



INFUSION Canada Bursary Program APPLICATION GUIDELINES

About the Bursary Program

INFUSION Canada is looking for a young cancer patient or survivor who has dreams of completing a post secondary education, but struggles financially. The ideal candidate is eager to share their story with others and spread awareness about childhood cancer. We value a willingness to volunteer and help other young cancer patients and survivors in communities across Canada.

A profile of each bursary recipient will be published in the INFUSION Canada Newsletter. Recipients' profiles will also be featured on the INFUSION Canada website, accompanied by a photo. Recipients may also be invited to be part of promotional events, publications, and news stories.

As a bursary recipient, you will receive the following support from INFUSION Canada:

- Payment of \$2,000 made directly to your post-secondary institution to offset tuition fees
- Information from INFUSION about support programs and fundraising events for cancer patients and survivors

We thank all applicants for their interest in the INFUSION Canada Bursary Program. Please visit us at <http://www.infusioncanada.org/survivorship/index.html> to join the INFUSION Canada Cancer Survivor Network and to find out more about other programs offered by INFUSION Canada.

Instructions & Deadlines

Applicants may send in completed applications via email to bursaries@infusioncanada.org or by mail. Applications must be received by March 1, 2010. Please review the Application Checklist carefully before submitting your application package – late and/or incomplete applications will not be considered.

All paper letters (reference letters, medical note, letter of interest, and letter from the registrar) must be post marked by March 1, 2010. They can be scanned and emailed or mailed to:

INFUSION Canada
Bursary Program
P.O. Box 46002
College Park, 777 Bay St
Toronto, Ontario
M5G 2P6

Decisions will be made and successful applicants notified by mid April. Bursary payouts will be available the beginning of the 2010-2011 School year.

To be eligible for the INFUSION Canada Bursary Program, applicants must:

- Be a childhood cancer patient or survivor (written verification from your doctor will be required to provide proof of diagnosis – see *Application Checklist* for more details)
- Be enrolled in a post secondary program at a Canadian College or University as of January 2008 (proof of registration required)
- Be a Canadian citizen or landed immigrant and a permanent resident of Ontario
- Demonstrate financial need by completing the Budget Form provided
- Complete and submit the Bursary Application Form by March 1, 2010. Late and/or incomplete applications will not be accepted under any circumstance.

*Note: An individual can receive the bursary only **once** during their post secondary education. If you are not selected as a recipient, you are encouraged to re-apply in future years.*

Application Checklist

Before submitting your application, please make sure you satisfy the eligibility requirements and have completed all sections of the application, including:

- **A completed Bursary Application Form**
- **A personal letter of interest answering the following question: *How has your experience with cancer influenced your personal values and your education and career aspirations?*** (Please note that this letter is a core component of the application, and should therefore be treated as such – this letter is our way of getting to know you and should reflect your personality.)
- **TWO letters of reference:** one academic-based letter from a teacher and one character-based letter from an employer or volunteer coordinator, etc. (Reference letters from relatives will not be accepted)
- **Proof of registration at your college or university** (e.g. Letter from the registrar verifying status as a full or part-time student. If you are entering your first year, a letter of acceptance is acceptable, but must be followed up with a letter from the registrar as soon as possible)
- **A letter from your physician verifying your cancer diagnosis and the date of diagnosis** (This information will be kept strictly confidential and used by INFUSION Canada only as a means of determining applicant eligibility for the Bursary Program)
- **Completed Budget Form** (All financial information will be kept confidential and will be used by INFUSION Canada only as a means of determining applicant eligibility for the Bursary Program)



INFUSION Canada BURSARY APPLICATION FORM

Last Name		First Name	
Street Address		City, Province	Postal Code
Phone Number		Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)	
Email Address		Student Number	

Type of Childhood Cancer: _____

Date of Diagnosis: _____

Are you still undergoing Treatment? yes no

Name of High School from which you graduated: _____

Year Graduated: _____

Post Secondary School: _____

Program and Year: _____

Expected Date of Graduation: _____

Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Date

Date



Budget Form

Monthly Expenses:		Financial Resources:	
Rent (Including gas/hydro)		Personal Savings	
Utilities:		Total Yearly Earnings	
<i>Telephone</i>		Parent/Spouse Contribution	
<i>Cable</i>		OSAP	
<i>Internet</i>		<i>Canada Student Loan</i>	
Food		<i>Ontario Student Loan</i>	
Household Supplies		<i>Canada Study Grant</i>	
Transportation:		Academic Awards:	
<i>Local</i>		<i>Bursaries</i>	
<i>Trips Home</i>		<i>Scholarships</i>	
Medical/Dental (uninsured only):		Additional Government Funding	
Prescriptions		Available Line of Credit	
Clothing		Other (please specify)	
Personal Care Items			
Other (please specify)			
Subtotal of Monthly Expenses x # Months in School =			
Tuition/Activity Fees			
Books & Equipment			
Total Expenses for the Academic Year		Total Financial Resources for the Academic Year	
BALANCE (Subtract Total Expenses from Total Financial Resources):			

