



## 2020 CANADIAN WOMEN IN STEM SCHOLARSHIP SUMMARY

*FIRST* Canada recognizes the tremendous benefits of diversity, and since its inception in 2001 has encouraged equality and inclusion in all its programs. *FIRST* Canada and the Murai family are proud to announce the “Canadian Women in STEM Award” scholarship of \$10,000 to encourage and support high school girls who wish to pursue post-secondary education and a career in a STEM field. The ideal candidate would be someone who has demonstrated strong leadership, is fanatical about science and technology and wants to motivate positive change in the community.

The *FIRST* Canada Scholarship Committee is accepting applications for the "Canadian Women in STEM Award." Canadian female students who are team participants in the 2020 *FIRST* Robotics Competition or *FIRST*Tech Challenge program in Canada are encouraged to apply. One scholarship will be awarded per school calendar year.

### **To be eligible for the scholarship, candidates must:**

- Complete and submit the application form by January 31, 2020 date;
- Be currently enrolled, or have been enrolled, in a Canadian high school.
- Participate on a *FIRST* Robotics Competition (FRC) or *FIRST*Tech Challenge (FTC) team in Canada;
- Be eligible to enroll, and agree to enroll, as a full-time student in an accredited college or university starting no later than the fall semester of 2020; and
- Use the scholarship to pursue a major or degree program at the college or university in engineering or science.
- Be a student who is a dedicated role model in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math)

The *FIRST* Canada Scholarship Committee will select the scholarship recipients. A total of one scholarship will be awarded per school calendar year. One winner will be announced at the 2020 *FIRST* Ontario Provincial Championship.

Please review the 2020 Canadian Women in STEM Scholarship Program Materials for complete details about the scholarship.

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### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for the Scholarship, you must provide each of the following documents to the *FIRST* Scholarship Committee no later than January 31, 2020:

- Your completed application form (indicate on the form which event you/your team are attending)
- A letter of recommendation from a high school instructor from whom you have taken one or more classes
- A brief essay (no more than 500 words) in which you discuss your desire to be a STEM role model, your participation in the *FIRST* Robotics competition, and the impact of the program on your life. What sets you apart from others? Have you experienced adversity as a woman in STEM, and how did you overcome that and use it to your benefit? How are you making a difference and what is your plan to do so moving forward?
- Your official high school transcript

If you are a home-schooled student, please contact the *FIRST* Scholarship Committee for instructions on what materials you should provide in lieu of a letter of recommendation and transcript.

All materials should be mailed or emailed to *FIRST* Canada at the following address:

FIRST Canada  
P.O. Box 518  
Pickering Main  
Pickering, ON L1V 2R7  
Attn: Kim Cooper

Email: [kim.cooper@firstroboticscanada.org](mailto:kim.cooper@firstroboticscanada.org)

*FIRST* Canada will announce the recipient of the Scholarship at the 2020 *FIRST* Ontario Provincial Championship.

To receive your initial disbursement of Scholarship funds, you must send FIRST Canada, no later than the end of the second week of classes, a letter requesting the funds and confirming the college or university to which the funds should be sent.

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## APPLICATION FORM

### Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last* *First* *M.I.*

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address* *Apartment/Unit #*

\_\_\_\_\_

*City* *Province* *Postal Code*

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Education

Current High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Expected Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

### FRC/FTC Team and History

Team Name and Number: \_\_\_\_\_

What event(s) did you/will you compete at? \_\_\_\_\_

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### College/University Plans

Intended Institution  
(e.g., University of Toronto,  
Ryerson., etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Degree Program  
(e.g., Engineering, Science) \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Enrollment Date  
(e.g., Fall Semester 2020) \_\_\_\_\_

### Supporting Documents

1. Attach to this Application Form a letter of recommendation from a high school instructor from whom you have taken one or more classes.
2. Attach to this Application Form a current, official high school transcript.

3. Prepare and attach to this Application Form a typed (i.e., not handwritten) essay, of 500 words or less, discussing your participation in the *FIRST* Robotics competition and the impact of the competition on your life, and your desire to be a STEM role model.

**Disclaimer and Signature**

*By signing this Application Form, I hereby certify that: (i) all information contained in or attached to this Application Form, or provided with this Application Form, is true, accurate and complete; (ii) the attached essay is solely my work product; and (iii) to the best of my knowledge, I am not an immediate or extended family member of: (a) an officer or director of FIRST Canada.; (b) a substantial contributor to FIRST Canada; or (c) a member of the Scholarship Committee of FIRST Canada.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_