

News

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1. A reminder to all grade 12s that your [official high school transcripts](#) need to be ordered through the Government of Saskatchewan. Schools can provide “unofficial copies of marks” but the post-secondary schools will be looking for your official transcripts. You can send five or fewer copies to different locations (**including your home, which we highly recommend**) for \$20.00 total. Here is a [cheat sheet](#) to help you with your ordering. To get your final transcripts, you will want to select “After June Exams” as that is when your final marks will be submitted to the ministry of education. These will be sent off around mid-July to the post-secondary schools.
2. Students can **earn a high school apprenticeship credit** this summer if they are employed under the supervision of a certified journeyman and complete 100 hours of work. High school students may obtain up to four high school credits (Apprenticeship A20, B20, A30 & B30) provided they meet certain criteria. Specifically, they need to be employed under the supervision of a certified journeyman and complete 100 hours of work per credit. Students must have a teacher/administrator willing to be a supervisor. Paperwork must be completed and approved prior to start date. Interested? Go to [PSSD Apprenticeship Credit](#) for more information.
3. The online [student loan](#) application for the **2019-2020 school year** will be available **June 10th**. Student Loans provide great assistance to students when it comes to paying for their post-secondary education. There are many scholarships available through student loans as well. For more information contact studentservices@gov.sk.ca or 1-800-597-8278. Keep watching the site for updates.
4. Looking for ways to make sure you are safe on the job site plus build the certification section of your resume? **Saskatchewan Safety Council** offers FREE [Career Safety Education](#) training for students ages 14-21. You can [enroll](#) anytime. For more information contact cse@sasksafety.org or 1-855-280-7115.
5. **University of Regina, University of Saskatchewan and Saskatchewan Polytechnic health and dental plans** are automatically applied to student fees in the fall. Students can opt out of them by providing proof that they are covered by an equivalent plan. This can provide a savings of about \$250. To opt out, complete the appropriate form in September: [U of R](#), [U of S](#), & [Saskatchewan Polytechnic](#). For other schools please visit www.studentcare.ca or by calling the institution directly.
6. Students between the ages of 13-17 can explore game development at [Saskatchewan Polytechnic's Plan Program Play](#). This will be taking place in **Moose Jaw on July 17-19 and Regina on July 24-26**. Together, we will discuss the local gaming industry and hear from industry professionals. Over the duration of the camp, we will work to create a complete game that you can show off to your friends and family! The game will include code, basic asset development plus sounds and music. We'll discuss the programming industry in Saskatchewan, the local game development and tech scene. We will also highlight educational opportunities at Saskatchewan Polytechnic that will give you the skills you need to succeed! Students are requested to bring a bagged lunch; snacks will be provided. For more information please contact [Michael Barclay](#) at 306-691-8250. Cost is \$150.00.

7. The [saskjobs.ca website](http://saskjobs.ca) or indeed.com is a great resource for students seeking summer employment.
8. The [Caring Careers website](#) has everything you'll want to know about starting a career in the disability sector. It has the latest job postings, as well as tools, resources, and videos.
9. [myBlueprint](#) is a free online career development support tool that allows students to actively learn about their interests, skills, passions, and feelings, then match those with potential career options. The site also contains a **fantastic resume generator**, budgeting tools, and link to post-secondary institutional programs all through Saskatchewan, Canada, and North America. Please use the PSSD [Student Sign-up for myBlueprint](#), to get started. This will contain a specific link for PSSD students to sign-up.
10. The [Saskatchewan Cancer Agency](#) would like to provide information on educational opportunities for students interested in the field of radiation therapy. Radiation therapists use advanced computer systems and sophisticated radiation therapy equipment to plan and deliver radiation treatments while providing patient support throughout the treatment process. For more information please visit www.saskcancer.ca/rtschool , email rtschoolinfo@saskcancer.ca , or call 306-766-2288. Applications forms will open fall of 2019 for school commencing in 2020.
11. The [2019 Relevance Magazine: Career Options for Your Future](#) publication, from the Saskatoon Industry Council, is available to all students for articles and interviews on Saskatchewan residents following their career paths. Please visit the site to download a digital copy.

Post- Secondary Information

UNIVERSITY OF REGINA:

- Students attending in the fall are invited to join in the [U of R Orientation activities](#) on **September 3**. This is guaranteed to be a fun day filled with helpful sessions, food and prizes. This is the best way to begin your post-secondary adventure as it provides opportunities to mix and mingle with students and professors.
- There is an [Online Orientation](#) for those students who want to get a jump start on the U of R experience.
- The [Summer Bridge Program](#) will give new students a chance to experience the University of Regina campus before the fall semester starts, and will give them an opportunity to develop their academic skills before taking on a full-load of classes. The program incorporates academics, university preparation, and social activities to prepare students to be successful at the University of Regina. The program runs from **August 6-29**. Students will complete their English 100 course for credit. Cost is \$750 for those students living in residence in the fall and \$800 for those attending but not staying in residence. Book cost ranges from \$100-150 (extra). Apply before **June 15** to guarantee your spot.

SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC:

- Students enrolled in a certificate or diploma program can apply for [scholarships](#) starting **August 1**. The application deadline for these scholarships is **September 15**.
- [Easy Start Transition Workshop for Students Who Require Accessibility Services](#) will be taking place in Regina on **May 28**, Moose Jaw on **June 6**, Saskatoon on **June 4**, and Prince Albert on **June 11**. This workshop will provide students, living with a disability, information on academic support, accommodations, documentation requirements, financial assistance and assistive technology. Please see link for specific times. Call to register for these workshops.

- This summer, Sask Polytechnic is offering a variety of [Summer Camps](#) throughout their campuses. Students are encouraged to check out the page and register for these hands on learning experiences!
- [Women in Trades and Technology \(WITT\)](#) events are being held at Sask Polytech (various campuses) for young ladies ages 12-15. These camps are a fun way to introduce young ladies to possible future careers in trades and technology while they attend an enjoyable week-long day camp. Girls are introduced to women who work in a variety of fulfilling occupations who spend time promoting the importance of career awareness through activities with the participants. Each girl gets a chance to use tools and participate in a collaborative way, making creative decisions. They work individually or in pairs on a number of fun trades or technology projects throughout the week. Please [register for this event](#). Deadline to register is **July 1**. Cost is \$150.00. Contact Michelle WITT@saskpolytech.ca or 306-691-8446 for more information.

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN:

- [Orientation](#) for new students will be held on **Sept. 3**. Students attending the U of S this fall won't want to miss this interactive and fun event. It is the best way to ensure your life as a university student begins on the right track. Registration for orientation will open in August.
- The [New To USASK](#) provides newly admitted students invaluable information on how to register for classes, pay tuition, buy textbooks, access the learning centres, etc.
- New students are encouraged to sign-up for the U of S's [Learning Communities](#). This is a small group of students who are some of the same courses together. Students gather in a weekly Learning Community hour, guided by two student Peer Mentions. They help with connecting with other students with similar interests and goals, developing skills to study more effectively, explore new ideas and interest, and learning from peers in first year and upper years. Students must accept their offer of admission before they can sign-up for Learning Communities. Sign-ups for most Learning Communities will close on **June 12**. Please [register](#) ASAP to make sure you don't miss out.
- You can still register for the [Faculty of Arts and Sciences](#). The deadline is **August 15**. Please refer to the [Requirements and Deadlines](#) section for more information. Visit the [How to Apply](#) section to register.

GREAT PLAINS COLLEGE:

- The deadline for the [Grade 11 Early Entrance Award](#) is **June 30**. Grade 11 students who apply may receive an additional Early Entrance Award of \$1,000 (must apply before **June 30** and have a 70% or higher academic average). Final grade 11 transcripts must be submitted by **September 15**. Please see more details on their website.

Looking for contact information for certain colleges and universities? [Here is a guide](#) to help you find what you are looking for with phone numbers and email addresses

Upcoming Events

June 1	Preliminary deadline to apply for University of Regina and Luther Residences . Register early to make sure you get the room you are looking for!		
June 8	RCMP Career Presentation	9:00 am	RCMP Heritage Centre, Regina
	This is the first step involved in applying to the RCMP. They will review recruitment processes.		
June 1	U of S: U-Start Registration Workshop	9:15 a.m.	Saskatoon
June 8	This workshop will provide valuable information about preparing for university life. Parents are welcome to attend as well. Please register.		

July 17-19	Plan Program Play This camp focuses on computer video gaming, coding, etc. for students ages 13-17. Please register!	Sask Polytech, Moose Jaw
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Sept. 3	U of Saskatchewan Orientation	U of S, Saskatoon
Sept. 3	U of Regina Orientation	U of R, Regina
These orientations are designed to give students an opportunity to make new friends, meet professors and get familiar with campus life. They are information-packed days loaded with fun activities. Please register.		

Scholarship Spotlight

Are you a Saskatchewan student planning to attend a Saskatchewan post-secondary institution?

If yes, congratulations! You are a scholarship winner. The [Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship](#) awards all Saskatchewan grade 12 graduates a scholarship of \$500 per year. Students may receive this scholarship up to a lifetime maximum of \$2,000. This scholarship is automatically applied to their tuition.

[Saskatchewan Youth Apprenticeship Industry \\$1000 scholarships](#) are rewarded each year to over 120 students who complete the Youth Apprenticeship passport. Each school nominates a potential candidate and winners are announced in June. Many Prairie South students have won this scholarship. Check with your school administrator or guidance counsellor for information on how you can earn 300 hours towards an apprenticeship trade along with the chance to win a \$1000 scholarship.

[Our Way – Employment and Social Development Canada](#) can help with financial assistance of scholarships and grants; saving, planning and paying for your education is within reach. Included are links to Colleges and Universities, post-secondary program search, repayments assistance estimator, career tool, and information on studying abroad

Don't forget that the [Scholarship and Loans](#) section of the PSSD website has some documents to assist you in your scholarship search such as scholarship cover letter examples, a downloadable organizer, and financial/scholarship information including:

- [Post-Secondary Finances](#)
- [Scholarship Search Engines](#)
- [Post-Secondary Institution Scholarship Links](#)

Due Date	Scholarship	Amount	Criteria
June 2	Got a Spine Scholarship	• \$500	→ Applicants must answer questions about the treatment of back injuries.
June 15	Canadian Charolais Youth Association	• 6 awards: \$75- \$300	→ Open to students of all ages. → Essay topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior – from pasture to plate, tell us your Canadian “beef story” → Intermediate and Senior – Discuss the importance and challenges of trade for the Canadian Beef Industry.
June 15	Marilyn McCrea Scholarship	• 2 X \$500	→ For female students pursuing a career in which women are under-represented. → Awarded to students who live in south-central Saskatchewan.

June 17	<u>Gerry McCudden Memorial Scholarship Award</u>	• \$2000	→ Students must submit an essay, have leadership roles and have an academic average of 80% or higher. → Must be accepted into a post-secondary program for the following year
June 30	<u>Nelson's Civic Leader Scholarship</u>	• 3 X \$3,000	→ Must write an essay detailing your civic leadership activities. → Minimum 75% average. A reference letter from a high school teacher is required.
June 30	<u>Nelson's Scholarship for Indigenous Students</u>	• 3 X \$3000	→ Must be completing final year of high school and making a difference in their community → 500-750 word essay detailing your leadership and preservation of indigenous language/culture → Minimum of 80% average in final year of high school → Reference letter from high school teacher or elder
June 30	<u>Lift Parts Express Scholarship</u>	• \$500	→ Applicants are required to write an essay based on the following topic: <i>Going to college is a big financial commitment.</i>
June 30	<u>Saskatchewan Physical Education Association</u>	• 2 X \$700	→ Must be enrolled in a U of R or U of S Kinesiology/Physical Education program or a Polytechnic recreation/leisure program. → Must be actively involvement in high school Phys. Ed., intramural & extracurricular programs, have a min. 70% average, and display strong leadership and sportsmanlike qualities.
June 30	<u>Saskatchewan Trucking Association</u>	• 1 X \$3000 • 2 X \$1000	→ Students of employees of the association membership can apply.
June 30	<u>BBG Communications Scholarship</u>	• \$1,000	→ For students between the ages of 16 and 21 → Must submit answers to the two essay questions.
June 30	<u>Canada's Outstanding Young Farmers Memorial Scholarship</u>	• \$1000	→ Must be pursuing post-secondary education leading to a diploma or degree in agriculture. → Essay topic: <i>Why are you passionate about agriculture in Canada?</i>

June 1-30	<u>The Prairie Healthcare Scholarship</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1,000 - \$20,000 (depending on needs, goals & passion) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → For students studying in a health-related field (Medicine, Nursing, Physiotherapy, Massage Therapy, Pharmacy, Nutrition, Social Work). → Each application is reviewed on a case-by-case basis to determine their eligibility. → Applicants are required to provide an essay presenting what their study plans are and providing their grade transcripts.
July 2	<u>The Larry Wilson Scholarship Program</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$500 + 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → The Moose Jaw Arts in Motion have scholarships available to students who will be studying in the following disciplines: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drama • Dance (Traditional and Contemporary) • Musical Theatre (live voice and dance) • Instrumental • Vocal • Literature (including writing, journalism, screen writing)
July 4	<u>The National Union's Scholarship Program</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 X \$1,500 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → For children of NUPGE members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Tommy Douglas Scholarship (\$1,500): awarded for the best 750-1,000 word essay on how Tommy Douglas contributed to making Canada a more just and equitable society. • The Terry Fox Memorial (\$1,500): awarded for the best essay on the importance of quality public services in enhancing the quality of life of people with disabilities. • For LGBTQ2 Students (\$1500) awarded to students who identify as LGBTQ2. The essay topic is the importance of trade unions in supporting the LGBTQ2 communities. • For Indigenous Students (\$1,500): awarded to an Aboriginal Canadian student for the best essay on the importance of quality public services in enhancing the quality of life of Aboriginal Canadians. • For Students of Colour (\$1,500): awarded for the best essay on the importance of quality public services in enhancing the quality of life of people of colour in Canada. • Brian Fudge Memorial (\$1,500): awarded to an applicant that is entering the field of study in health care, criminal justice, community service or policing.
Aug. 30	<u>Marlene Forden Memorial Scholarship</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$500- \$1,000 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Must answer how multiple sclerosis has affected your life. → Must submit 2 letters of reference.
Aug. 31	<u>Arctic Physical Therapy Scholarship</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$500 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Must submit an essay based on how physical therapy can make a difference in someone's life.

Aug. 31	<u>Saskatchewan Hockey Association</u>	• Min. 11 X \$1000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Must have been registered for three years with good standing in the SHA and must attend a Saskatchewan based university or college within 4 years of the grant. → For registered members (male and female) of the SHA including coaches and referees.
Aug. 31	<u>Saskatchewan School Board Scholarships</u>	• 2 X \$2500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Awarded to graduating students who remain in Saskatchewan for post-secondary study. → Selection based upon demonstrated good character, leadership and financial need. → Essay topic: <i>Identify and provide an explanation for two things that you would change in the school system to better prepare you for the future.</i>
Various Dates	<u>Indspire Scholarships</u>	• Various (\$800-\$4500)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> → For Indigenous students enrolled in full time post-secondary studies → Eligible fields of study include Business, Health Careers, Science, Law, Engineering, Information Technology, Education, Social Work, Social Sciences and Technical Studies.
<p><u>Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarships</u> awards \$500 per year (lifetime maximum of \$2,000) to all Saskatchewan grade 12 graduates who attend a Saskatchewan post-secondary institution. Post-secondary institutions apply this scholarship automatically towards students' tuition. No application is required.</p>			

A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to the PSSD Class of 2019!!!

“You wish and you dream with all your heart. But remember, that old star can only take you part of the way. You got to help it with some hard work of your own. An then you can do anything you set your mind to.

— - Tiana's father, James (Voiced by Terrence Howard)