



Scholarships

2026 scholarship opportunities for autistic students and students with autistic family

Eleanor Ritchie Scholarship

Scholarship for autistic students

The Eleanor Ritchie Scholarship is named after Eleanor Ritchie, a longstanding member of Autism Ontario, in recognition of her dedication and support for autistic people.

Each award consists of \$500.

What you need to apply:

1. A cover letter.
2. A copy of the applicant's diagnosis.
3. A copy of the letter of admission/proof of enrollment.

Jeanette Holden Scholarship

Scholarship for students who are siblings of an autistic person

The Jeanette Holden Scholarship is named after Dr. Jeanette Holden, a sibling of an autistic person, in recognition of her dedication and contributions to autism research.

Each award consists of \$500.

What you need to apply:

1. A cover letter.
2. A 500-word essay.
3. Academic transcripts.
4. A copy of the sibling's diagnosis.
5. A copy of the letter of admission/proof of enrollment.

MacDonald Family Scholarship

Scholarship for students with an autistic parent

The MacDonald Family scholarship is named after Carole Anne MacDonald and her family. Ms. MacDonald was the first member of the Board of Directors of Autism Ontario who has an autism diagnosis.

Each award consists of \$500.

What you need to apply:

1. A cover letter.
2. Academic transcripts.
3. A copy of the parent's diagnosis.
4. A copy of the letter of admission/proof of enrollment.



Deadline to apply is April 30, 2026

For more information or to apply, visit: <https://bit.ly/3XHlggG>

For questions, contact: scholarships@autismontario.com