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# Student Career News



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**Reminder: The information provided in this newsletter is the most up-to-date information that we have, at this time. Upcoming dates and events may change based on the current climate of our province. Please make sure to keep current with websites and contact institutions directly, for confirmations. Thank you!**

## News

1. **2020 Graduates: YOU STILL HAVE TIME to apply** for many [Prairie South Scholarships](#) being offered through the tremendous generosity of community and division supporters! Applications and supporting documentation must be submitted by **May 1. This is coming up very quickly! If you cannot access the online form, please contact your administrator for a paper copy.**
2. [Grade11 University of Regina VIRTUAL Preview Day](#) (Spring Open House) will be hosted on **May 22<sup>nd</sup>**, from 9:30 pm to 3:00 pm. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to participate in different sessions on what the U of R has to offer and services provided. Registration and schedule will be posted soon. Parents are invited to attend, as well! Contact [Kayla Schmaus](#) at 306-337-2639 for more information.
3. [See Your Future](#) will be held on **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, in Regina, from 9:45 am to 3:00 pm. This is an amazing event that provides students with an opportunity to answer the questions about life after high school. Where will I study? What scholarships are available? What programs do I require to get the job I want? Registration opens on **August 4<sup>th</sup>**. Many schools decide to do this as a group, so make sure to touch base with your administrator. Any questions can be directed to [Tracey Kowalchuk](#) (Director), [Contact Submissions](#), or 306-260-1314.
4. With scholarship season upon us, here are some great reminders when it comes to preparing your applications (don't forget about the scholarship section at the bottom of this newsletter) from [Student Awards](#):
  - [How to Create A Strong Scholarship Application](#)
  - [10 Tips for Winning Scholarships and Bursaries](#)
  - [How not to Get discouraged When Applying for Scholarships](#)
5. [Student Loans](#) provide great assistance to students when it comes to paying for their post-secondary education. The [online student loan application](#) is a great way to start the process. There are many scholarships available through student loans, as well.
6. **Students attending a Post-Secondary school**, this fall, are reminded to check their post-secondary email accounts consistently for important information on outstanding items, dates, fees, orientations, etc.
7. Olds College is offering two [Veterinary Medicine for Teens](#) courses on **August 18-21 and 25-28**. Students between the ages of 13-16 will have hands-on experiences and learn about the various roles and responsibilities of Veterinary Medical Receptionists, Veterinary Technical Assistants, Animal Health Technologists and Veterinarians. Students will also learn about basic animal first aid, assessments, animal behaviour and safety. Cost is \$595.00. Please call 1-403-556-4740 or email [coned@oldscollege.ca](mailto:coned@oldscollege.ca) for more info.

8. Linda Smith, Peacock Collegiate, will be offering a blended learning style **Standard First Aid/CPR AED** course on **May 23, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm**, location to be determined. This blended learning style is done in two parts. The first is done online at your own pace but **MUST** be done prior to the second part which is the classroom instruction. At the end, you will be certified in Standard First Aid/CPR AED “C”. If you require HCP/BLS, you will need to stay for an additional hour to get that certification. This is also open to anyone that needs recertification in Standard First Aid CPR/AED. Cost is \$100. **Registration must be done by May 15th**, to give you time to do the online portion. **For more information and to register please email [smith.linda@prairiesouth.ca](mailto:smith.linda@prairiesouth.ca) or call (306) 681-8323. Event date is tentative depending on the current climate, at this time. Please make sure to contact Linda.**
9. **Career Safety Education** (CSE) is a fantastic opportunity if you are currently on your way to building your resume and wanting to look like a star candidate for your future employers. Now you can receive safety training **for FREE!** Whether this training is to help you keep first-day awkwardness at bay or further develop your career, you are in the right place. Safety training looks great on resumes and post-secondary applications, as well as [scholarship applications!](#) The [CES Program](#) is available to all students. For more information, please contact [Amanda](#) or call 306-757-3197 or toll free 1-855-280-7115
10. **WorkSafe Saskatchewan**, for a limited time (no end date currently) is providing residence of Saskatchewan with **FREE** online health and safety education certification. This is a great opportunity to include in your resume when applying for a job. Courses include Bullying in the Workplace, Hazard Identification, Mental Health, Violence in the Workplace, and WHMIS. [Course descriptions](#) are available. Once you go through the [registration](#), and declare yourself as a Saskatchewan resident, your total cost will be zero dollars. You can then begin taking the courses you have selected.
11. **Relevance Magazine 2020** Career Options for Your Future Magazine has been sent to all PSSD schools. Please see your administrator. This is an annual magazine providing career and labour market information to Saskatchewan youth; as well as helpful hints, post-secondary guidance, and scholarship opportunities. A [digital version](#) can be viewed or downloaded to your computer or device.
12. **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.

## Post- Secondary Information

### UNIVERSITY OF REGINA:

- How can students contact enrollment services? Text them! Admitted and prospective students can text their questions to **587-609-6049**. Also, if you're using Facebook you can follow [University of Regina Future Students](#) to stay up to date and use Facebook Messenger to have questions answered.
- [Summer Virtual Bridge Program](#) is a program that will run from **August 4 to 27 (orientation on July 8)**. It 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. Please apply by **June 15 (or until it is filled)**. For more information contact [student.success@uregina.ca](mailto:student.success@uregina.ca) or call 306-585-4076.

- The U of R has created a [Preparing for University FAQ](#) page to assist students with their questions.
- [UR Beginning: Online Course Registration Days](#) will begin on **April 30<sup>th</sup>**. This is the official first day of open registration for new students for Fall 2020. All first year students are invited to attend a [virtual Course Registration Event](#) **April 30<sup>th</sup>, May 1<sup>st</sup>, May 14<sup>th</sup>, and June 12<sup>th</sup>**.
- If you have applied for the Faculty of Nursing, please be sure to continue to check your email regarding offers. New offers are being sent out mid-May.
- The Faculty of Business Administrations has changed their admission coverage to now be 70%. This will take effect for Fall 2020 admissions. For more information or questions, please contact [Raelynn Norbeck](#) or call 306-585-5016.
- [Living-Learning Communities \(LLCs\)](#) offer students a wonderful way to get involved in their community, engaged with their faculty, and have fun with peers with similar interests and values. Don't wait to apply as space is very limited.
- Students can take many courses in their own communities or from their homes through the [Flexible Learning Division](#).
- [Luther College Scholarships](#) are available for application until **May 15**.
- Wondering what you need to do after being accepted into the U of R? Check out the [What's Next?](#) page to make sure you are staying on track regarding your acceptance into your program.

### **SASKATCHEWAN POLYTECHNIC:**

- [New programs](#) are being offered at Sask Polytech, starting next fall. Be aware that most of these programs require you to have some form of post-secondary education already
- Students that have specific questions about Sask Polytech courses and registration are encouraged to contact [Marlene Frechette](#) at 1-306-691-8385.
- [Virtual Young Women's Trades and Technology Conference](#) will be held on **May 8<sup>th</sup>**. During this online conference you'll learn about careers in trades and technology from women role models and network with other women who have same interests. Please contact [Brittany Grimsdale](#) or call 306-659-48963.
- [Creating Opportunities for Entry into the Trades](#) program is designed to provide trades training opportunities to underrepresented groups. Students in grade 10,11, and 12, that fall into this category are encouraged to check out the 13-week Parts Person Applied Certificate program that is being offered. Program runs from **May 4 to July 31**. Questions can be directed to [programinnovation@saskpolytech.ca](mailto:programinnovation@saskpolytech.ca) or 306-659-4358.

### **UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN:**

- The [New Students](#) page is an awesome resource as students are planning to register for their Fall 2020 classes. Any questions please contact [admissions@usask.ca](mailto:admissions@usask.ca) or 306-966-5788.
- [U-Start Sessions](#) prepare students for their future as a U of S student and are offered throughout the province in the spring.
- There are still programs that are accepting applications for the Fall 2020 semester. [Agriculture and Bioresources](#) (June 1 deadline), [Edwards School of Business](#) (June 1 deadline), [Engineering](#) (June 1 deadline), [Arts and Sciences](#) (August 15 deadline)
- Students who complete [Saskatchewan Polytechnic's two-year business diploma program can now transfer into the third year of the U of S's four-year Bachelor of Commerce program](#). Students can also transfer directly into the University of Regina's Business program.
- [University summer classes](#) give high school students a head start on their degree program and lighten their load for the upcoming school year. This year these classes will be held remotely, given the current Covid-19 pandemic. Be sure to check with a U of S counsellor to ensure that the course you choose meets your program's requirements. You can reach them at [admissions@usask.ca](mailto:admissions@usask.ca) or 306-966-5788.
- Students enrolled in the Arts & Science, Agriculture & Bioresources, Engineering, Education and Kinesiology programs can sign up for [first-year learning communities](#). Learning Communities provide students with a sense of belonging and help build leadership skills. These first year students will register in a common set of 2 or 3 classes and receive weekly assistance from peers and university mentors. **Sign-up beginning May 4.**

### Vancouver Acting School:

- [Vancouver Acting School](#) has Business Training and Career planning to hands on training from professionals. [Full time](#) and [part time](#) courses are available. [Contact](#) 1-604-564-7242 for more information.

### OLDS COLLEGE:

- Olds College is pleased to offer the online [Veterinary Medical Receptionist](#) program. This program combines office administration and veterinary medicine skills to both large and small animals.

### VANCOUVER INSTITUTE OF MEDIA ARTS:

- [Vancouver Institute of Media Arts](#) invites students to experience the beginning of their careers in animations, actors, broadcasters, web developers, game artists, photographers, and visual effects pros. There are vast amounts of [programs](#) to choose from. [Contact](#) 1-800-396-2787 for more information.

## Upcoming Events

April 30	<a href="#">UR Beginning</a>	University of Regina Online
May 1	This is a great opportunity for admitted students to attend academic advising sessions and register in their first semester classes. These sessions will be held virtually based on the Covid-19 pandemic.	
May 14		
June 12		
May 1	Deadline to apply for all <a href="#">Prairie South Scholarships</a>	
May 8	<a href="#">Virtual Women's Conference in Trades and Technology</a>	Sask Polytech Online
	During this online conference you'll learn about careers in trades and technology from women role models and network with other women who have same interests	
May 22	<a href="#">Spring Open House 2020</a>	University of Regina Online
	<b>Grade 11s, this one is for you!</b> from 9:30 pm to 3:00 pm. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to participate in different sessions on what the U of R has to offer and services provided. Registration and schedule will be posted soon. Parents are invited to attend, as well!	
Upcoming	<a href="#">University of Saskatchewan: U-Start Workshop</a>	Saskatoon
	This workshop will provide valuable information about preparing for university life. Parents are welcome to attend. Please check website for more dates. <b>Please check webpage for more information regarding upcoming online workshops.</b>	

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.

## Scholarship Spotlight



Don't forget about [Prairie South School Division Scholarships](#)! As students of PSSD, you have access to these scholarships. Please make sure to check the "All Prairie South Schools" section for division wide scholarships as well as your school for specific scholarships.

Deadline for all scholarship applications is **May 1<sup>st</sup>**! **APPLY! APPLY! APPLY**

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

The [Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship](#) is for students with demonstrated financial needs. Students are deemed to have a demonstrated financial need if they are approved for a student loan. Please see website for more criteria.

[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.

[Relevance Magazine 2020](#) is available as a digital download. **On page 20** you will find many **scholarships available** to students, from all over Saskatchewan. Links to these scholarships are available (and clickable) for easy access.

You can find more scholarships that are available, all over Canada, by using [Student Awards](#) website.

The [Education Planning and Student Aid](#) page, from the Government of Canada gives many useful tools for students and parents to access, regarding planning for an education, saving, budget, and exploring student aid and career options.

[Canada Student Grants and Loans – What student grants and loans offer](#) will provide information on applying for student loans. Saskatchewan residents will want to look at our [Saskatchewan section](#) when looking to apply. Please contact [studentservices@gov.sk.ca](mailto:studentservices@gov.sk.ca) or call 1-800-597-8278 for more information.

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](#)



Love duct tape and could use a \$10,000 scholarship? We have the scholarship for you. The [Stuck at Prom](#) contest simply requires you to create your grad outfit completely out of duct tape. Even if you prefer not to strut in a duct tape gown or tux, you'll want to check out the creative [past submissions](#). Contest will go live **April 1 to June 8**. See [FAQs](#) for more information.

Due Date	Scholarship	Amount	Criteria
April 30	<a href="#">Bayer Crop Science Scholarship for Future Leaders</a>	• 6 X \$5000	→ Scholarship <a href="#">Program Guidelines</a> set out by Bayer
April 30	<a href="#">"I'm Passionate About" Scholarship</a>	• 3 X \$500	→ For students going into a post-secondary agriculture program → Complete an essay on the theme "Why I'm passionate about agriculture" in the form of one-page essay or two-minute video → Must include transcript → Proof of post-secondary education for Fall 2020
May 1	<a href="#">Prairie South Schools Scholarships</a>	• Various Amounts	→ Must be a Prairie South Student → Please make sure to check the "All Prairie South Schools" section and your specific school for a list of scholarships available for your consideration
May 24	<a href="#">Orville Erickson Memorial</a>	• 4 X \$2000	→ For students entering a field related to conservation. → 3 letters of reference are required (2 from teachers)
May 31	<a href="#">Leavitt Machinery</a>	• \$500	→ Must write an essay about safety procedures and injury prevention.
May 31	<a href="#">Les Donnelly Scholarship</a>	• Varies	→ For a student who has contributed to health and safety in their community.
May 31	<a href="#">Saskatchewan Association of Student Council</a>	• \$100 - \$1000	→ Applicants must submit a current high school transcript and an essay (up to 500 words) describing their school and community involvement as well as 2 letters of recommendation.
May 31	<a href="#">Saskatchewan Drama Association</a>	• \$1000	→ Students must have a membership in the Sask. Drama Association for a minimum of one year, a 75% average, a letter of interest and two reference letters.
May 31	<a href="#">MADD Canada Bursary Program</a>	• \$8000	→ For students who have had a sibling, parent or caregiver killed in an impaired-related crash and are pursuing post-secondary education.
May 31	<a href="#">4-H Scholarship Opportunities</a>	• Various	→ Must be a member of the 4-H program to apply

<b>June 10</b>	<a href="#"><u>Bayer Fund Opportunity Scholarship</u></a>	• 65 X \$1500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ For students who plan on pursuing post-secondary education in the area of agriculture, food science, or culinary program.</li> <li>→ Must submit 2 references, 1 reference letter and an application essay, "Canadian farmers play an important role in feeding the world in a sustainable way; what role will you play?"</li> <li>→ Copy of Transcripts</li> </ul>
<b>June 10</b>	<a href="#"><u>Insurance Brokers Association of Saskatchewan Young Community Leader Bursary</u></a>	• \$2500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Grade 12 student, graduating in 2020 with intent to pursue a higher education with the next two years</li> <li>→ Demonstrate an exceptional commitment to their community through volunteerism, school involvement, leadership of local initiatives, or other means of engagement</li> <li>→ Role model in community</li> <li>→ Academic dedication with a minimum cumulative average of 75%</li> </ul>
<b>June 15</b>	<a href="#"><u>Canadian Charolais Youth Association</u></a>	• 6 awards: \$75- \$300	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Open to students of all ages.</li> <li>→ Essay topic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss plant-based "beef"</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>June 17</b>	<a href="#"><u>Gerry McCudden Memorial Scholarship Award</u></a>	• \$2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Students must submit an essay, have leadership roles and have an academic average of 80% or higher.</li> <li>→ Must be accepted into a post-secondary program for the following year</li> </ul>
<b>June 30</b>	<a href="#"><u>Nelson Civic Leader Scholarship</u></a>	• \$10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ 500-750 word essay detailing your civic leadership activities.</li> <li>→ Minimum 80% average. A reference letter from a high school teacher is required.</li> <li>→ Completing final year of high school and making a difference in their community</li> </ul>
<b>June 30</b>	<a href="#"><u>Nelson Indigenous Student Scholarship</u></a>	• \$10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Must be completing final year of high school and making a difference in their community</li> <li>→ 500-750 word essay detailing your leadership and preservation of indigenous language/culture</li> <li>→ Minimum of 80% average in final year of high school</li> <li>→ Reference letter from high school teacher or elder</li> </ul>
<b>June 30</b>	<a href="#"><u>Marilyn McCrea Scholarship</u></a>	• 2 X \$500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ For female students pursuing a career in which women are under-represented.</li> <li>→ Awarded to students who live in south- central Saskatchewan.</li> </ul>

June 30	<a href="#">Canada's Outstanding Young Farmers Memorial Scholarship</a>	• 2 X \$1000	<p>→ Must be pursuing post-secondary education leading to a diploma or degree in agriculture.</p> <p>→ Essay topic: <i>Why are you passionate about agriculture in Canada?</i></p>
June 30	<a href="#">The Larry Wilson Scholarship Program</a>	• \$500 +	<p>→ The Moose Jaw Arts in Motion have scholarships available to students who will be studying in the following disciplines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drama</li> <li>• Dance (Traditional and Contemporary)</li> <li>• Musical Theatre (live voice and dance)</li> <li>• Instrumental</li> <li>• Vocal</li> <li>• Literature (including writing, journalism, screen writing)</li> </ul>
June 30	<a href="#">Saskatchewan Physical Education Association</a>	• 2 X \$700	<p>→ Must be enrolled in a U of R or U of S Kinesiology/Physical Education program or a Polytechnic recreation/leisure program.</p> <p>→ Must be actively involvement in high school Phys. Ed., intramural &amp; extracurricular programs, have a min. 70% average, and display strong leadership and sportsmanlike qualities.</p>
June 1-30	<a href="#">The Prairie Healthcare Scholarship</a>	• \$1,000 - \$20,000 (depending on needs, goals & passion)	<p>→ For students studying in a health-related field (Medicine, Nursing, Physiotherapy, Massage Therapy, Pharmacy, Nutrition, Social Work).</p> <p>→ Each application is reviewed on a case-by-case basis to determine their eligibility.</p> <p>→ Applicants are required to provide an essay presenting what their study plans are and providing their grade transcripts.</p>
July 6	<a href="#">The National Union's Scholarship Program</a>	• \$2500 each	<p>→ For children of NUPGE members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The Tommy Douglas Scholarship</b> (\$2,500): awarded for the best 750-1,000 word essay on how Tommy Douglas contributed to making Canada a more just and equitable society.</li> <li>• <b>The Terry Fox Memorial</b> (\$2,500): awarded for the best essay on the importance of quality public services in enhancing the quality of life of people with disabilities.</li> <li>• <b>For LGBTQ2 Students</b> (\$2500) awarded to students who identify as LGBTQ2. The essay topic is the importance of trade unions in supporting the LGBTQ2 communities.</li> </ul>



			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>For Indigenous Students</b> (\$2,500): 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.</li> <li>• <b>For Students of Colour</b> (\$2,500): awarded for the best essay on the importance of quality public services in enhancing the quality of life of people of colour in Canada.</li> <li>• <b>Brian Fudge Memorial</b> (\$2,500): awarded to an applicant that is entering the field of study in health care, criminal justice, community service or policing.</li> </ul> <p>→ <b>Young Worker Scholarship</b> (2 X \$2500) awarded to those under the age of 30 as of the application deadline who are members or children/grandchildren, or foster children/grandchildren of a National Union member or retiree and who are attending or planning to attend a public post-secondary institution in 2020.</p>
<b>August 31</b>	<a href="#">Saskatchewan School Boards Association Education Scholarships</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$2500.00 (degree scholarship)</li> <li>• \$2500.00 (technical/trade scholarship)</li> </ul>	<p>→ Recipients are selected on the basis of demonstrated good character, community leadership, financial need</p> <p>→ 500 word essay on your leadership in school and community activities</p> <p>→ <a href="#">Rubric</a> used for scoring</p>
<b>Various Dates</b>	<a href="#">Indspire Scholarships</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Various (\$800-\$4500)</li> </ul>	<p>→ For Indigenous students enrolled in full time post-secondary studies</p> <p>→ Eligible fields of study include Business, Health Careers, Science, Law, Engineering, Information Technology, Education, Social Work, Social Sciences and Technical Studies.</p>