

## **Eleanor Ritchie Post-Secondary Education Scholarship for Students with ASD – 2017**

Autism Ontario is pleased to offer the Eleanor Ritchie Post-Secondary Scholarship to students with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). This award is named after Eleanor Ritchie, a long-standing member of Autism Ontario, in recognition of her dedication and support for individuals with ASD.

This annual award is in recognition of the achievements of students with ASD. Each award consists of \$500. To qualify, a student with ASD must currently live in Ontario and be accepted in first year in any level of a post-secondary institution (e.g. college program including apprenticeships, university, post-graduate) in Canada. The successful candidate will receive their award after Autism Ontario receives proof of registration in first year of a post-secondary institution. **NOTE: Students may apply as often as they wish as long as they are entering the first year of a post-secondary program and you can only be an Autism Ontario scholarship recipient once.**

To apply for this scholarship, the candidate must submit by **May 6, 2017**, the following documentation by mail or email.

**Mail:** Autism Ontario, 1179 King Street West, Suite 004, Toronto, ON M6K 3C5

**Attention:** Eleanor Ritchie Post-secondary Scholarship Committee

**Email:** [scholarships@autismontario.com](mailto:scholarships@autismontario.com)

1. A cover letter should provide:
  - a. information about future goals
  - b. description of post-secondary course
  - c. full contact information (name, address, phone number, email address)
  - d. social security number will be required if you are awarded a scholarship (will be contacted)
2. A copy of the candidate's diagnosis from a medical/psychological professional
3. A copy of the letter of admission/proof of enrollment (such as an early acceptance letter) from a post-secondary institution.

If Autism Ontario receives more applications than we have funding to support, a lottery will be conducted. This is in consideration and respect for these individuals who all rightly deserve support for future learning.

**Your application must be received by May 6, 2017. Applications received later than this date will not be accepted. Post Secondary registration confirmation may be submitted past the deadline if a date is included with the original application on when we could expect documentation.**

For additional information email: [scholarships@autismontario.com](mailto:scholarships@autismontario.com)