

March 20, 2019

Attn: Students Graduating from Seven Oaks School Division, June 2019

Dear Graduating Student,

Seven Oaks Teachers' Association is offering **five** scholarships to those of you who are planning to enter a post-secondary program of study leading to teacher certification in Manitoba. Each scholarship is worth one thousand dollars.

Applicants are required to submit a **500-word essay** detailing their future goals and suitability for the teaching profession. **This essay should focus primarily on why you want to work in education as a classroom teacher or clinician (school social work, school psychology, or school speech and language pathologist).** As well, the essay may make reference to the following:

- *i)* The applicant's interest and ability in academic studies
- ii) The applicant's participation in school activities; for example athletics, drama, clubs, etc.
- iii) The applicant's involvement in leadership activities in the school; for example student council, volunteer activities, etc.

Applicants will also submit the following along with their essay:

iv) Three letters of reference, including one from a SOTA member¹ from the student's high school.

Please exclude any information that may identify which school you attend. This includes avoiding the use of school letterhead, the names of programs that are specific to your school, or any reference to other unique identifiers.

The deadline for the receipt of these essays will be 4 pm on **Friday, May 3, 2019.** Please forward all essays and letters of reference to the SOTA Scholarship Selection Committee, BZERC at 375 Jefferson Avenue.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

Lindsay Brown, Member at Large

Scholarship Selection Committee Chair, Seven Oaks Teachers' Association

¹ Classroom teacher, student support, advisor, counsellor, principal or vice-principal, or school clinician