



## **The Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship by the JAM Charitable Foundation Program Overview and Guidelines**

### **Objective**

To provide support for students involved in the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Toronto mentoring program as they enter their first year of post-secondary education.

### **Description**

The Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship was created by the JAM Charitable Foundation to provide post-secondary financial support to promising students affiliated with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Toronto. Ideal candidates should love learning, be actively involved in school clubs or team athletics and contribute to their community in meaningful ways.

### **Scholarship Value and Duration**

This one-time award of \$5,000 for tuition will be offered to two students during their first year of post-secondary education.

### **Eligibility**

The recipient must be:

- A student in Grade 12
- Participating in or graduated from the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Toronto program
- A Canadian citizen or permanent resident
- Entering into full-time studies at a Canadian university, college or trade school

### **Field of Study/Program Requirements**

- There are no restrictions regarding the program of study or discipline that a student may choose
- Program must be a minimum of two years in duration for a Bachelor's degree or diploma program, or a minimum of one year in duration for a trades program

### **Selection of Scholarship Recipients**

The JAM Charitable Foundation Scholarship Program Selection Committee will select two scholarship winners. The Selection Committee consists of JAM Direct Inc. employees. All decisions are final.

Selection is based on the following:

- Completion of the application, which includes two essay questions with a minimum word count of 250 words each
- An in-person or virtual interview with the selection committee
- Applicant's community service and extra-curricular involvement in sports teams or clubs
- Demonstration of leadership qualities
- Applicants must show that they are committed to their education



### **Award Timing and Terms**

- Winners will be notified by email on June 30, 2022
- Scholarship payment will only be issued upon completion of the scholarship application and review and acceptance of all required supporting documentation
- Winners must provide proof of graduation from their high school and an acceptance letter for the post-secondary school they will attend
- Proof of tuition payment may be required
- It is the student's responsibility to ensure that payment of tuition fees is made within the defined timeframe set by the educational institution, regardless of the timing of the scholarship payment

### **Payment**

- Student will receive the scholarship amount in two increments. \$2,500 will be given in August for the first semester and \$2,500 will be given in January for the second semester
- Winners must provide JAM Charitable Foundation with proof of payment for tuition each semester
- The second \$2,500 payment will only be given once the student has provided JAM Charitable Foundation with their transcript of grades for the first semester and a copy of their second semester tuition bill

### **Application Requirements**

*(Please note: Only applications that contain all required documents will be considered)*

- The application must be submitted in full by 10 p.m. on May 10, 2022, to: [leah@jamdirect.ca](mailto:leah@jamdirect.ca)
- Proof of acceptance into post-secondary school must be provided

### **Conditions/Restrictions**

- Students who will commence their post-secondary studies in January are eligible
- Students may take time off between graduating from high school and their first year. If this is your plan, it must be stated in the application with an explanation as to why you're taking the time off
- Children of employees/board members of Big Brothers Big Sisters member agencies and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Toronto are not eligible to apply
- Children of employees of JAM Direct Inc. are not eligible to apply
- Student must have either graduated or still be active with the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Toronto organization

### **Questions/Contact Information**

If you have any questions about the application, process or requirements, please contact: Leah Kosowan at [leah@jamdirect.ca](mailto:leah@jamdirect.ca)