

# David Ellis Scholarship

EVERY YEAR IN CANADA, 30 YOUNG WORKERS ARE KILLED ON THE JOB.  
ANOTHER 40,000 ARE INJURED, MANY OF THEM SERIOUSLY.

DAVID ELLIS WAS KILLED ON HIS SECOND DAY AT WORK.

HE WAS 18.



## *Why we remember David*

David Ellis was killed on his second day at work. David Ellis didn't get the chance to fulfil his dreams.

But in his memory – and in honour of all the other young workers killed or injured on the job – the United Steelworkers is making sure young workers know the risks and know their rights on the job.

During the week of April 28, the International Day of Mourning for workers killed and injured on the job, Steelworkers go into high schools across Canada to teach students about staying healthy and safe in the workplace. We run radio ads, provide print materials, use social media and encourage our members across the country to talk to and engage with students about health and safety.

That's why we've established the David Ellis Scholarship. In David's honour, we will fight to ensure all young workers come home from work healthy and safe.

## *The David Ellis Scholarship*

The David Ellis Scholarship will award **five scholarships of \$500 in each Canadian USW District** to help selected high school students continue their education at university, college or another educational institution. The David Ellis Scholarship is part of the New Worker Awareness Program.

The scholarship is only available to high school students who are the child or grandchild of a member of the United Steelworkers. Scholarships will be awarded to eligible students who write winning essays or produce videos on health and safety themes.

## *How to apply for the David Ellis Scholarship*

**SUBMISSION THEMES:** Students may submit an essay or YouTube video based one of the two following themes:

- **Spreading the word:** How I would make high school students aware of their risks and their rights in the workplace.
- **How to be a workplace survivor:** My personal experience with health and safety on the job.

When sending your essay or video by email, please ensure you select the correct privacy and permission settings to allow our scholarship panel to review your submission.

**ESSAY SUBMISSIONS:** Essays must be between 750-1,000 words (not including cover page information), in English or French, and will be evaluated for creativity, style and content. Essays must be typed and emailed (MS Word or PDF format) and must include a cover page listing the necessary Applicant Information.

**VIDEO SUBMISSIONS:** Videos must be three-to-five-minutes in length and uploaded to YouTube. The link to the YouTube video must then be submitted by email. The body of the email must include the necessary Applicant Information.

**APPLICANT INFORMATION:** Each submission must include a cover page or email with the following information:

- student's first and last name
- student's email address
- name of student's USW parent or grandparent
- student's complete home address
- name of student's high school
- number of parent or grandparent's USW Local Union (e.g., Local 6500)
- student's contact phone number

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:** Submissions for the 2021 David Ellis scholarship will **only be accepted by email** and must be received **no later than June 30, 2021**. Essays (in MS Word or PDF format) or links to YouTube videos may be sent to [dellis\\_scholarship@usw.ca](mailto:dellis_scholarship@usw.ca).

Winners will be notified by August 15, 2020. No materials submitted will be returned. United Steelworkers reserves the right to publish the winning essay or video in its publications or websites.



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