

What is a scholarship?

A scholarship is a donation given to students interested in attending university or college.

Scholarships can be categorized based on:

- ❑ Financial Need
- ❑ Academic Recognition
- ❑ Character Recognition
- ❑ The community in which you live
- ❑ The specific program you are interested in pursuing
- ❑ Etc.

In some rare cases, such as entrance scholarships, you can automatically win money if you achieved high marks at Henry. Of course, most scholarships require you to apply for them.



Where can I go to find out what scholarships are available?

The best place to research the different types of scholarships is on the internet.



Here is a list of some excellent scholarship websites:

- ❑ www.studentawards.com
- ❑ www.hrdc.gc.ca
- ❑ www.scholarshipscanada.com
- ❑ www.fundmyfuture.ca
- ❑ www.scholartree.ca
- ❑ www.bfcn.ca

What should I do once I have found scholarships I think I could win?

- ❑ Make sure you have all the scholarship details:
 - ✓ Application deadlines
 - ✓ Criteria restrictions
 - ✓ Type of references needed
 - ✓ How is the information to be sent
- ❑ Make sure you meet all the requirements and collect supporting evidence.
 - ✓ Have tax receipts to prove financial need.
 - ✓ Prepare lists of accomplishments that you have had in the school/community.
 - ✓ Be prepared to discuss skills you have developed because of your life experiences.
 - ✓ Seek out character and professional references.

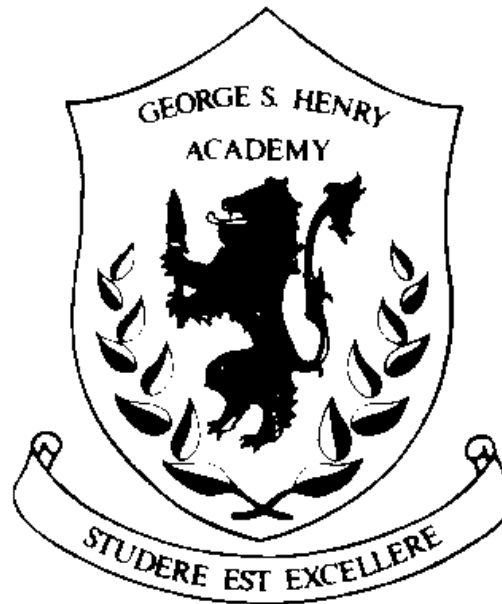
Why do I need to get references?

Many scholarships require that you submit references with your application. Usually, you will need to have two or three references.

What a reference must do depends on the individual scholarship. Some scholarships only require the person to fill out a simple checklist, while other scholarships require formal reference letters.

What makes someone a good reference?

- ❑ They have known you for at least a year.
- ❑ They are your teacher, employer, mentor, supervisor etc. (no family or friends).
- ❑ They can talk about you from a variety of perspectives (academic, extracurricular, community involvement).
- ❑ They will highlight your best qualities.



If you have any other questions or concerns, please feel free to make an appointment to see one of the school counsellors.

Good luck on your search for scholarships!

EVERYTHING YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT SCHOLARSHIPS:



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