

# BNC GUIDANCE

WEEKLY UPDATE

September 15

## Welcome Back!

Welcome back Vikings! We looking forward to working with you this year!

We would like to introduce our Guidance team:

**Ms. Mavor** is our first point of contact in Guidance. **You can meet her at the main desk to book appointments and ask any questions you may have.**

**Ms. Kirkpatrick** works with students whose last name begins with the letters **A-F**.

**Ms. Alexander** works with students whose last name begins with the letters **G-M**.

**Ms. Reesor** works with students whose last name begins with the letters **N-Z**.

**Ms. Turnbull** works with students who are **newcomers to Canada**, students who identify as **ESL speakers**, and our **international exchange students**.

**Ms. Beatty** is our **BNC Social Worker**.

### Important Dates

- September 21st University Applications Open (Deadline to apply is January 15th)
- September 22nd | P.A. Day
- September 30th | College Applications Open (Deadline to apply is February 1st)



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW THIS WEEK

Grade 9s	Grade 10s	Grade 11s	Grade 12s
<p>Welcome to Barrie North!</p> <p>In the near future, we will be bringing your class to Guidance for a tour of available services.</p> <p>We look forward to working with you!</p>	<p>Welcome back, Grade 10s!</p> <p>This is an important year to try new things to help you better understand yourself and your post-secondary goals.</p> <p>Be brave!</p>	<p>Interested in a SHSM (Specialist High Skills Major) program? Visit the hallway across from Room 110 to check out the new SHSM bulletin board. More info will be coming out later this month and during SHSM week!</p>	<p>Guidance Counsellors will be visiting your classes next week to provide you with an overview of the steps you need to take to reach your post-secondary goals.</p> <p style="color: red;">Grade 12 University French is back! We now have a section of FSF4U1 in Pd 4. Want to join the class? See your Guidance Counsellor!</p> <p style="color: red;">Scholarship info can be found at the end of the newsletter, the Guidance website, and the scholarship board outside of Guidance!</p>

[Click here to learn about seven differences between high school and university.](#)

Community Service Hours	Mental Health Supports
<p>Want to learn more about the Community Service Hours program? Visit our <a href="#">Guidance Google Site page here.</a></p>	<p>Need to talk to someone? Need help figuring out how to access support? See your Guidance Counsellor in Room 112. Want to learn more about community mental health support? Visit the <a href="#">SCDSB Mental Health and Well-being Resource page here.</a></p>

Visit our Guidance Google site for BNC Students!  
 You must use your SCDSB login in Chrome to access it!  
[Click here](#) to check it out.

# Post-Secondary Important Dates 2023-2024



## College

[Click here](#) to find a map of all Ontario Colleges .

Learn about **College Open Houses and virtual tours** [here](#).

### September 30, 2023

The online application is available at [ontariocolleges.ca](http://ontariocolleges.ca). The fee is \$125. The application fee includes up to 5 program choices (no more than 3 at any one college); the programs must start within the same academic year (August to July)

### The Ontario College Fair (OCF)

Enercare Centre - Hall B, Exhibition Place, Toronto

- Wednesday, October 18 – 5p.m. - 9p.m.
- Thursday, October 19– 9a.m. - 2p.m.

[Click here](#) to learn more.

### February 1, 2024

The deadline for applying to highly competitive programs. Applications received and paid for before this date will be given equal consideration by the colleges.

NOTE: Applicants for all programs are encouraged to apply before this date, as website volumes are highest at this time.

### May 1, 2024

The most common deadline for confirming offers of admission - but not the only one. Applicants should check their offers of admission for exact deadline dates.

### June 1, 2024

The earliest date that colleges may require payment of tuition fees.

## Workplace

**Planning to work next year?**

Get in touch with the Career Centre at the Bayfield Mall (320 Bayfield Street)

- 705-725-8990, ext. 45200
- [info@barriecareercentre.com](mailto:info@barriecareercentre.com)
- [www.barriecareercentre.com](http://www.barriecareercentre.com)

### Youth Job Connection

Get paid while receiving training in employment skills and learn how to apply to jobs. [Click here](#) to learn more.

### Apprenticeships in Ontario

[Click here](#) to learn all about apprenticeships in the Trades!

Plan on taking a Gap year next year? [Click here](#) to learn more about what that might be like.

## University

OUAC (Ontario University Application Centre) has launched the **Ontario Universities' Info** with updated information for 2024 admission.

### CENTRAL Regional University Fair

November 16th, 2023 10am & 5pm  
Nottawasaga Inn Resort & Conference Centre, Alliston

[Click here](#) to learn more.

### Ontario Universities' Fair (OUF)

October 21-22, 2023, from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Metro Toronto Convention Centre

[Click here](#) to learn more.

### Ontario Universities Virtual Information Sessions

Tuesday, September 26th  
Wednesday, November 22nd  
5-7pm

[Click here](#) to learn more.

### January 15, 2024

The deadline for Ontario high school students to submit their completed applications to OUAC.

**May 29, 2024** The latest date all high school applicants who submitted their application by the January application deadline can expect a response from an Ontario university.

### June 3, 2024

The earliest date an Ontario high school student may be required to respond to an Ontario university offer of admission and give a financial commitment (e.g., registration deposit, residence deposit, etc.).



## Join the Simcoe New Mentality

# YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**When:** 2nd and 4th Tuesday of Every Month  
(September-June) 6:30-8pm

**Where:** Barrie Common Roof or Zoom

**Ages:** 13-25



### What's in it for you?

- \$25 per meeting & snacks
- Volunteer service hours
- Build skills & experience
- Letter of reference provided
- Have impact and create change

For more information, email  
[youthengagement@newpath.ca](mailto:youthengagement@newpath.ca)



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[simcoe.new.mentality.yac](#) Are you a youth between ages 13-25 in Simcoe County that is dedicated to creating change in the mental health system and beyond? If so, this opportunity might be for you! Email [youthengagement@newpath.ca](mailto:youthengagement@newpath.ca) for more information!  
#mentalhealth #mentalhealthmatters  
#childandyoungmentalhealth #youthmentalhealth  
#simcoecounty

# Explore Your Future

Study in Canada or abroad



SUNDAY  
**OCT.**  
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**Metro Toronto  
Convention Centre**

North Building

**Fair Times :** 1 pm - 5 pm

**Seminars :** 12 pm - 5 pm

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Now!

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The logo for Youth United, featuring a stylized green figure with arms raised above the text "Youth United" in a blue, rounded font.The logo for United Way Centraide Simcoe Muskoka, featuring a circular icon with hands and the text "United Way Centraide Simcoe Muskoka" to its right.A large version of the Youth United logo, with the green figure and blue text centered on the page.

DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY?

United Way Simcoe Muskoka's Youth United is an entirely youth-driven program for youth ages 15-30 that provides one-time micro-grants to help support youth-led projects in the County of Simcoe, the District of Muskoka or the Town of the Blue Mountains.

This year, the Youth United program is funded by Canada Service Corps (CSC). A funding pot of \$105,000 is available to provide youth with micro-grants up to \$5,000 each to support small-scale innovative youth-led community service projects.

There are two opportunities available for youth and another for Community Service Organizations to get involved in the program.

To learn more about these opportunities, please read the [program guidelines here](#).



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**barrienativefriendshipcentre** Join BNFC for our autumn equinox hosted at Dorian Parker Centre (Sunnidale Park). We invite community to bring your sacred items and bundles to feast as we transition into a new season or simply come to learn more about the autumn equinox. We will be also retiring the BNFC big drum as we prepare to welcome and birth a new drum for BNFC. Teachings, corn soup & scone will be provided. All are welcome! Please Contact Meghan Cote or Edna Carswell for any inquiries. [m.cote@bnfc.ca](mailto:m.cote@bnfc.ca) or [e.carswell@bnfc.ca](mailto:e.carswell@bnfc.ca)

Don't miss the opportunity

# SHORT VIDEO CONTEST

**THEME**

**ACCOUNTING: A CIRCULAR ECONOMY**

*Create a short video, up to 3 minutes,  
inspired by our theme and submit  
your video for your chance to win!*



*and the opportunity to attend the symposium  
at Brock University with one of your teacher*

**THIS CONTEST IS OPEN TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS  
(IN GRADES 9 TO 12 INCLUSIVE) IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.**

For complete contest rules, see the next page, or scan the QR code

**SCAN ME**



**SUBMISSION DEADLINE | OCT 13, 2023 BY 3 PM**



# Short video contest CONTEST RULES

As a circular economy is an important component of sustainability and slowing climate change, this year Brock University's CPA Ontario Centre for Public Policy and Innovation in Accounting (CPA-CPPIA) is holding an academic symposium on the role of accounting in a circular economy.

How can students contribute to a circular economy in their homes, schools, or communities? Brock's CPA- CPPIA wants your input! Students can work in a group of up to three (3) to create and record a short video clip (no longer than 3 minutes) that focuses on certain issue regarding a circular economy, or addresses solutions to the existing problem.

## PRIZES

### **\$1,000 CASH PRIZE**

with the opportunity to attend the symposium at Brock university on November 3, 2023, with one teacher.

## VIDEO FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

- Must be no longer than 3 mins
- Posted on Youtube as an unlisted video
- Addresses our theme
- Adheres to Youtube's terms of service

## DID YOU KNOW?

There are three principles in a circular economy: The first looks at how to preserve our natural resources as much as possible and reduce waste and pollution; the second principle aims to optimize the usage of any item or product that we buy or use by regenerating, sharing or even looping the item back into the cycle for reuse; the last principle promotes the minimization of waste and leakage from the production system, which may relate to energy, water use, or the material itself.

## STEPS TO SUBMIT

In an email to our team include the following details: (1) Place the Youtube link in the body of the email.

- (2) Provide contact information in your email, including
- your name, email and phone number,
  - your teacher's name, email and phone
  - number your school's name and address.

Send to:

**[accounting@brocku.ca](mailto:accounting@brocku.ca)**

Our committee will select one winner for the video contest among all eligible entries received during the contest period. Winners will be announced **by 3PM on October 17** through email and our website. Our committee will select the winners based on the following criteria:

- Demonstration of, and adherence to, the theme
- Creativity
- Originality
- Entertainment value; and
- Presentation quality/clarity



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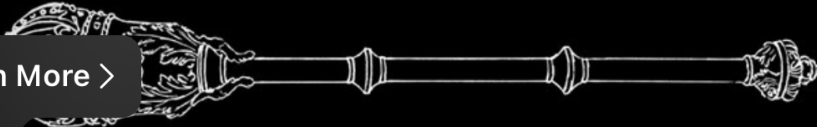


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<http://ow.ly/h5FE50JNXMA>





The **Loran Award** supports promising young Canadians who show strength of **character** and a commitment to **service** in their communities, challenging them to fully realize their **leadership** potential. In 2023-24, the Loran Scholars Foundation will offer up to 160 financial awards funding studies on Canadian campuses at the following three levels:

## LORAN AWARDS

With the support of a national network, up to 36 Loran Scholars are provided with: an annual stipend and tuition waiver to enable their capacity and availability to engage with and contribute to their new communities; a comprehensive, thoughtfully-developed leadership enrichment program including a variety of summer work experiences, immersive learning in different parts of Canada and abroad, skills and capacity building; membership in a community of values-driven individuals, including a diverse network of past and present scholars, one-on-one mentoring, and annual retreats and forums for high-potential youth to interact and learn from one another.

- Loran Scholars may pursue undergraduate studies at the following universities only:  
Alberta, British Columbia (UBC), Calgary, Dalhousie, Guelph, King's, Laval, McGill, McMaster, Manitoba, Memorial, Montréal (UdM), Mount Allison, New Brunswick (UNB), Ottawa, Queen's, Saskatchewan, Sherbrooke, Simon Fraser, Toronto (UofT), Toronto Metropolitan, Waterloo, Western, Victoria, York.
- Loran Scholars must meet university and program admission requirements. To renew the award, Loran Scholars must maintain a B+ (77%) CPGA under a full course load, live independently, including in university residence for the first year of study, and demonstrate growth in character, service, and leadership.

## FINALIST AWARDS

Up to 54 one-time awards valued at \$6,000 offered to finalists not selected as Loran Scholars for use at any public Canadian university.

## PROVINCIAL & TERRITORIAL AWARDS

Up to 70 one-time awards valued at \$2,000 offered to top candidates chosen by interview committees, for use at any public Canadian university.

### Eligibility criteria for high school students

#### ELIGIBILITY

##### Eligibility criteria for high school students

- Be graduating from high school in 2024.  
*Note: Students who graduated in 2023 and are currently taking a gap year are eligible to apply.*
- Present a minimum cumulative average of 85%.
- Hold Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status.
- Be born between January 1, 2002 and September 1, 2008.

##### Eligibility criteria for Cegep students in Quebec

- Be in their final year of studies in Cegep before entering university.
- Present a minimum overall R Score of 29.
- Hold Canadian citizenship or permanent resident status.  
Be born between January 1, 2002 and September 1, 2008.

*Please note: Semi-final interviews are online. For students without Internet capability at home, we will work with them to secure a location where they can access the Internet. If we are unsuccessful, they will be interviewed by phone. National Selections are held in Toronto and all costs associated with travel and accommodations are covered by Loran.*

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Being a Loran Scholar has, above all else, meant meeting and interacting with a group of vastly dynamic, diverse-thinking students and leaders. Engaging with this community inspires me to rethink my certainties, think deeply about my actions, and take action in our community. In addition to the network of scholars, the opportunity to connect with staff, mentors, and supporters passionate about the potential of youth lights a fire in my heart.”

Jack Gilles, 2022 Loran Scholar

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL APPLICANTS

- 1 Review the information at [loranscholar.ca/becoming-a-scholar](http://loranscholar.ca/becoming-a-scholar) thoroughly before beginning the official application process.
- 2 The application is entirely online. You do not need to mail anything. Complete the application at [apply.loranscholar.ca](http://apply.loranscholar.ca). However, applicants without sufficient Internet bandwidth to apply online may mail in a hard copy application. Contact [info@loranscholar.ca](mailto:info@loranscholar.ca) or 416-646-2120 x100 for more information.
- 3 You will need to request a **reference** from a teacher, community member, or someone else who is familiar with your activities. The reference may not be a family member or friend.

**Note: The reference letter must be complete by the application deadline.** It can only be completed after you have finished your section of the application. Make sure you give your reference writer ample time to complete their portion of the application before the deadline. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure all elements of the application are submitted on time.

## PLEASE NOTE

The process of admission to university and residence is the sole responsibility of each applicant and is separate from the application to the Loran Scholars Foundation.

The Loran Scholars Foundation is committed to diversity and inclusion and welcomes applications from all qualified candidates. If you require accommodation in the application process, please reach out to [info@loranscholar.ca](mailto:info@loranscholar.ca).

## IMPORTANT DATES

### 2023

#### Early September

Find all the information you need to apply at [loranscholar.ca/becoming-a-scholar](http://loranscholar.ca/becoming-a-scholar).

**October 11 before 8:00 pm ET**  
**Deadline for all applications to be submitted.**

#### October 25–31

Shortlisted applicants submit a supplementary video.

#### November 22–December 15

Online semi-final interviews for shortlisted applicants. Candidates will be invited at least one week before their interview day. Interviews will be held during the day Monday to Friday.

#### Week of December 18

Semi-final results shared with candidates. 90 finalists will be invited to National Selections.

### 2024

#### February 22–25

Finalists will attend National Selections in Toronto and costs to attend are covered by the Loran Scholars Foundation.



## INQUIRIES

[www.loranscholar.ca](http://www.loranscholar.ca)  
phone: 416-646-2120 x100  
toll-free: 1-866-544-2673 x100  
[info@loranscholar.ca](mailto:info@loranscholar.ca)

## **SCHOOL NOMINATED SCHOLARSHIPS:**

Certain scholarships require that you be **NOMINATED** by your school. These are competitive scholarships. To be ELIGIBLE for the nomination, **you must write a one-page letter** stating why you should be your school's nominee.

This letter must be sent to Ms. Kirkpatrick in the Guidance Office to be considered by our Scholarship Committee (kkirkpatrick@scdsb.on.ca)

Ms. Kirkpatrick must have this letter TWO WEEKS PRIOR to the nomination due date. **LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR SCHOOL NOMINATED SCHOLARSHIPS.**

**The Lester B. Pearson Scholarship and the Loran Award are now open for applicants!  
See the Scholarship Board or the Guidance Google Site for more info!**

## **The Lester B. Pearson Scholarship (for international students)**

**The Lester B. Pearson International Scholarships at the University of Toronto provide an unparalleled opportunity for outstanding international students to study at one of the world's best universities in one of the world's most multicultural cities. The scholarship program is intended to recognize students who demonstrate exceptional academic achievement and creativity and who are recognized as leaders within their school. A special emphasis is placed on the impact the student has had on the life of their school and community, and their future potential to contribute positively to the global community.**

**Awarded annually, these scholarships recognize outstanding students from around the world, including international students studying at Canadian high schools. This is U of T's most prestigious and competitive scholarship for international students. The Lester B. Pearson International Scholarships will cover tuition, books, incidental fees, and full residence support for four years. The scholarship is tenable only at the University of Toronto for first-entry, undergraduate programs. Each year approximately 37 students will be named Lester B. Pearson Scholars.**

### **Apply**

**To become a Pearson Scholar, you must be nominated by your school and apply to undergraduate studies at the University of Toronto. Ask your school guidance counsellor about being nominated. Once you've been nominated and have applied to the University of Toronto, you will be sent a personalized, secure link to the Lester B. Pearson International Scholarship application.**

**Pearson Scholars are students who have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement and creativity, who are accepted as leaders within their school, and who have the potential to contribute to the global community in the future. They can be distinguished from other students who may have equally high academic results by virtue of their breadth of interest, intellectual energy and impact on the life of their school and community.**

### **Eligibility**

**To be eligible to apply to the Pearson International Scholarship, you must be:**

**an international student (i.e. a non-Canadian requiring a study permit); currently in your final year of secondary school or have graduated no earlier than June 2023 beginning your studies at the University of Toronto in September 2024 (students already attending post-secondary studies cannot be considered; students starting their studies in January 2024 at another post-secondary institution cannot be considered).**

### **Application Process**

**The 2024 Competition opens in September 2023. See Mrs. Kirkpatrick in Guidance if you are interested in this scholarship.**