

ALBERTA MARGARET ATKINSON SCHOLARSHIP

Background

Mr. James Henry Atkinson of Jasper bequeathed funds for the establishment of a scholarship to a graduate of the Jasper Junior/Senior High School. The scholarship is dedicated to Mr. Atkinson's beloved wife, Alberta Margaret.

The Alberta Margaret Atkinson Scholarship was established to foster the worthy endeavor of medicine and dentistry. This scholarship recognizes and rewards student achievement and citizenship endeavors of graduates of the senior high school level with the goal of encouraging students to pursue further education in medicine and dentistry.

The scholarship funds are held in trust by Grande Yellowhead Public School Division.

Funding

1. Each year's scholarship award will be derived from the interest earned on the principal balance during the previous year.
2. The scholarship will not be less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) in any year in which it is awarded.
3. Any unpaid interest will be reinvested and added to the principal.
4. Grande Yellowhead Public School Division will administer the fund by investing in guaranteed securities or in a savings account that has an interest rate that is higher than guaranteed securities.
5. The scholarship will cease to exist once contributions have been exhausted.
6. Payment of the scholarship will be made on receipt of verification of the successful applicant's acceptance at a post-secondary institution in the program(s) related to the scholarship.
7. Advertising for the scholarship will take place during August and September of each year.

Nature of the Award

The Alberta Margaret Atkinson Scholarship will consist of a certificate and an award of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

Eligibility Criteria and Selection

The recipient of the scholarship will be identified by the Jasper Junior/Senior High School Awards' Committee. Upon selection of the recipient, the Award's Chair will provide written notification to the Office of the Superintendent. The award will be presented to the student at the annual Jasper Junior/Senior High School Awards' Night.

The individual who is selected will satisfy the following criteria:

1. Be a graduate of the Jasper Junior/Senior High School in Jasper, Alberta; and
2. Be a student in any year of medicine or dentistry; or

3. Be a student in second or subsequent years of study towards a degree or other advanced qualifications in nursing or paramedical studies; or
4. Be a student in second or subsequent years of Engineering or Commerce; or
5. Be a student in first or subsequent years in Law School.

Preference will be given to students in medical or dental studies.

Award

The amount of the award will be determined by the amount of interest earned in that year, and will be a minimum scholarship of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

Reference: Section 31,33,52,53,197,222 Education Act

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