

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: A. McBeath, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Alexander Rutherford Scholarships

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INFORMATION

The Alexander Rutherford Scholarships recognize and reward exceptional performance at the high school level and encourage students to continue their studies. Recipients must be Alberta residents who have completed high school, and have enrolled in a post-secondary program. The scholarship is based on scholastic performance in grades 10, 11, and 12 with \$400, \$800, and \$1300 awarded respectively. Students who achieve an average of 80 per cent or higher in five specified subjects receive scholarships (Appendix I).

The dollar values listed above represent a change that took effect as of April 1, 1999. These new values allow students to receive a total of \$2500 if they qualify for all three high school grades. The previous maximum value was \$1500.

Table 1 provides a comparison of the number of district students who have qualified for the scholarships for the past six years. A total of 1160 district students received Alexander Rutherford Scholarships in 2001. This is an increase of 111 students from 2000, and represents the highest number of district graduates ever receiving Rutherford Scholarships.

TABLE 1
ALEXANDER RUTHERFORD SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS: 1996 - 2001

Value of Scholarship Prior to 1999	New Value	Number of Students Receiving Scholarships					
		1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
\$ 300 grade 10	\$400	63	46	56	77	71	95
\$500 grade 11	\$800	39	54	47	72	49	40
\$ 700 grade 12	\$1300	32	25	25	31	18	31
\$ 800 grades 10, 11	\$1200	187	217	188	249	268	318
\$1000 grades 10, 12	\$1700	25	14	10	19	13	20
\$1200 grades 11, 12	\$2100	55	39	45	22	28	32
\$1500 grades 10, 11, 12	\$2500	479	494	532	537	602	624
Total		880	889	903	1007	1049	1160
% of September 30 Grade 12 Population		14.4	14.0	13.4	14.6	14.6	14.6

Appendix II provides the number of recipients and the value of scholarships received for each district high schools.

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APPENDIX I - Alexander Rutherford Scholarships for High School Achievement Eligibility Criteria

APPENDIX II - Alexander Rutherford Scholarship Recipients by School 2001

**ALEXANDER RUTHERFORD SCHOLARSHIPS FOR
HIGH SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Grade 10

Average of 80% or higher in 5 subjects:

- English 10, 13, or Français 10
- Two of the following:
 - Pure Mathematics 10 or Applied Mathematics 10 (The New Math)
 - Science 10
 - Social Studies 10
 - A language other than the one used above at the grade 10 level
- Any two other subjects at the grade 10 level including those listed above and courses created by combining any three introductory level C.T.S. Modules.

Grade 11

Average of 80% or higher in 5 subjects:

- English 20, 23, Français 20
- Two of the following:
 - Pure Mathematics 20 or Applied Mathematics 20 (The New Math)
 - Science 20
 - Biology 20
 - Chemistry 20
 - Physics 20
 - Social Studies 20
 - A language other than the one used above at the grade 11 level
- Any two other subjects at the grade 11 level including those listed above and courses created by combining any three intermediate level C.T.S. Modules.

Grade 12

Average of 80% or higher in 5 subjects

- English 30, or Français 30
- Four of the following:
 - Pure Mathematics 30 (The New Math)
 - Applied Mathematics 30
 - Mathematics 31
 - Science 30
 - Biology 30
 - Chemistry 30
 - Physics 30
 - Social Studies 30
 - A language other than the one used above at the grade 12 level.

APPENDIX II

**ALEXANDER RUTHERFORD SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS
BY SCHOOL 2001**

School	Value of Scholarship							Total		
	\$300 /\$400	\$500 /\$800	\$800 /\$1200	\$700 /\$1300	\$1000 /\$1700	\$1200 /\$2100	\$1500 /\$2500	N	%	\$
Argyll			2				1	3	1.6	\$4,900
Centre High	23	7	27	7	3	8	7	82	4.7	\$95,700
Eastglen	6	4	18				27	55	14.1	\$94,700
Edm. Christian	3		3				8	14	23.0	\$24,800
Harry Ainlay	9	5	35	3	3	3	113	171	27.4	\$343,000
J. Percy Page	3	2	12	2		1	19	39	7.5	\$68,400
Jasper Place	8	1	24	3		1	41	78	11.2	\$141,200
M.E. LaZerte	4		17	1	1		29	52	13.2	\$96,800
McNally	4	11	26	5	3	4	87	140	32.1	\$279,100
Metro Comm. College	1			1			1	3	n/a	\$4,200
Millwoods Christian		1	3				4	8	28.6	\$14,400
Old Scona		1	7	1	2	1	58	70	79.5	\$161,000
Queen Elizabeth	5		10			1	8	24	6.4	\$35,100
Ross Sheppard	2	1	46	2	4	5	93	153	24.2	\$307,200
Strathcona	14	6	31	5	4	6	81	147	31.3	\$275,300
Victoria	9	1	36	1		1	25	73	18.7	\$113,500
W.P. Wagner	4		21			1	22	48	12.2	\$83,900
Total	95	40	318	31	20	32	624	1160	14.6	\$2,143,200

N = Number of Recipients

% = Percentage of September 30 grade 12 enrolment

\$ = Dollar value of scholarships