

## Ontario Tire Dealers Association Academic Scholarship Program

**March 1, 2024**

The Ontario Tire Dealers Association (OTDA) announces the second year of the OTDA Academic Scholarship Program.

For the Academic year 2024, the Ontario Tire Dealers Association (OTDA) will award two (2) scholarships in the amount of \$2500.00 (per scholarship), for a total of \$5000.00 in scholarships awarded in 2024.

The OTDA Academic Scholarship Program is intended to aid and assist students and apprentices with tuition, school fees, and supplies and encourage new entries into the tire and automotive sectors.

### OTDA Academic Scholarship Program Eligibility

- i. The applicant must be a full-time employee, or an immediate family member (natural/adopted/step, or spouse) or legal ward of a person who is a full-time, permanent employee, for at least one year by a company that is a member in good standing with the Ontario Tire Dealers Association, and;
- ii. The applicant must have been accepted to attend an accredited post-secondary institution or vocational-technical school within Canada and have registered for classes for the upcoming semester or;
- iii. The applicant must be registered as an Automotive Apprentice with the government of Canada and be actively working as an automotive apprentice within the automotive sector.

### Application Details

All applications submitted must include the following:

- i. The applicant must submit a résumé, not to exceed three typewritten pages, outlining the following:
  - their education and GPA to date
  - any involvement in extracurricular activities
  - any academic honours or any community or volunteer work
    - o The applicant must also submit reference letters that confirm their involvement or achievements
    - o Reference letters cannot be from family members and must speak to the achievements of the applicant
- ii. The applicant must submit a letter from an OTDA member confirming the current employment of an immediate family member
- iii. The applicant must submit a confirmation of registration, a tentative course schedule from an accredited post-secondary institution, or proof of their registered apprenticeship in Canada.

### **Awarding of Scholarship**

A successful scholarship award winner will demonstrate the following qualities:

- i. They know their strengths and weaknesses
- ii. They show leadership and communication skills
- iii. They display passion and are driven to succeed
- iv. They have a strong sense of community and assist others
- v. They have long-term goals and a plan to achieve them

All applications will be reviewed and awarded by the OTDA Academic Scholarship Committee; scholarship recipients will be notified by August 15<sup>th</sup> of the scholarship year.

### **Application Deadline**

The application process will open on March 15<sup>th</sup>, and the application deadline is May 31<sup>st</sup> of the application year. Applications **must** be submitted to the Scholarship Committee via email and:

- **No** applications will be accepted via any other means of submission
- **No** applications will be accepted after the deadline date
- Incomplete or illegible applications will not be considered

### **Freedom of Information and Privacy**

The information collected in this application will be used for the sole purpose of assessment, evaluation, and promotion of the OTDA Scholarship Program. It will not be used for any other purposes.

**Email applications to:** [OTDAScholarship@otda.com](mailto:OTDAScholarship@otda.com)

**General inquiries can be submitted to:**

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