



## SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY PROGRAM 2025

### SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

10 AVAILABLE \$2,000

### BURSARY AWARDS

5 AVAILABLE \$1,000

**OPENS: JUNE 26, 2025**  
**CLOSES: AUGUST 15, 2025**

APPLY AT [WWW.MMCORPORATION.CA](http://WWW.MMCORPORATION.CA)

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# Mi'gmawei Mawiomi Business Corporation Scholarship and Bursary Program 2025

## Guidelines & Application

The Mi'gmawei Mawiomi Business Corporation (MMBC) is proud to present a scholarship and bursary program to support students who are achieving academic success and are financially in need of assistance. The MMBC acknowledges the importance of education for our First Nation members and, therefore, has developed a program to help students achieve their academic goals.

Below are the program awards available this year:

- **Limited 10 Scholarship awards of \$2,000 per student**
- **Limited 5 Bursary awards of \$1,000 per student**

**NOTE:** The Scholarship and Bursary Program is only available to registered band members from the communities of Gesgapegiag, Gespeg, and Listuguj. Additionally, the program has transitioned to a competitive process, resulting in a limited number of scholarships and bursary awards. This means that the scoring process has also changed, so please submit your best application. Lastly, we've changed how the awards will be disbursed if you are selected; see information below.

### Application Deadline:

- Deadline to submit your application: **August 15, 2025 at 12:00 p.m. (noon) EST.**
- The application must include all supporting documents in a single submission. Please do not send multiple files. Only submit when you have everything ready.
- Submit documents that are clear and easy to read. Please scan your documents into a digital format, if possible. Any blurry or unreadable documents may delay or deny your application.
- Download, fill, and submit your application by email to [info@mmcorporation.ca](mailto:info@mmcorporation.ca).
- Late or incomplete applications may not be accepted.

### Eligibility:

- The **Scholarship Program** is meant for students who are in good academic standing and achieving a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 (B average) or higher and demonstrate a financial need.
- The **Bursary Program** is designed for vocational students and those who demonstrate financial need.
- Scholarship and bursary applications are open to all First Nation students who are members of one of the three Mi'gmaq communities: Gesgapegiag, Gespeg, or Listuguj.
- Eligible applicants that will be considered are:
  - students who graduated from high school and are furthering their education; or
  - students who will be attending or continuing vocational training; or
  - students who will be attending or continuing college education; or
  - students who will be attending or continuing university education.
- College and University students must be attending an approved educational institution on a full-time basis. Please contact us if you are unsure if your institution is approved.
- Vocational students are eligible to apply for the bursary program.
- Each applicant may only apply for **one** fund: either a scholarship or a bursary.
- MMBC employees and board/committee members are not eligible for this program.

## Award Disbursement

If you are selected for an award, your award will be divided into two payments. Half will be provided shortly after being selected for an award, and the remaining half will be provided before December 31<sup>st</sup>. To receive the second half of your award, you must provide proof of completion for the previous semester and proof of registration for the following semester. If your program ends before December 31, please notify us so we can modify your award disbursement accordingly.

EVALUATION CRITERIA		
<b>Scholarship</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See Appendix A: How Applications Are Scored</li> </ul>	<b>Bursary</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See Appendix A: How Applications Are Scored</li> </ul>	
APPLICATION DOCUMENT CHECKLIST		
	Supporting Documents	Details
<input type="checkbox"/>	Application Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fully completed form including signatures and dates</li> <li>All information is accurate and clearly written/typed</li> <li>If sending by email, ensure clearly scanned application forms in PDF file format</li> <li>Refer to Appendix for application scoring guide</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Essay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>500 to 1,000 words, (1 to 2 pages, typed, double spaced)</li> <li>What message would you share with younger Indigenous youth about education, identity, and resilience?</li> <li>Refer to Appendix for essay scoring guide</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Latest transcripts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unofficial or official transcripts from your most recent school year</li> <li>Envelopes do not need to be sealed</li> <li>Not applicable for vocational students</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter of acceptance/enrollment at Post-Secondary Institution or Vocational Training Institution/Facility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An acceptance letter is required if going into a new institution/facility</li> <li>Returning students must submit a letter of enrollment that states you are considered full-time</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter from your educational funding sponsor, if applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide a letter from your funding sponsor ie) Band Office Educational Department, that confirms your program funding is approved for the coming year</li> <li>If you do not have an educational funding sponsor, then ignore this section</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Copy of Native status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Copy of your status card (front and back). If you do not have a status card, obtain a written letter from your Band to confirm your membership</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Copy of void cheque	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Copy of a void cheque to where you would like your funds deposited, in case you are selected for an award</li> </ul>

PERSONAL INFORMATION		
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name
Full Mailing Address		
Unit/Apt #	City	Province
Postal Code	Home Phone	Cell Phone
Email Address		
Which First Nation Community are you a member of?	Note: The Scholarship and Bursary Program is only available to registered band members from the communities of <b>Gesgapegiag, Gespeg, and Listuguj.</b>	
POST-SECONDARY, VOCATIONAL TRAINING, HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION		
When did you graduate from high school or what was your highest grade completed? Year:                      or                      Grade:		
Area of Study: <div style="display: flex; flex-wrap: wrap;"> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Business</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Health</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Sciences</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Arts</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Fine Arts</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous Studies</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Social Work</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Education</div> <div style="width: 33%;"><input type="checkbox"/> Engineering</div> </div>		
Please include Major, if any: _____ If vocational student, indicate area of training: _____		
Are you a returning student? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational Student If yes, state year attending (e.g. 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> ):		Expected Program Completion Date: Year:                      Month:

Indicate which Term(s) do you plan to enroll in 2025-2026:

- ☐ Fall Term (Sept-Dec) ☐ Winter Term (Jan – Apr) ☐ Summer Term (May – Aug)
- ☐ Vocational Student

Indicate which award you are applying for (select one):

☐ Scholarship      or      ☐ Bursary

Note: Vocational students may **only** apply for the bursary program.

Have you applied to your First Nation for funding?

- ☐ Yes      If Yes, ensure to obtain letter of confirmation, see check list
- ☐ No      If No, please state why:

### EMPLOYMENT

Are you currently employed?

- ☐ Yes      ☐ No

If no, how long have you been unemployed?

Years:      Months:

Name of Employer	
Annual Employment NET Income	
Length of Employment	
Job Title	
Will you be employed during the school year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

### BUDGET INFORMATION

<b>Expenses</b>	Sept- Dec	Jan – Apr	May – Aug	<b>Total</b>	<b>Income</b>	Sept – Dec	Jan – Apr	May - Aug	<b>Total</b>
Tuition & fees					Employment				
Books					Family/Personal				
Rent/Mortgage					Band/Community Living Allowance				
Utilities/Phone					Band/Community Tuition				
Food					Band/Community Books				
Transportation					Scholarships				
Child Care					Bursaries				
Clothing					Student Loan				
Other (identify)					Other (identify)				
<b>Total</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	<b>Total</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$

Explain any special budget circumstances:

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Please describe your career goals:

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How did you hear about MMBC Scholarship and Bursary Program?

☐ MMBC Website
 ☐ Facebook
 ☐ First Nation
 ☐ Friend/Family
 ☐ Other

### **Collection, Use, and Disclosure of Information**

By submitting this application, I confirm that the information provided is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the Mi'gmawei Mawiommi Business Corporation (MMBC) will collect and use this information for the following purposes:

- To determine my eligibility for the MMBC Scholarship and Bursary Program
- To contact me regarding my application and potential future employment, training, or scholarship opportunities
- To administer and process the scholarship or bursary if I am selected

I give permission to MMBC to collect, store, and review my personal and academic information in accordance with applicable privacy practices.

I agree to allow MMBC to publicly announce my name and display my photograph if I am selected for an award.

If I am under the age of 18, I confirm that a parent or legal guardian has reviewed and signed this agreement on my behalf.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



## **How Applications Are Scored**

This appendix outlines the scoring criteria used by the MMBC Selection Committee to evaluate applications for the Scholarship and Bursary Program. Applicants are encouraged to review these criteria carefully when preparing their submissions. Each application is scored out of 100 points.

### **Scholarship Applicants – Scoring Breakdown (Total: 100 points)**

**GPA:** Up to 25 points – Based on academic achievement from your latest transcripts. A GPA of 3.0 (B average) is the minimum.

**Essay:** Up to 40 points – Evaluated for addressing the essay question, clarity of goals, originality, structure, community impact, grammar, and purpose.

**Financial Need:** Up to 15 points – Determined by your submitted budget, income, and stated financial circumstances.

**Alignment of Career Goals with Funding Need:** Up to 10 points – Determines how well your funding request aligns with your education and future goals.

**Application Completeness:** Up to 10 points – All documents submitted, accurate, clear, and on time.

### **Bursary Applicants – Scoring Breakdown (Total: 100 points)**

**Essay:** Up to 40 points – Evaluated for addressing the essay question, clarity of goals, originality, structure, community impact, grammar, and purpose.

**Financial Need:** Up to 30 points – Determined on your submitted budget, income, and explanation of financial circumstances.

**Career Relevance (Vocational Path):** Up to 10 points – How well your chosen training aligns with your future career.

**Alignment of Career Goals with Funding Need:** Up to 10 points – Determines how well your funding request supports your educational and career objectives.

**Application Completeness:** Up to 10 points – All documents submitted, accurate, clear, and on time.