



Murdocca Family Literacy Bursary Description



History

The Murdocca Family Literacy Bursary honours the memory of Carmela Murdocca. This bursary will be awarded to a TCDSB secondary school graduate in order to help defray the cost of post-secondary education. As a young immigrant woman from a rural background, with family duties and responsibilities, Mrs. Murdocca was never afforded the opportunity to further her education. She always regretted this life circumstance. She strongly encouraged her children and grandchildren to continue their studies, as she believed that her lack of education had limited her opportunities in life. This bursary was established in her memory to assist a student in realizing his/her dream in further pursuing post-secondary studies in the area of English.

Bursary Description

This bursary, in the amount of \$1,000, will be awarded annually to a graduating student who requires financial assistance in order to pursue studies in the area of English at a post-secondary institution.

Criteria

Selection of the successful candidate will be based on the following criteria:

- ✓ demonstration of proficiency in the area of English studies;
- ✓ evidence of contribution to the school community;
- ✓ description of financial need and/or personal challenges; and
- ✓ acceptance into a post-secondary institution in the area of English studies.

Application Process

Application must be completed with all of the following criteria for consideration of this bursary:

- ✓ the completed and signed application form;
- ✓ a personal cover letter, which outlines contributions to the school and community; states the nature of the financial need; includes as much detail as appropriate;
- ✓ two letters of recommendation from the following: the school principal or designate, employer, coach, department head, chaplain, support staff, teacher, priest, community leader; the letter should outline contributions to the school and community, and state the nature of the financial need; and
- ✓ confirmation/evidence of acceptance into a post-secondary English program.

Selection Process

The successful candidate will be approved by the Board of Directors of The Angel Foundation for Learning, upon the recommendation of the review committee. This committee will include members of the Murdocca Family. The successful candidate will be notified in early June. Please note the cheque for the successful applicant will be written to the university, college or program, which the student will be attending.

Contact Person

For further information contact:

- Emmy Szekeres Milne at 416.222.8282. ext. 2205 or emmy.szekeresmilne@tcdsb.org



Murdocca Family Literacy Bursary Application Form



Applicant's Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
Year/ Month/ Day

Email address: _____

Secondary School: _____

Post-Secondary Institution: _____

Program of Studies: _____

Permission is granted to publish the name and photos of the successful student on print and electronic media, including both internal and external publications and sites.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Principal's Name: _____ Signature: _____

Requirements: In order to be considered for this bursary include:

- the completed and signed application form;
- a personal cover letter, which states the nature of the financial need. Include as much detail as appropriate. Include: reasons why you should be considered for this bursary; contributions you have made to your school and community in the area of English; and personal achievements including any awards;
- A letter of recommendation from **two** of the following: The school principal or designate, employer, department head, chaplain, support staff, teacher, priest; and
- confirmation of acceptance into a post-secondary English/Humanities program.

Email your completed application package to: angel.foundation@tcdsb.org, or mail to
The Angel Foundation for Learning, CEC, 80 Sheppard Ave. East, Toronto, ON, M2N 6E8.

Application Due Date: Friday, May 14, 2021