



OSSTF D16 T/OT

# HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

## STUDENT BURSARY

Application Form and Guidelines

The Human Rights Committee of District 16 T/OT annually distributes three bursaries (\$500 each) to YRDSB secondary school graduating students who demonstrate financial need.

**Criteria** for the bursary:

1. Must be a graduating student from a YRDSB secondary school who can demonstrate financial need. There are three bursaries to be awarded, valued at five hundred dollars each (\$500).
2. The criteria used in the selection process will be based on the following:
  - a. The completed **online application** form, including
  - b. A written personal reflection statement of 500 words addressing the following elements
    - i. A demonstration of financial need
    - ii. A description of how you have dealt with a personal situation related to Human Rights (eg. poverty, racism, sexuality, religion, disability, harassment, etc.)
    - iii. A response to the following question: Moving forward, in your opinion, what is the best strategy to assist other students dealing with a similar human rights related concern?
  - c. A **strong** recommendation based upon character and financial need from a supporting YRDSB teacher. This will be submitted online via the OSSTF member recommendation form on the D16 website.

**Award Presentation:**

Applicants will be processed by the Human Rights Committee, and each winning candidate will be notified and announced by the end of April. Successful bursary award recipients will be formally acknowledged as a D16 T/OT Human Rights Award recipient at their Commencement Ceremony by the schools Human Rights Representative or Branch President.

**Deadline:**

Completed application forms, including the completed teacher recommendation must be completed by March 31st of each school year.