



## **ODAA Bursary Conditions for Ontario Dental Assisting Program Students**

The ODAA will grant two (2) \$1000 bursaries to students who are actively pursuing post-secondary education in an approved Ontario Dental Assistant program.

### **Bursary Eligibility**

Applicants are required to meet the criteria listed below in order to qualify for the bursary:

- Applicants must be a current member of the ODAA
- Be enrolled in an approved Dental Assistant program in Ontario
- Have received a mid-term report

### **Eligibility Criteria**

Below are criteria that will be considered in choosing the successful applicant:

- The applicant will exhibit an established academic and practical aptitude in their Dental Assistant program with at least an 80% overall average mark when the application is submitted.
- The applicant submits the completed application form before the submission deadline with compulsory supporting documents
- The applicant can adequately demonstrate dedication and commitment to the profession of Dental Assisting. This can be exhibited through active participation in academic, educational and community service activities.

### **Bursary Application Requirements**

Submission of ODAA Bursary application with the following supporting documents:

- A Dental Assistant academic transcript that includes mid-term marks or most recent marks at least two months after program commencement. Academic marks should hold at least 80% or higher in each course.
- Reference letter(s) with a recommendation from a Dental Assistant Educator in their program. This letter needs to be signed by the educator and on school letterhead with accompanying phone number of said educator.
- A letter in your own words to the ODAA selection team (approximately 500 words)
  - Please detail your motivation to apply for this bursary. Explain why becoming a Dental Assistant is important to you and how you plan to impact the Dental field in your own way. Demonstrate your commitment to the profession by outlining the ways in which you have proven yourself to be a leader and been a contributor in community events and activities.
  - Please define a financial need as part of the reason for applying for this bursary. Explain how you will benefit from this bursary if you are selected. Are there unique circumstances upon which the selection team should consider?

Application submission deadline is November 30 and May 31 annually. The ODAA will not accept any late submissions or those which are incomplete.