



SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY PROGRAM 2026

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS
\$2,000 EACH
BURSARY AWARDS
\$1,000 EACH**

**OPENS : SEPTEMBER 21, 2026
CLOSES: OCTOBER 16, 2026**

**APPLY AT
WWW.MMBCORPORATION.CA**

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Mi'gmawei Mawiom Business Corporation Scholarship and Bursary Program 2026

Guidelines & Application

The Mi'gmawei Mawiom Business Corporation (MMBC) is proud to present a scholarship and bursary program to financially assist students whom are achieving academic success and in-need of financial assistance. The MMBC acknowledges the importance of education for our First Nation members and therefore has developed a program to help students achieve their academic goals.

Below are the program awards available this year:

- **Scholarships of \$2,000 per student**
- **Bursaries of \$1,000 per student**

NOTE: This year, we've increased the overall program budget to allow for more awards for our members. We have not set a limit on the number of awards, however, it may be possible that the total number awards issued, be limited due to an excessive number of applicants. However, we do not anticipate this happening. Please put your best application forward when applying.

This Scholarship and Bursary Program is only available to registered band members from the communities of Gesgapegiag, Gespeg, and Listuguj.

Application Deadline:

- Deadline to submit your application: **October 16, 2026 at 12:00pm (Noon) EST.**
- Application must have all supporting documents in one submission. Please do not send multiple files. Only submit when you have everything ready.
- Submit documents that are clear and easy to read. Please scan your documents into digital format, if possible. Any blurry or unreadable documents may delay or deny your application.
- Submit your application directly by website form (www.mmcorporation.ca) or send by email (info@mmcorporation.ca). We do not accept paper application submissions.
- Late or incomplete applications may not be accepted.

Eligibility:

- The **scholarship program** is meant for students who are in good academic standing and achieving a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 (B average) or higher and demonstrates a financial need.
- The **bursary program** is meant for vocational students and students who demonstrates a financial need.
- Scholarship and bursary applications are open to all First Nation students that are members from one of the three Mi'gmaq communities: Gesgapegiag, Gespeg, or Listuguj.
- Eligible applicants that will be considered are:
 - students that graduated from high school and furthering their education; or
 - students that will be attending or continuing vocational training; or
 - students that will be attending or continuing college education; or
 - students that will be attending or continuing university education.
- College and University students must be attending an approved educational institution on a full-time basis. The definition of full-time will be based on the educational institution you are attending. Please contact us if you are unsure if your institution is considered approved.
- Vocational students may only apply for the bursary program.
- Each applicant may only apply for **one** fund: scholarship or bursary.
- MMBC employees and board/committee members are not eligible for this program.

Award Disbursement:

If you are selected for an award, your award will be divided into (2) payments. Half will be issued shortly after being selected for an award, and the remaining half will be issued before the end of the following month, February. To receive the second half of your award, you must provide proof of completion for the previous semester, and proof a registration for the following semester. If your program ends before December 31st, then please notify us so we can modify your award disbursement.

EVALUATION CRITERIA		
<u>Scholarship</u> • See Appendix A: How Applications Are Scored		<u>Bursary</u> • See Appendix A: How Applications Are Scored
APPLICATION DOCUMENT CHECKLIST		
	Supporting Documents	Details
☐	Application Form	• Fully completed form including signatures and dates • All information is accurate and clearly written/typed • If sending by email, ensure clearly scanned application forms in PDF file format • Refer to Appendix for application scoring guide

☐	Essay	• 500 to 1,000 words, (1 to 2 pages, typed, double spaced) • How has your community shaped who you are today, and how do you hope to use your education, skills, or future career to give back or create positive change? • Refer to Appendix for essay scoring guide
☐	Latest transcripts (not applicable to bursary students)	• Unofficial or official transcripts from your most recent school year • Envelopes do not need to be sealed
☐	Letter of acceptance/enrollment at Post-Secondary Institution or Vocational Training Institution/Facility	• An acceptance letter is required if going into a new institution/facility • Returning students must submit a letter of enrollment that states you are considered full-time at your current attending institution
☐	Letter from your educational funding sponsor, if applicable	• Provide a letter from your funding sponsor ie) Band Office Educational Department, that confirms your program funding is approved for the coming year • If you do not have an educational funding sponsor, then please mention it in the special budget section below
☐	Copy of Native status card	• Copy of your status card (front and back). If you do not have a status card, obtain a written letter from your Band to confirm your membership
☐	Copy of void cheque	• Copy of a void cheque to where you would like your funds deposited, in case you are selected for an award

PERSONAL INFORMATION		
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name
Full Mailing Address		
Unit/Apt #	City	Province
Postal Code	Home Phone	Cell Phone
Email Address		Social Insurance Number
Which First Nation Community are you a member of?	Note: The Scholarship and Bursary Program is only available to registered band members from the communities of Gesgapegiag , Gespeg , and Listuguj .	

POST-SECONDARY, VOCATIONAL TRAINING, HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION	
When did you graduate from high school or what was your highest grade completed?	
Year:	or Grade:
Area of Study:	
☐ Business	☐ Health
☐ Arts	☐ Fine Arts
☐ Social Work	☐ Education
☐ Sciences	☐ Indigenous Studies
☐ Engineering	
Other: _____	
Please include Major, if any: _____	
If vocational student, indicate area of training: _____	
Are you a returning student?	Expected Program Completion Date
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Vocational Student	
If Yes, state year attending (e.g. 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th):	Year: Month:
Indicate which Term(s) do you plan to enroll in 2026-2027:	
☐ Fall Term (Sept-Dec) ☐ Winter Term (Jan – Apr) ☐ Summer Term (May – Aug)	
☐ Vocational Student	
Indicate which award you are applying for (select one):	
☐ Scholarship or ☐ Bursary	
Note: Vocational students may <u>only</u> apply for the bursary program.	
Have you applied to your First Nation for funding?	
☐ Yes If Yes, ensure to obtain letter of confirmation, see check list	
☐ No If No, please state why: _____	
EMPLOYMENT	
Are you currently employed?	
☐ Yes ☐ No	
If No, how long have you been unemployed?	
Years:	Months:
Name of Employer	
Annual Employment NET Income	
Length of Employment	
Job Title	
Will you be employed during the school year?	☐ Yes ☐ No

BUDGET INFORMATION									
Expenses	Sept- Dec	Jan – Apr	May – Aug	Total	Income	Sept – Dec	Jan – Apr	May – Aug	Total
Tuition & fees					Employment				
Books					Family/Personal				
Rent/Mortgage					Band/Community Living Allowance				
Utilities/Phone					Band/Community Tuition				
Food					Band/Community Books				
Transportation					Scholarships				
Child Care					Bursaries				
Clothing					Student Loan				
Other (identify)					Other (identify)				
Total	\$	\$	\$	\$	Total	\$	\$	\$	\$
Explain any special budget circumstances: 									
Please describe your career goals: 									
How did you hear about MMBC Scholarship and Bursary Program? ☐ MMBC Website ☐ Facebook ☐ First Nation ☐ Friend/Family ☐ Other									

Collection, Use, and Disclosure of Information

By submitting this application, I confirm that the information provided is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the Mi'gmawei Mawiommi Business Corporation (MMBC) will collect and use this information for the following purposes:

- To determine my eligibility for the MMBC Scholarship and Bursary Program
- To contact me regarding my application and potential future employment, training, or scholarship opportunities
- To administer and process the scholarship or bursary if I am selected

I give permission to MMBC to collect, store, and review my personal and academic information in accordance with applicable privacy practices.

I agree to allow MMBC to publicly announce my name and display my photograph if I am selected for an award.

If I am under the age of 18, I confirm that a parent or legal guardian has reviewed and signed this agreement on my behalf.

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Appendix A: How Applications Are Scored

This appendix outlines the scoring criteria used by the MMBC Selection Committee to evaluate applications for the Scholarship and Bursary Program. Applicants are encouraged to review these criteria carefully when preparing their submissions. Each application is scored out of 100 points.

Scholarship Applicants – Scoring Breakdown (Total 100 points)

GPA: Up to 55 points – Based on academic achievement from your latest transcripts. A GPA of 3.0 (B average) is the minimum.

Financial Need: Up to 15 points – Determined by your submitted budget, income, and stated financial circumstances.

Essay: Up to 10 points – Evaluated for addressing the essay question, clarity of goals, originality, structure, community impact, grammar, and purpose.

Alignment of Career Goals with Funding Need: Up to 10 points – Determines how well your funding request aligns with your education and future goals.

Application Completeness: Up to 10 points – All documents submitted, accurate, clear, and on time.

Bursary Applicants – Scoring Breakdown (Total 100 points)

Financial Need: Up to 55 points – Determined on your submitted budget, income, and explanation of financial circumstances.

Career Relevance (Vocational Path): Up to 15 points – How well your chosen training aligns with your future career.

Essay: Up to 10 points – Evaluated for addressing the essay question, clarity of goals, originality, structure, community impact, grammar, and purpose.

Alignment of Career Goals with Funding Need: Up to 10 points – Determines how well your funding request supports your educational and career objectives.

Application Completeness: Up to 10 points – All documents submitted, accurate, clear, and on-time.