



FHCI

Guidance Bulletin

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For interesting news, events, post-secondary information, scholarship information and volunteer opportunities, please check out our social media:

Guidance website page www.fhci.net

Click on Departments, and then click on Guidance.



Items of Interest to all Grades

Information about Skilled Trades

Are you considering a career in the trades? It takes skill to get in, but it doesn't cost a lot to become a tradesperson, and you can earn a very good living working with your mind and your hands together.

Take a look at the comparison of cost between college, university, and the trades here: <http://bit.ly/2KZdoTm>

Check out the different kinds of trades available in Canada here: <http://bit.ly/2OUd2yp>

Watch some short and interesting videos about various trades here: <http://bit.ly/2OM8Dxq>

Free Tutoring from U of T Students

If you need a tutor's help, but don't have the money to spend, you can get free help from real university students! On a typical Saturday in the Medical Sciences Building at the University of Toronto (1 King's College Circle), high school students receive one-on-one homework help from volunteer tutors from 9:15am-11:15am and then attend an exciting hands-on learning workshop from 11:30am-12:30pm. A free light breakfast and a hot lunch will be served to all program participants after the workshop. You must sign up here:

<http://bit.ly/2khDk2n>

Attention Grade 9 and 10 students! Need help with your math homework? You can access free math tutoring online at www.TVOMathify.com You can register, and then get lots of help from Sunday to Thursday!

YMCA Summer Work Student Exchange in Quebec

For six weeks in July and August, you get to:

1. Travel to Quebec,
2. Live with a local host,
3. Practice your French,
4. Make new friends,
5. And have a full-time paid summer job!

It is an unforgettable, once-in-a-lifetime experience that is open to student 16-17 years old.

Details & Application: www.summer-work.com

Upcoming Important Info for Grads

1. **Dec 16** Last day to drop a course in Semester 1
2. **Jan 28, 2020-NOON** Last day to make changes to your semester 2 timetable
3. **Private School Courses for grade 12 students:** If you decided to take a private school course this year and didn't yet add it to the yellow sheet we got from you in September, you should come to Guidance and update your sheet. This applies to grade 12 students only.

SCHOLARSHIPS/AWARDS

Scholarship Search Website

Scholartree.ca

www.studentawards.com

www.scholarshipscanada.com

Schulich Leader Scholarship for STEM

Criteria:

- Must be applying to a program in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics (STEM)
- Applies to any one of 20 partnered Canadian universities
- Academic excellence
- Leadership experience
- Financial need
- **Must have Guidance nomination**

Value: \$80,000 for Science & Math, \$100,000 for Engineering (25 of each)

Deadline to apply in Guidance: Monday December 16th, 2019

Details/application: <https://www.schulichleaders.com/#slide-top>

Harry Arthurs Alumni Families Entrance Scholarship – York University

Criteria:

- Be the child, grandchild, or sibling to a York alum
- Minimum average 90%
- Extracurricular & leadership experience

Value: up to \$6000 per year (renewable)

Details/application: <http://www.uwindsor.ca/outstandingscholars>

Ayn Rand Institute Essay Contest

Criteria:

- Must be in grade 11 or 12
- Write an 800-1600 word essay on one of three topics, related to Rand's novel, *The Fountainhead*.
- You don't have to love the book, but you do have to be able to write a literary essay

Value: From \$50 to \$10,000

Deadline: April 30th, 2020

Details/application: <http://aynrandinstitute.ca/essay-contests/the-fountainhead/>

Volunteer Opportunities

You need to make sure that your volunteer activity is supporting a not-for-profit cause.

Check Volunteer Board in Guidance

Angel Alert Virtual Assistant Volunteer

Angel Emergency Alert Non-Profit Organization provides children, elderly and vulnerable individuals in low-income situations, who cannot afford a personal emergency device and the monthly monitoring service, by covering all or some of expenses. There are many different tasks a volunteer can choose from including blogging, social media, graphic design, and web management. This is great for those who would like to increase their skills, fill out their resume, gain volunteer hours, and help vulnerable people, all at the same time.

Details and contact info: <http://angelalert.ca/general-program-volunteers/>

Information Session Support Volunteer – Volunteer Toronto

Volunteer Toronto hosts public Info Sessions 1-2 times per month, and need volunteer support to make them run. They are looking for applicants who are willing to volunteer from 5:30 pm to 8 pm at either: North York Central Library (5120 Yonge St.) - one Tuesday each month; or Scarborough Civic Centre Library (156 Borough Dr.) - one Wednesday each month. Possible duties include: set-up and tear-down info sessions (i.e. chairs, registration table, handouts); welcome participants, aid in registration, collect feedback.

Details and contact info: https://www.volunteertoronto.ca/networking/apply_now.aspx?view=2&id=586529

Homework Club Tutor – Swansea Town Hall Community Centre

They are located in West Toronto near High Park. Our weekly Homework Club offers free tutoring and learning strategies for children in Grades 3 to 8. The program currently runs on Thursdays from 4 to 5:30 pm for about 20 weeks from October 10 2019 to May 5 2020. Volunteers may be asked to attend orientation also. The program will start up in the fall of 2020 and run into 2021, so continuing on as a volunteer with them for a longer period of time is possible and appreciated!

Details and contact info: <http://swanseatownhall.ca/sth/?p=7762>