



ROTARY CLUB OF SOOKE SCHOLARSHIP

INFORMATION

The Rotary Club of Sooke offers three annual scholarships of \$2000 to students graduating from Grade 12 and living in Sooke. The **Stewart Youngson Academic Scholarship** is for students entering a degree program at a recognized¹ university or college. The **Faith Jacobsen Vocational Scholarship** is for students entering a technical program at a recognized college, university or trade institute. The **Jane Thomson Memorial Bursary** is to provide financial support to a student pursuing a trade or apprenticeship program. The scholarships are awarded following proof of registration with \$1000 paid in the first year and a further \$1000 paid on successful completion of first year and on proof of registration in second year. The scholarship must be initiated within 24 months from the time of being awarded.

Eligibility

1. Applicants are residents of Sooke.
2. Academic Standing:
 - a. For the **Stewart Youngson Academic Scholarship**, candidates will have maintained a consistently strong academic standing through Grades 11 and 12 (GPA 3.5+).
 - b. For the **Faith Jacobsen Vocational Scholarship**, candidates will have maintained an excellent academic standing in subjects related to their chosen field.
 - c. For the **Jane Thomson Memorial Bursary**, candidates must demonstrate a financial need and a commitment of a valid trade or apprenticeship program in B.C.
3. In order to qualify for either scholarship, the applicant must:
 - Demonstrate leadership abilities through participation in extra curricular activities and community service
 - Demonstrate the relationship between their qualifications and personal or career goals and the Object of Rotary².
 - Provide reference letters from a teacher to support their academic qualifications and from a community service organization
 - Provide a cover letter that speaks to their career goals and their qualifications for this scholarship/bursary.
 - The handwritten application must be submitted by May 1st of each year to the senior counsellor at Edward Milne Community School or to the Rotary Club of Sooke at P.O. Box 515.

¹ recognised by the BC Ministry of Advanced Education as "designated" – updated list is available at <http://finaid.est.gov.bc.ca/designatedschools>

² The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.
2. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.



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APPLICATION

I am applying for the:

- ☐ Stewart Youngson Academic Scholarship
- ☐ Faith Jacobsen Vocational Scholarship
- ☐ Jane Thomson Memorial Bursary

Please print.

FULL NAME: _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS (if different) _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ OTHER: _____

SCHOOL(S) ATTENDED LAST 3 YEARS: _____

INSTITUTION YOU PLAN TO ATTEND:

PROGRAM:

INTENDED FIELD OF STUDIES: _____

This application must be accompanied by:

1. A letter in your own handwriting outlining:
 - 1.1. The reasons why you feel you would be a worthy recipient of this scholarship including how you have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in extra curricular activities and community service and how your service relates to the Object of Rotary.
 - 1.2. Your personal or career goals and the steps to be taken toward their realization.
2. Your current resume
3. Two letters of reference:
 - 3.1. one from a teacher who has taught you
 - 3.2. one from a community service organization for whom you have volunteered
4. An official secondary transcript of your Grade 11 marks and all marks assigned during the Grade 12 year up to and including the last report card.
5. Scholarship recipients and their guardians, give permission to the Rotary Club of Sooke to use their Grad photo in future Rotary only press releases and promotions.