



ENCOURAGING STUDENTS IN THE CANADIAN AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

Bestbuy Distributors Limited is an independent buying group and warehouse distributor in the automotive and heavy duty aftermarket that is owned by our member shareholders; we provide unbeatable value and service for independent distributors across Canada.

BESTBUY DISTRIBUTORS' STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Young people with bright minds and enthusiasm are the future of the Canadian automotive industry. To help launch their careers, Bestbuy Distributors has proudly established a scholarship program.

Four scholarships of \$2,500 each will be awarded to students who plan to pursue a career in the automotive industry. Two scholarships will be awarded every spring semester, followed by two additional scholarships to be awarded for the fall semester each year.

Our Program:

Scholarships will be available to students who are part of the Bestbuy family (see below) and who are currently enrolled in a Canadian university, college or technical institute or who are graduating high school and pursuing a post secondary education. The scholarship is to be used toward tuition for post-secondary education.

Students who have exceptional drive and ambition and plans to pursue a career in the automotive industry after completing a post-secondary program should submit an essay of at least 500 words to scholarships@bestbuydistributors.ca. The essay should explain who the student is and how the student plans on using a post-secondary education to incite positive change and innovation within the automotive industry. All entries must be submitted as a PDF or Microsoft Word document to be eligible for consideration and must also be accompanied by proof of current enrolment, or acceptance to an accredited Canadian university, college, technical institute or accredited automotive program.

Please submit essays by 12:00PM EST on December 15th for all spring semester applicants and by June 15th for all fall applicants. Awarded scholarships will be paid either directly to the school as a partial tuition payment, or to the student directed as a tuition payment.

Selected applicants will be notified by December 15th for spring applicants and by July 15th for fall applicants.

Who is Eligible:

Only students currently enrolled full time in a Canadian college or university, or high school seniors planning to attend a Canadian college, university or technical institute full time are eligible to be awarded a scholarship through this program.

Applicants must be part of the Bestbuy family, meaning they must be closely related to:

- a Bestbuy Shareholder principal or employee
- a Bestbuy Shareholder's customer principal or employee
- a Bestbuy employee
- a currently listed Bestbuy vendor principal or employee

Bestbuy Distributors scholarships are non renewable, however, winning applicants may re enter in the future by writing and resubmitting a new essay. Only one essay per student, per semester is allowed. Each essay must be original and must be written by the applicant.

All applicants must include some form of proof of enrolment or acceptance to an accredited Canadian college, university, technical institute or accredited automotive program, when submitting applications to scholarships@bestbuydistributors.ca.

Selection of winning submissions is entirely at the discretion of Bestbuy Distributors' selection panel. Winner(s) will be contacted by Bestbuy Distributors via the email address used for submission. Winner(s) will be confirmed ONLY after providing proof of enrolment in the form of a copy of a tuition bill OR letter of proof from the accredited Canadian post secondary school at which the winner(s) is enrolled. Upon confirmation of enrolment, winners will be publicly announced by Bestbuy Distributors and will have their scholarship either mailed directly to the school, or to the student directed as a tuition payment to the school. If no eligible submissions are received by an application deadline, Bestbuy Distributors reserves the right not to award a scholarship for that semester. Until terminated or modified by Bestbuy, this program will be offered every year and is open for submissions each spring and fall semester. Bestbuy Distributors reserves the right to modify the terms of or terminate this program at any time at its sole discretion. For additional questions or concerns, please email us at scholarships@bestbuydistributors.ca.

BESTBUY DISTRIBUTORS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM



Submission Requirements / Scholarship Checklist

Application Deadlines: November 15 (Spring Semester) June 15 (Fall Semester)

Award Amount: \$2,500

- Applicants must either be graduating high school or have graduated from high school within the past two years.
- Applicants must be enrolled in a Canadian university, college, technical institute or accredited automotive program. Students must be enrolled full-time for the semester of the scholarship. Graduate programs and undergraduate part-time programs do not qualify.
- Applicants are those pursuing a career in the automotive aftermarket.
- Applicants must be part of the Bestbuy family, meaning they must be closely related to a Bestbuy Shareholder principal or employee, a Bestbuy Shareholder's customer principal or employee, a Bestbuy employee, or a currently listed Bestbuy vendor principal or employee.

You Must Submit with this Application:

- ☐ Essay (minimum 500 words, maximum two pages, double spaced), indicating who you are, and how you are related to Bestbuy, why you believe you deserve to receive a scholarship, and how you plan to incite positive change and innovation within the automotive industry.
- ☐ If still attending high school or have graduated but not yet entered a post secondary program, a copy of your high school transcript, and acceptance letter to attend a Canadian university, college, technical institute or accredited automotive program.
- ☐ If you are attending a post secondary program, a copy of your current school transcript with official school seal.
- ☐ Recent digital photograph for use in promotional materials.*
- ☐ Letter of Recommendation and completed form below.

* By making this application you agree that this photograph, application and related material may be used for promotion and marketing purposes and you consent to Bestbuy using the right to copy and/or publish the photo.

Applicant Details

Full Name: _____ Social Insurance Number: _____

Address: _____ City/Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

I have read and understand the scholarship requirements for the scholarship I am applying for and have submitted all required information and documentation. All information contained in this application is accurate and contains no false statements.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Instructor/Teacher Recommendation (please include recommendation letter with submission materials)

Name: _____ Title: _____ Institution Name: _____

Address: _____ City/Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

High School Status

- ☐ Currently a high school senior and will graduate this year: (mm/dd) _____
- ☐ Graduated in the last 2 years: (mm/yr) _____

Type of Program You Are Entering

- ☐ I am, or will be enrolled as a full-time student in a 4-year program.
- ☐ I am, or will be enrolled as a full-time student in a 2-year program.
- ☐ I am, or will be enrolled in another type of program.

Specify Program

School: _____

Program Name: _____

Semester (Spring or Fall): _____

Please send completed form and submission materials to Bestbuy Distributors Limited

Email: scholarships@bestbuydistributors.ca **Fax:** 905-673-8833 **Mail:** 3355 American Drive, Mississauga, ON L4V 1Y7 (Attn: Scholarships)