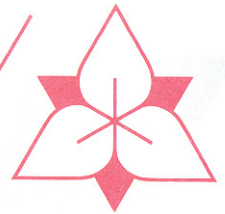


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March, 2013

TO: AFFILIATES

Greetings:

**APPLICATION FOR
2013 OFL's LABOUR POST-SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS**

The OFL is pleased to call for applications for its annual OFL's Labour Post-Secondary Scholarships.

The OFL will award two scholarships worth \$2,000 each to a member or the child of a member of a local union affiliated to the OFL. The scholarships are awarded in honour of distinguished trade union activists selected by OFL Affiliates.

Eligible scholarship recipients must be entering, in **September 2013**, the first year of a full-time course of study (leading to a diploma or certificate) at a public Ontario community college or the first year of an undergraduate program (leading to a degree) at a publicly-funded Ontario university.

Scholarships are only available to candidates who have no prior post-secondary studies. The criteria for selection of the scholarship winners are the following:

1. A brief résumé outlining non-academic interests and activities, such as community or political involvement as well as goals for the future.
2. Evidence of understanding of the role and significance of the Canadian labour movement.

In order to satisfy point (2) above, applicants will be required to submit an essay of not more than 1,000 words. This year's topic is:

"What does equity mean to you and how will it impact today's youth as they become the next generation of workers in Canada? Why should the labour movement take a strong stance in fighting for equity? What issues of inequality must be priorities for our society? Feel free to draw from your own experiences."

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The deadline for receipt of applications is May 10, 2013. An Application Form is enclosed or can be found on-line at www.ofl.ca.

The winners will be announced by June 28, 2013.

The OFL is committed to social justice and equity and believes strongly that post-secondary education provides important opportunities that should not be limited by tuition fees and student debt. We offer these scholarships to assist students in overcoming financial barriers in accessing a public college or university education.

We proudly encourage women, people of colour, Aboriginal people, LGBTQ people, people with disabilities and those from other equity-seeking backgrounds to apply for this scholarship.

The OFL is very proud to contribute to the education and development of current trade unionists, as well as investing in the next generation of labour activists. While we fight together for post-secondary education that is accessible to all, we hope this financial assistance can provide support for our members and their children.

Please ensure that these scholarships are made known as widely as possible.

In solidarity,



SID RYAN
President

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Attachment

copy: N. Hutchison, I. Nanda, OFL Executive Board



**OFL's LABOUR POST-SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS
2013 APPLICATION FORM**

[Information on this application will be kept strictly confidential]

PART ONE: THE STUDENT



NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ PROVINCE: _____ POSTAL CODE: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR FIRST LANGUAGE: _____

POST-SECONDARY COURSE AND INSTITUTION YOU ARE PLANNING TO ENTER:

STATEMENT OF INTERESTS AND GOALS:

Please attach a brief résumé outlining non-academic interests and activities, such as community or political involvement as well as goals for the future.

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS MAY 10, 2013.
THE WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY JUNE 28, 2013.**

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PART TWO: THE UNION

NAME OF PARENT [OR APPLICANT] WHO IS A UNION MEMBER:

EMPLOYER: _____

OCCUPATION: _____

NAME OF UNION: _____

LOCAL UNION NUMBER: _____

I, the undersigned, attest that: _____
[Name of applicant or parent]

is a member in good standing in this local union which is affiliated to the Ontario Federation of Labour:

NAME OF LOCAL UNION OFFICER: _____
[Please print]

SIGNATURE OF LOCAL UNION OFFICER: _____

PHONE NUMBER OF LOCAL UNION OFFICER: _____

PART THREE: THE ESSAY

Please attach a **double-spaced** essay of not more than 1,000 words on the topic:

"What does equity mean to you and how will it impact today's youth as they become the next generation of workers in Canada? Why should the labour movement take a strong stance in fighting for equity? What issues of inequality must be priorities for our society? Feel free to draw from your own experiences."

Please return Application Form and required documents to Sylvia Stewart at the OFL by e-mail or regular mail:

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