

Mackenzie County 2025 BURSARY APPLICATION

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Student Eligibility

- First time university/college students may receive a bursary within two years from their public school graduation date and either student or immediate family must be living in the County.
- Students returning to their second to fourth year of studies may apply to receive a bursary. Student's immediate family must be living within Mackenzie County.
- Mature students are eligible to receive a bursary at the discretion of Council. The student's immediate family must be living within Mackenzie County. These students will be given third priority.
- Students enrolled in part time studies will be eligible for a bursary prorated to the number of months studied compared to a full time program.
- Must be enrolled in a post-secondary education or certified trade institution.
- Must commit to live and work in the Mackenzie region for a six-month period upon graduation of post-secondary education for each bursary received.
- Must be able to demonstrate commitment to community and education.

Note: Bursary applications received after initial deadline will be awarded on a first come first served basis.

Return Service Agreement

Every student selected to receive a Mackenzie County Bursary must sign an agreement. The Agreement commits the student to live and work within the Mackenzie region for a six-month period upon graduation of post-secondary studies for each bursary received. The length of return services is based on the total value of bursary support with three months of return service for each \$500 of total bursary support or any portion thereof. For example: a bursary of \$1000 has a return service agreement of six months.

Students not returning to work within the Mackenzie region may be expected to reimburse bursary grants received.

Bursary Amount

The usual amount of the bursary is \$1,000.00; however both the number and value of bursaries available each year may vary.

Successful Bursary recipients will receive notification in May; however, the funds will not be provided until the Return Service Agreement has been signed and you have provided us with the confirmations of acceptance from the post-secondary institution of your choice and of tuition paid.

Application Must Include:

First time applicants:

- A cover letter including reason for application, the field of study, career goal and date of graduation.
- 3 reference letters: 1 public school or college or university related, and 2 personal references.

Returning applicants:

- A cover letter including reason for application, the field of study, career goal and date of graduation.
- Proof of course completion (academic transcript) to be submitted as soon as available.
- Proof of course registration or receipt of tuition paid, to be submitted as soon as available.

Application Deadline:

The deadline for **receipt** of applications is **Wednesday, April 30, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.** at the following address:

Mackenzie County
Box 640, Fort Vermilion, Alberta T0H 1N0
Fax: (780) 927-4266
Email: cderksen@mackenziecounty.com

CONTACT INFORMATION (please print)

Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Phone: _____

City/Town: _____ Cell: _____

Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Street Address or Land Location: _____

Number of Years Lived in Region: _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Name of Public School: _____

Graduation Date: _____

Provide a list of the grade twelve subjects, with final grade, that you are using as entry level for post-secondary or trade education. (Please provide a copy of your transcripts if available).

Returning Students: Please provide a copy of your most recent transcripts.

Post-Secondary Institution: _____

Program of Study: _____

Length of Program Studies you plan to attend: 1 yr. 2 yr. 3 yr. 4 yr. more

Date you expect to graduate: _____ 20 _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Please explain how your choice of post-secondary education will benefit the Mackenzie County area.

Please list any community involvement and past work experiences.

Please list any extracurricular activities, hobbies and interests.

**Your application may not be considered if information is missing.
Have you answered all the questions?**

APPLICATION DECLARATION

I declare that:

to the best of my knowledge, the information given on this application is true.

I agree to:

provide any information needed to verify any statement made on this application.

I understand that:

I may have to repay my bursary if I do not fulfil my return service agreement.
I may be denied a bursary if I have made any false or misleading statements on this application.

I consent to:

The use on my name and/or photograph by Mackenzie County for the purposes of publicizing the Mackenzie County Bursary Program.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

