

Administrative Procedure 370 – Appendix A

GEORGE MONSMA SCHOLARSHIP

Background

George Monsma was a Division trustee from the Peers/Rural Edson subdivision who served the Board from 1960 to his death in 1974, including several terms as Board Chair. The George Monsma Scholarship is awarded annually to the graduating student who best exemplifies those qualities of good citizenship that Mr. Monsma personified.

Funding

The George Monsma Scholarship was established by donations from the Monsma family and the Monsma Family Foundation has pledged to continue to support the scholarship with donations.

The Board has, by resolution (141/92), established a contribution of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to the fund in the memory of a staff member who passes while an employee of the Division.

Criteria and Selection

Each high school in the Division will select one student to receive the George Monsma Scholarship each year. Recipients for the scholarships shall:

1. In Social Studies 10, 20 and 30, show exceptional interest, engagement and involvement;
2. Exhibit a general awareness of current local, provincial, and federal issues;
3. Be effective in both verbal and written communication;
4. Demonstrate, through their behavior, in and out of school, that they act in accordance with generally accepted rules of good citizenship; and
5. Demonstrate leadership capabilities both in the school and in the community.

The School Leadership Team shall select the successful candidate from their high school in September after graduation.

Award

The amount of the scholarship award will be set at **five hundred dollars (\$500.00)** for one recipient at each high school within the Division. The award amount is effective commencing the 2021-2022 school year until contribution from the Monsma Family Foundation are exhausted.

Reference: Section 31,33,52,53,197,222 Education Act
Alberta Human Rights Act

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