



Established in 2016
In Memory of Karonhiaráhstha Sky Junie Delisle

Introduction

Karonhiaráhstha's Post-Secondary Scholarship Fund was created in memory of Karonhiaráhstha Sky Junie Delisle, born on August 1, 2013, a healthy baby girl to Carla Skye and Iohahi:io Delisle. In December of the same year, Karonhiaráhstha and her family took a vacation to the tropical island of St.Martin. Tragically, on the night of December 27th, 2013, Carla found her baby unresponsive in their hotel room. The family took all necessary measures in an attempt to revive her; after a lengthy and complex process to obtain emergency medical services Karonhiaráhstha was declared deceased; the cause of death was Sudden Infant Death Syndrome(SIDS).

In an article that appeared in The Eastern Door in November of 2014, Karonhiaráhstha's parents gave a heart-wrenching account of the events that took place surrounding their daughter's death. In highlighting the insufficient medical services they received in St.Martin, they had a message to the community: Be grateful for the medical services available in and around Kahnawake. The death of Karonhiaráhstha was felt community wide and beyond, as she was featured in the Kateri Memorial Foundation's first Give Where You Live direct mail campaign.

By December 2015; Karonhiaráhstha's family collaborated with the Kateri Memorial Foundation to launch the inaugural Christmas Tree Raffle Event titled, "Karonhiaráhstha's Winter Wonderland" which raised funds for the Karonhiaráhstha Post-Secondary Scholarship Fund. Karonhiaráhstha's Winter Wonderland has been held annually since December 2015 which keeps both the Post-Secondary Scholarship Fund and the memory of Karonhiaráhstha alive.



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*Karonhiaráhstha's
Post-Secondary
Scholarship Program*

"For better health care in Kahnawake"

Purpose

The purpose of Karonhiaráhstha's Post-Secondary Scholarship Program is to provide financial assistance to Kahnawake students who are pursuing an education in the fields of medicine, nursing, health professions, and health sciences, including but not limited to traditional medicine and mental health professions.

Eligibility

The Karonhiaráhstha Post-Secondary Scholarship Program is open to full-time and part-time students from Kahnawake. Students must be accepted and/or enrolled at accredited academic institutions (Canada or the USA) related to medicine, traditional medicine, nursing, or health science and technology. The program accepts applications from students at the following academic levels:

- Highschool
- CEGEP
- University programs
 - Bachelors
 - Masters
 - PhD
- and Vocational programs.

Exceptions may be granted on a case-by-case basis.

*Students who have applied to an academic program and are awaiting acceptance may still apply, but they will only be awarded a scholarship if and when they receive an acceptance.

Application Process

In order to be considered for Karonhiaráhstha's Post-Secondary Scholarship Program, all applicants must:

- Be a Kahnawakehrónon student.
- Provide copy of band card.
- Intend to practice or work in Kahnawake upon graduation
- Provide most recent transcript
- Provide a Letter of Acceptance
- Write a 500-1000 word personal essay explaining why you should receive Karonhiaráhstha's Post-Secondary Scholarship
- Provide a social insurance number (SIN) for RL-1 purposes
- Provide exactly two signed letters of recommendation
- Provide a copy of their CV
- Be available to attend an interview upon request if required
- Include a recent photo and brief biography

Selection

Applications are reviewed and evaluated by the Karonhiaráhstha Scholarship Selection Committee. Recipients are selected based on academic achievement, career potential, and personal commitment.

Applicants can expect to be notified within two months after the deadline to apply.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Academic Level	Award Amount	Payments
Highschool	\$500	1 payment of \$500
Vocational Programs	\$1,000	2 payments of \$500
CEGEP 2 year Programs	\$2,000	\$1,000/year for 2 years
CEGEP Career Programs	\$3,000	\$1,000/year for 3 years
University Bachelor Degree	\$3,000	\$1,000/year for 3 years
University Masters Degree	\$5,000	\$2,500/year for 2 years
University Doctorate	\$10,000	\$2,500/year for 4 years

Incentive Bonus

As an incentive, bonus payments will be issued at the end of academic years for recipients who receive an overall average of 75% and above.

Recipients will need to submit a copy of their official transcripts to receive this bonus.