UNITED STEELWORKERS
WESTRAY POST-SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP 2020

In memory of the 26 workers killed in the Westray mine explosion in 1992, the United Steelworkers will be awarding a $2,500 scholarship to a high school student in the Stellarton area who is completing high school and pursuing post-secondary education. This scholarship was introduced in 2017 to honour the 25th anniversary of Westray.

To apply:

1) Each applicant must complete the attached application form.
2) Applicants must also submit three additional documents:
   a) Proof of acceptance to an approved institution of higher education, such as university, technological institute, nursing school, etc.
   b) A letter of recommendation from a teacher or principal.
   c) An essay or video to be posted on YouTube. Applicants may choose between two themes:
      • Determination: How has our community shown determination following the Westray disaster?
      • Lessons learned: What legacy has the Westray mine explosion left in your community?

Essays must be between 750-1000 words in French or English, and typed.

Videos must be three-to-five minutes, and posted to YouTube. The winning entries will be judged for creativity, style and content.

Essays or links to YouTube videos may be sent, along with the completed application form and letter of recommendation, to scholarships@usw.ca.

Submissions must be emailed no later than July 31, 2020. Please include “Westray Scholarship 2020” in your subject line. The winner will be notified by August 15, 2020. We reserve the right to publish the winning essay or video in United Steelworkers publications or websites. No materials submitted will be returned.

Choosing winning applications:

1) All personal identification will be removed from essay submissions and then essays will be reviewed by a qualified judge. (Please note that any evidence of plagiarism will result in disqualification. Proper citation and accreditation is expected.)
2) The awarding of scholarships will be based on:
   a. The quality of the recommendation by a teacher or principal;
   b. Creativity, style, content, and the quality of the ideas discussed in the essay or video; and
   c. Proof of acceptance to an institution of higher education.
3) The winning applicant will be asked to provide proof of enrolment before an award cheque is issued.
APPLICATION FORM
UNITED STEELWORKERS WESTRAY POST-SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP 2020

APPLICANT’S NAME: ________________________________________________________________

DATE OF BIRTH: ______________________________ PHONE NO. (__) ___________________

ADDRESS: _______________________________________________________________________

POSTAL CODE: ______________________________ EMAIL: ______________________________

HIGH SCHOOL: ______________________________ DATE OF GRADUATION: _______________

YOUR PLANS FOR FURTHER EDUCATION (use separate sheet if necessary):

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PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME: ________________________________________________________

PARENT/GUARDIAN ADDRESS: _____________________________________________________

THIS AREA MUST BE FILLED OUT BY SCHOOL OFFICIAL
RECOMMENDATION OF TEACHER OR PRINCIPAL (attach letter if more space is required):

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SIGNATURE: ______________________________ TITLE: ________________________________

NOTE: APPLICATION TO BE RETURNED WITH LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION, PROOF OF
ACCEPTANCE TO AN INSTITUTE OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND 750-1,000 WORD ESSAY OR
YOUTUBE LINK NO LATER THAN JULY 31, 2020 TO:

EMAIL: scholarships@usw.ca

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