

NORTHERN ALBERTA DEVELOPMENT (NAD) BURSARY PARTNERSHIP WITH FORT VERMILION SCHOOL DIVISION (FVSD)

Bursary Overview

This Bursary Partnership encourages local students who have graduated from a FVSD school to return to the region upon post-secondary graduation.

Student Eligibility

Student candidates **must** meet the following criteria:

- Have been a resident of Alberta for 12 consecutive months before the start of your program and graduated from a FVSD school.
- Applicants' with demonstrated financial need will be considered; however, suitable applicants without financial need may still receive funding. Students are not eligible if they are receiving employment insurance and may not be eligible if they are receiving a training allowance during their studies.
- Commit to live and work in the FVSD boundaries for a specified amount of time upon graduation.
- Have reasonably good prospects for employment in the FVSD boundaries after graduation.
- Demonstrated a commitment to community and education.
- Demonstrated community involvement.
- Students cannot receive both the NAD Bursary and the Partnerships Bursary during the same school year.
- Students can receive more than one Partnerships Bursary; however, the total matching funds from NAD cannot exceed \$3,500 in the same academic year.
- Students must be enrolled in a post-secondary institution that is designated by Alberta Advanced Education.
- Students must not be in default of a provincial student loan.

Return Service Commitment

Every student selected to receive a Partnership Bursary must sign a return service agreement with Alberta Advanced Education for the NAD which commits the student to live and work in northern Alberta upon graduation. Return service is one full-time month (or equivalent) for each \$500 of total bursary support, for example: 4 full-time months for a combined \$2,000 bursary.

The Application must include:

- Bursary Partnership Program Student Application.
- A personal statement indicating career goal, community involvement, demonstrated leadership and express why living in the north is important to him/her.
- Students may receive a bursary each year to a maximum of four years, but must apply each year.
- **The deadline for receipt of applications is the first Friday in June.** Submit applications to the following address:
Fort Vermilion School Division
P.O. Bag 1
Fort Vermilion, AB T0H 1N0
Fax: 780-927-4625
E-mail: darleneb1@fvsd.ab.ca

Bursary Amount

- The amount of the combined bursary is \$2,000 and 15 bursaries will be awarded.
- Bursaries will be awarded following confirmation of enrollment in second semester studies for first year applicants. In subsequent years, bursaries will be awarded upon receipt of confirmation of attendance in first semester studies. Confirmation of enrollment will be provided by Alberta Advanced Education.
- If for some reason a bursary student does not attend the post-secondary program of the year awarded, preference will be given to this student the following year; however, this student must submit a new application.

