutive study terms.
- First installment will be disbursed as a voucher for term one. Award recipients will receive the voucher by mail. Recipients will submit the voucher when paying for their tuition fees. Students are responsible for paying the difference between their voucher and their full tuition fees by the tuition payment deadline (60 days prior to the start of their program). Award is inclusive of all tuition and fees. Award cannot be applied towards books and supplies.
- Second installment will be applied directly to student's account in term two before the tuition fee payment deadline. Students are responsible for paying the difference between award and their full tuition fees by the tuition payment deadline.

To maintain eligibility for the BCIT Pathway to Success Award, the student must meet the following conditions:

- Remain enrolled in at least a 60% course load throughout the first year of the program.
- Successfully complete the first term of studies in order to receive the second disbursement, if any, in term 2.
- Awards must be utilized over two consecutive study terms and cannot be deferred.
- Commence BCIT full-time studies before March 31, 2021.

BCIT's Student Financial Aid and Awards will send letters to recipients with award information, including the final amount of the award, the disbursement information and guidelines to maintain eligibility.

# **NOTIFICATION OF AWARDS**

School Districts should keep all original copies of documents related to their selection process. For BCIT's administrative purposes, please send a photocopy of the following completed documents no later than April 15.

- Application Form A
- Application Form B Personal Statement
- Application Form C Complete and sign in ink
- Application Form D Letter of Recommendation
- A copy of interim secondary school transcript

School Districts should send applications to: Carol Martina at Carol\_Martina@bcit.ca

