



2023 For the **Love** of Curling Scholarships Eligibility and Frequently Asked Questions

Thanks to the generosity of the curling community across the country, Curling Canada is thrilled to be offering scholarships to young curlers pursuing their secondary education in the 2023-2024 academic year.

The 2023 Scholarships will be offered as follows:

Ten \$2,500 scholarships that will be awarded to curling athletes who best demonstrate athletic and academic prowess as well as community leadership.

One \$2,500 scholarship, presented by the Governor General's Curling Club, that will be awarded to a curling athlete who best demonstrates athletic and academic prowess as well as community leadership.

General Information:

The “For the Love of Curling” Scholarship Program is intended for young Canadian athletes who excel in curling, maintain a good level of academic standing and demonstrating a strong commitment to their community through involvement in coaching, instructing and volunteer activities. The purpose is to give talented junior curling student athletes the support to pursue their curling and academic dreams.

Please read the **Eligibility and Frequently Asked Questions**, in its entirety, prior to applying.

Eligibility:

- Applicant must be a Canadian citizen.
- Students must be 22 years old or younger by December 31, 2023 (year of applying).
- Applicants must be enrolled full-time for at least two semesters in a Canadian university or college (Fall/Winter/Summer). Note: Students enrolled at a private post-secondary institution (i.e. private vocational colleges) may not qualify. Each school and application will be individually evaluated. Please contact the Curling Canada Foundation before applying if you are unsure if your school qualifies.
- Applicant must have a minimum grade average of 70% or equivalent grade point average (GPA).
- Previous recipients of the For the Love of Curling Scholarship are NOT eligible to apply again.



Criteria for Awarding Scholarship:

Selection will be based upon:

1. Curling Achievements, Development and Contributions;
2. Community Volunteerism and Leadership;
3. Academic Achievement.

As the National Sporting Organization for curling in Canada, emphasis will be placed on athletes who have competed at the provincial/territorial level or higher, and who have maintained a good level of academic standing, while showing a strong commitment to their community through involvement in volunteer leadership activities.

How to Apply for a Scholarship:

1. Create an online portal user profile and password at curling.ca/foundation/youth-scholarships
2. Complete all online portal application steps and upload all required supporting documents, including:
 - a. Letter of Agreement
 - b. Personal essay (maximum 2 pages) on the topic as outlined within the scholarship application.
 - c. Two letters of reference
 - d. Most recent high school or university transcript.
 - e. Head and shoulders photo (high resolution).

Application Deadline:

The application deadline is **11:59 PM (Eastern Time) on June 26, 2023**. Successful applicants will be notified no later than August 30, 2023.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Number of Scholarships: Historically there have been ten scholarships awarded. With thanks to the generous support from the Governor General's Curling Club, from 2021 onwards, there are eleven scholarships awarded.

Value of Scholarships: The eleven scholarships awarded in 2023 will have a value of \$2,500 each.

Award Components: The successful applicants will be reimbursed for \$1,250 in curling expenses and \$1,250 in academic expenses. All expenses must be submitted with receipts and received at the Curling Canada national office no later than March 30, 2024.



Qualified Expenses:

Qualified curling expenses include entry fees to curling competitions and curling-related expenses such as; league dues, travel, accommodation, medical (chiropractor, massage therapist, physiotherapist, sports psychologist), equipment, training and skills development (fitness membership).

Qualified education expenses include tuition and fees required to enroll at an eligible educational institution. Course-related expenses such as books, supplies and equipment that are necessary to complete courses also qualify.

**For any further questions please contact Curling Canada at:
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