

Collège Miles Macdonell Collegiate



Student Scholarship Handbook 2025-2026

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Introduction

This handbook was designed to help you, a graduating student from Collège Miles Macdonell Collegiate, access scholarships and awards to help you finance your education and life after high school. Post-secondary education is expensive and scholarships are a way to ease that financial burden.

The awards listed in this handbook are school-based, meaning that the CMMC Scholarship Committee, which is comprised of CMMC staff members, will select or nominate a recipient (unless otherwise indicated). **These scholarships will require a CMMC INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION to be submitted by the student to be considered for selection.**

INTERNAL applications will be submitted via a Microsoft Form. On this application, you will select specific awards and share your involvement and achievement as a Buckeye and in the community, including academics, extracurriculars, community service and volunteerism.

This handbook is a comprehensive list of *school-based* awards. There are many other scholarships and bursaries available. Every year, money goes unclaimed, so check the scholarship bulletins regularly, and do your own research. Happy applying and good luck!

Governor General's Academic Medal

The Governor General's Award at the secondary school level is a bronze medal and is awarded to the student(s) who achieves the highest academic average upon graduation.

The average includes all grade 11 and grade 12 courses. The average is calculated based on final grades after final assessments. All students are eligible for consideration regardless of the stream or the subjects chosen.

Awards Requiring Internal Application

* Please note that the term **post-secondary education/institution** refers to universities, colleges, polytechnics, institutes of technology, apprenticeship trades and other accredited learning institutions.

* Please note that some scholarships may not be available for the current academic year or amount may change.

Acacia Masonic Lodge Scholarship

The Acacia Masonic Lodge generously supports a graduating student who personifies the philosophy of the Lodge.

Award Amount: \$1000

Criteria:

- Attending a university, college, or technical institute
- Must be of good character, with strong morals and ethics
- Committed to helping others
- In need of financial assistance
- Not receiving any other awards

Andrew Micklefield MLA's Award

This award is generously given by the MLA for Rossmere. Mr. Micklefield seeks to honour a graduate who has worked hard to overcome life's challenges to fulfil their potential.

Award Amount: \$300

Criteria:

- Has shown courage and resolve in the face of significant challenges during their high school career
- Has displayed perseverance and dedication in achieving success

Canadian Band Director's Association Award

This is a Canadian National Award to recognize music students for their outstanding musicianship, loyalty, dependability, and leadership. It is awarded to students who, in the opinion of their director, do significant work around Instrumental Music.

This award is chosen by the CMMC Music Program teacher(s).

Award Amount: \$100 gift certificate

Criteria:

- Exhibits outstanding musicianship and leadership
- Displays a committed and responsible attitude
- Puts forth extra effort in the area of instrumental music

Collège Miles Macdonell Collegiate Alumni Association Inc. Scholarships (via The Winnipeg Foundation #1484)

These awards are supported by the generous donations of CMMC alumni.

The Macdonell Award

Award Amount: \$2000

Criteria:

- Exemplifies Buckeye characteristics
- Dedicated to studies – minimum of Honours achievement
- Strong character
- Exhibits leadership qualities
- Committed to service at CMMC
- Display of excellence in a variety of CMMC-sponsored programs with an emphasis on extra-curricular involvement

Buckeye Awards

Award Amount: 4 awards of \$1000 each

Criteria:

- Exhibits Buckeye characteristics
- Well-rounded student
- Displays dedication to academics, hard-work, and determination
- Engaged in school life through extra-curricular activities
- Is about doing the best you can, rather than 'being the best'

EAL Award

Award Amount: \$1500

Criteria:

- Current or formerly a part of the English as an Additional Language Program at CMMC
- Shows respect in daily classroom & community interactions
- Shows determination and dedication to education
- Demonstrates evidence of language development
- Strong academic standing and attendance

CMMC Musical Arts Award

This award is generously supported through fundraising and is chosen by the CMMC Music Program teacher(s).

Award Amount: \$500

Criteria:

- Has excelled in the CMMC music program
- Further education in the field of music

CMMC Staff Awards

These awards are given each year from contributions made by the staff of CMMC along with Food Systems Management who provide uncompromising quality and outstanding service in our school cafeteria.

Award Amount: varies

Criteria:

- Well-rounded
- Academic achievement
- Contributes to the overall culture of the school through various extracurricular activities

CUPE Local 4587 Award

This award is generously donated by CUPE – River East Transcona School Division.

Award Amount: \$100

Criteria:

- Well-rounded
- Pursuing post-secondary studies

Derek Daneault Young Leader Scholarship

This award is generously given by Mr. Daneault. He wishes to recognize a deserving student who has a clear vision for their future and is not afraid of the work involved in turning that vision into reality.

Award Amount: \$600

Criteria:

- Well-rounded
- Takes studies and responsibilities seriously
- Maintains an eager and optimistic outlook on life
- Demonstrates concern for others
- Demonstrates leadership qualities
- Has a conscientious attitude
- Involved in the life of the school community

Emergent BioSolutions Scholarship

Emergent BioSolutions is committed to the Winnipeg community and supporting promising young scientists.

Award Amount: \$400

Criteria:

- High academic standing in the sciences
- Pursuing post-secondary education in the STEM field
- Demonstrates outstanding commitment, initiatives and leadership to better our community
- Is a Canadian citizens or permanent resident of Canada

Geoff and Regan Archambault Scholarship (via The Winnipeg Foundation #3794)

The Archambaults generously give this scholarship to a graduate who is committed to making a difference through community service. They want to acknowledge the positive work done to improve our community and encourage future volunteerism.

Award Amount: \$500

Criteria:

- Well-rounded
- Has given back to our community through volunteerism, raising funds and/or gathering items to be given to those in need

Glenn “Keeper” McWhinney Scholarship (via The Winnipeg Foundation #2733)

This memorial award is given in honour of Mr. Glenn “Keeper” McWhinney. It is given to a student who embodies the attributes demonstrated by Mr. McWhinney during his lifetime.

Award Amount: \$1300

Criteria:

- Dedication and commitment to a field of interest
- Demonstrates honesty, humour, humility, and courage
- Must have a record of service to the community through volunteerism
- Consideration is given to a student who has overcome hardships or challenges in or to reach goals.

Good Neighbours Active Living Centre Award

Good Neighbours Active Living Centre want to acknowledge a graduate who embodies their mission of enhancing the quality of life of others.

Award Amount: \$500

Criteria:

- Committed to volunteer service in the local community

Izumi Family Scholarship (via The Winnipeg Foundation #2783)

This memorial award was established to honour the Izumi family who were long-time residents of East Kildonan. As immigrants to Canada, they persevered through the challenges of immigrating to this country and endured the forced relocation of Japanese- Canadians during WWII.

Award Amount: \$1,500

Criteria:

- Began Canadian academic life in the English as an Additional Language program
- Demonstrates perseverance, tenacity, and commitment to their academic success
- Demonstrates a commitment to their education through their progress from EAL student to CMMC graduate
- Commitment is reflected by the improvement of academic marks from their entry as an EAL student to their graduation
- Pursuing post-secondary studies
- Must have Refugee Status or be a Permanent Resident, Landed Immigrant or Canadian citizen

Jack Stewart and Stuart Pateman Scholarship (presented by the Winnipeg Y Service Club)

This award is named in honour of the original founders of the Winnipeg Y Service Club whose mission is to support the local community. It is generously given annually in the spirit of helping a graduating student pursue their academic goals.

Award Amount: \$500

Criteria:

- Hard-working
- Not necessarily top academic student
- Has shown a long-standing commitment to volunteer work in school and/or community
- Must be accepted to a post-secondary institution

Kathleen and Bill Douglas Memorial Scholarship

This memorial award has been established by the family of Kathleen and Bill Douglas. It is supported by the generous donations of family and friends.

Award Amount: \$1000

Criteria:

- Enrolled at the University of Manitoba
- Not necessarily the highest marks, but values academics
- Has made positive contributions to the culture of the school
- In need of financial assistance

“Keep Them in School” Foundation Awards (via The Winnipeg Foundation #2493)

These awards are given by the Rotary Club of Winnipeg East AM and are sponsored by various community donors.

Note: These awards are not always available and are determined year by year based on donors.

The criteria for these awards fall into two categories:

Category One:

Award Amount: \$ TBA

Criteria:

- High academic standing
- Attending a post-secondary institution

Category Two:

Award Amount: \$ TBA

Criteria:

- High academic standing
- Attending a post-secondary institution
- Pursuing post-secondary studies in business or accounting

Masterton Memorial Scholarship

This memorial fund was established to honour Mr. William Masterton and his achievements as a CMMC student and as a great hockey player. Mr. Masterton was fatally injured on the ice while he was a member of the Minnesota North Stars.

Award Amount: \$150

Criteria:

- Outstanding athletic achievement
- Academic proficiency
- Possesses and displays qualities of leadership

Mel Osborne Scholarship & Kiwanis Foundation of Canada Matching Scholarship sponsored by Kiwanis Club of East Kildonan

The Kiwanis Foundation of Canada and the members of the Mel Osborne Fellowship strive to encourage and support club member students who are in pursuit of education, high personal goals and community responsibility.

Award Amount: \$500

Criteria:

- Member of CMMC Key Club
- Displays excellence in community involvement through the CMMC Key Club
- Of good character
- Academically responsible
- Pursuing post-secondary studies at a recognized institution
- In financial need

Patrick “Pat” McNeil Memorial Award

This memorial award has been established by Pat McNeil’s family, friends and classmates. This generous award is given to a graduate who embodies the same traits and spirit as Pat.

Award Amount: \$1000

Criteria:

- Well-rounded
- Has shown determination and persistence to overcome a personal disability or challenge
- Pursuing post-secondary studies, preferably in the field of economics or business

RETSD School Board Awards

These awards are given annually by the River East Transcona School Division to deserving graduates.

The George Marshall Citizenship Award

Award Amount: \$750

Criteria:

- Contributes to positive school community
- Volunteerism outside of school
- Good attendance
- No mark below 65%

The Mary Andree Humanitarian Award

Award Amount: \$750

Criteria:

- Commitment to volunteer work that improves the lives of those less fortunate
- Pattern of selflessness
- No mark below 65%

The Most Improved Student Award

Award Amount: \$750

Criteria:

- Significant improvement in two of the following:
 - o Attendance
 - o Academic performance
 - o Cooperation with school expectations
 - o Contributions to extra-curriculars

The Robert Fraser Leadership Award

Award Amount: \$750

Criteria:

- Commitment to improving school spirit
- Takes initiative in planning and implementing school activities
- Volunteerism both in and outside of school

RETSD School Board Medal Award

The purpose of these awards is to acknowledge the overall outstanding achievements of graduating students in the River East Transcona School Division.

Note: The CMMC selection committee will send one representative to be interviewed by the divisional selection committee comprised of three trustees, the Superintendent, and an Assistant Superintendent.

One student of the six high schools will receive the Gold Medal, and the other five students will receive a Silver Medal.

Award Amount: Silver Medal - \$1500, Gold Medal - \$2,500

Criteria:

- Academic excellence, an average of 85% or higher
- Leadership
- Contribution to school and community
- Positive relationship with staff and students
- Personal interview with nomination committee

River East Transcona Teachers' Assoc. Post-Secondary Scholarship

RETTA generously supports RETSD graduating students with financial support for post-secondary aspirations who may otherwise not have the financial resources to fulfil their dreams.

Award Amount: \$1250

Criteria:

- Exhibits leadership and exemplary strength of character
- Above average standing in academics
- Pursuing post-secondary education
- In need of financial assistance
- Receiving no other award valued over \$1000

Rotary Club of Winnipeg East AM Canada 150 Scholarship (via The Winnipeg Foundation #3732)

The Rotary Club believes in service to others and generously support a graduating student in pursuing further education.

Award Amount: \$500

Criteria:

- Must reside in the River East Transcona School Division west of Lagimodière Blvd.
- Enrolled at an accredited post-secondary institution
- Pursuing post-secondary studies in International Studies, Conflict Resolution, or Peace Initiatives

Royal Canadian Legion Bursary sponsored by Prince Edward Branch #81

Prince Edward Branch #81 annually support a graduating student in their pursuit of further education.

Award Amount: \$1000

Criteria:

- Well-rounded
- Financial need
- Must be a Canadian citizen
- Must be a resident of the community
- Accepted by a university in Manitoba as a full-time student

Royal LePage Prime Scholarship

RLP Prime wishes to honour a graduating student for their academic achievement but most importantly for their strength of character.

Award Amount: \$750

Criteria:

- Demonstrated resiliency by overcoming personal or academic setbacks to achieve a high academic standing in their senior year
- Showed character when tackling a challenge and seeing it through to a successful conclusion
- Exhibited courage, determination, dedication, competitive drive, and the willingness to sacrifice the little things for the things that are worthwhile

Steinbach Credit Union Scholarship

SCU annually provides this scholarship in hopes that it will encourage youth to further their education as they work toward making a better tomorrow for themselves and their community.

Award Amount: \$500

Criteria:

- Well-rounded
- Pursuing post-secondary education at the university or college level

Stephen Leitch Music Award (via The Winnipeg Foundation #3177)

This award is made in memory of Stephen Leitch, who had a great passion for the musical arts.

This award is chosen by the CMMC Music Program teacher(s).

Award Amount: \$800

Criteria:

- Part of the CMMC music program
- Consistently puts forth a committed and enthusiastic attitude
- Possesses passion, talent, and intelligence in the field of music

Terrence Gillis Memorial Award

This memorial award was established by Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Gillis in memory of their son, Terry, who attended CMMC as a student. Terry is well remembered as a Science teacher at Valley Gardens Junior High School.

Award Amount: \$500

Criteria:

- Demonstrated proficiency in the area of science
- Strong academic standing
- Committed to volunteering in the school and in the community
- Must have displayed exceptional strength of character
- Pursuing post-secondary studies

University of Manitoba Chown Centennial Scholarship

This scholarship, in memory of Mr. Charles Gray Chown, is offered to an outstanding student in each high school in the province who is intending to study at the University of Manitoba.

Award Amount: \$1000

Criteria:

- Must attend the University of Manitoba as a full-time student
- Best “all-around” graduate
- Must have a Grade 12 minimum average of 85% or greater in courses which meet admissions criteria

Western Inspirational Bursary Award sponsored by Western Financial Group Communities Foundation

The Western Financial Group office in Kildonan Green generously support a graduating student who has demonstrated exceptional qualities and intends to seek further training to become a productive citizen.

Award Amount: \$750

Criteria:

- Intends to seek further training or education
- Financial need
- Has:
 - o Displayed outstanding community and/or school spirit as an organizer, participant, or volunteer **and/or**
 - o Demonstrated inspiration conduct, whether an act of heroism or leadership in a crisis **and/or**
 - o Has overcome adversity (mental/physical disability, financial hardship, family difficulties)

*A **deserving special needs student** may also apply for this award to recognize their efforts and determination to meet life’s challenges. Such a student may be unable to take post-secondary but may benefit from receiving a cash award to help pay for life-improving equipment, training, or supplies.*