



Jai Durga Youth Group

Leaders in the Community Scholarship 2023

Jai Durga Youth Group – Leaders in the Community Scholarship is awarded to select students in the Greater Toronto Area who are leaders and role models in their schools and communities. We look to support young Hindu students who play an active role in the Hindu community and demonstrate a balanced life and commitment to post-secondary education.

Eligibility

Scholarship applications will be accepted from Southern Ontario students that fall into this category:

1. Students who are **starting their first year** of public post-secondary education in Canada (College or University) in September 2023.
 - For example, you are graduating from high school in 2023, and your goal is to start post-secondary education in September 2023.

Should you have any questions about eligibility, please contact Ravin Dyal (ravinsdya@gmail.com)

The Scholarship

One Scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$1000, to be used to cover educational expenses incurred by recipients. Criteria for this scholarship are as follows.

- Applicant must obtain entry to an accredited post-secondary institution within the province of Ontario.
- Applicant must be visibly active within the GTA Hindu community at large.
- Applicant must have at least a B average when in their final year of High School (min. average of 70%).
- Scholarship funds must be used within one school year from the time of receipt.

How to Apply

1. Complete Application Form
2. Obtain most- recent official transcript (scanned copy accepted)
3. Complete the essay (750 - 1000 words)

Please e-mail your completed scholarship package by **August 28th, 2023** to:
hinduyouthalliance@gmail.com - Please use "Scholarship Application 2023" as the Subject Line

Information provided in this application will be kept confidential and will only be used for the purpose of assessing the applicant's eligibility for a scholarship.

If you require further space in filling out this application please use

extra space/paper as needed.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: () _____

Email: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

1. **EDUCATIONAL HISTORY** (please attach most recent high school transcript)

2. Please indicate your planned field of study and the post-secondary institution where you plan to apply.

3. Describe what led you to choose your field of study and elaborate on your career goals.

4. Describe volunteer positions you have had, including length of time in each position.

5. Outline your extracurricular activities, interests and achievements.

6. Describe a challenging situation where you have shown leadership and/ or teamwork at school or in your community.

7. Any other relevant information.

ESSAY COMPOSITION

Please attach with scholarship application a 750-1000 word essay on the following topic;

Please discuss the following question in your essay.

How can Hindu institutions, such as mandirs, inspire future generations of youth to preserve the Dharmic practices and cultural traditions?

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I have included all required sections of application and declare all information is complete, correct, and truthful.

Date: _____ Student Signature: _____

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Consent of Parent / Guardian for applicants under age of 18:

I (print name) _____

of (address) _____

Being the parent/ guardian of person named above, I consent to the above named student applying for Jai Durga Youth Group – Leaders in the Community Scholarship and to the disclosure of personal information for use during this application process only.

Signature of Parent / Guardian: _____ Date: _____