



## ***Jean & Murray Thomas Memorial Scholarship Award for Student Citizenship***

The Virден Area Foundation's *Jean & Murray Thomas Memorial Scholarship Award for Student Citizenship* recognizes graduating students for outstanding contributions they have made to their school and community.

This scholarship award recognizes graduating Virден Collegiate Institute (VCI) students who demonstrate the qualities of active participation in civic or community activities, good scholarship and school involvement. The following specific criteria apply:

1. Volunteer service to the community.
2. Involvement in citizenship or character building organizations.
3. Good scholastic record.
4. Participation in student programs or activities.
5. Leadership ability to motivate others to actions to benefit the community.

The Foundation will provide up to 2 awards of \$1,000 each.

Awards are available for use in any of the next three ensuing academic years. Awards not claimed within that timeframe will be forfeited.

The scholarship awards will be paid directly to the university or college of the recipient's choice upon enrollment. The university or college must be a qualified donee for the purposes of the Income Tax Act. The institution will then credit the recipient's tuition account.

The deadline for receipt of completed application submissions is **June 1, 2021**. All submissions received will be acknowledged with a letter. Award recipients will be notified in early June.

If you have any questions, please contact Teresa Makarchuk at 204-748-3419.



## ***Jean & Murray Thomas Memorial Scholarship Award for Student Citizenship***

### **Application Kit**

This award recognizes graduating Virден Collegiate Institute (VCI) students who have displayed exemplary citizenship within their school and community.

**Deadline:** June 1, 2021

#### **Criteria:**

- Students must have demonstrated exemplary citizenship in their schools and in their communities.
- Students must be graduating from VCI in the 2020-2021 school year.
- Students must have submitted complete applications by the application deadline.

#### **Application Requirements:**

##### **A. Student Application**

Completed Application Form including details of future educational and career plans.

##### **B. Citizenship Essay**

An essay (maximum 500 words) from the student that defines what citizenship means to them; how the concept applies to the life of their school and community and describes how the student has tried to live out this concept of good citizenship in school and community. The student is required to outline plans for the future upon graduation from high school.

**C. Two Sponsoring Letters as follows:**

1. A letter from an ***official at VCI*** that:
  - confirms a reasonable expectation that the student will be graduating in the 2020-2021 school year
  - describes the context in which the sponsoring official has known the student
  - describes how the student's actions at school demonstrate good citizenship.
  
2. A letter from ***a representative of a community organization*** that:
  - indicates the individual's relationship with the student
  - describes how the student's actions in the community demonstrate good citizenship.

**Submit to:**

Virден Area Foundation Inc.  
P O Box 2319  
Virден MB R0M 2C0



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## Student Application Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

SPONSORING LETTERS ARE BEING SUPPLIED BY:

A. VCI-Based Sponsor Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

B. Community-Based Sponsor Name and Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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Plans for the future (add extra pages if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

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***Please ensure all of the following supporting documents are attached.***

- *Completed application form (including consent)*
- *Citizenship essay*
- *School sponsor letter*
- *Community sponsor letter*

### *Privacy Statement and Consent*

The personal information collected by VAF through the award application process is governed by Canada's *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA)*. The purpose of this privacy statement and consent is to inform you of how the Virden Area Foundation intends to use your information and to confirm your agreement to its collection and use.

This information will be used only by the Virden Area Foundation. It will be used only for purposes related to administration of this award. It will not be shared with other organizations except if required to verify information provided. The Virden Area Foundation publicizes award winners and any honorable mentions. Publication may include (but is not limited to) notices to the Foundation's membership, stories in news publications and in the Foundation's publications, and on-line features on the Foundation's website. Such publication may include information collected through this application (except for personal addresses and phone numbers) and the supporting material submitted, and the Foundation may quote in full or in part from the supporting letters.

You may refuse or withdraw your consent to the information collection, use, disclosure and publication as described above. The likely consequence of a withdrawal of consent is that your application will not be considered, except if extenuating circumstances are accepted by the Foundation.

#### Consent and Certification:

I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby make application for a Virden Area Foundation Inc. Scholarship Award for Student Citizenship.

I have read and understand the conditions for the payment of the scholarship awarded hereunder.

I certify that the information provided in my application is true and correct.

I consent to the collection, use and disclosure of my personal information provided in the application in accordance with the foregoing Privacy Statement.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## **Jean & Murray Thomas Memorial Scholarship Award for Student Citizenship**

### *Instructions for School-Based Sponsor*

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**Description:** The award is being given to up to two students graduating in 2021 from the Virден Collegiate Institute (VCI) to recognize these students for outstanding citizenship through contributions to their school and community.

**Amount:** \$1,000.

**Submission Deadline:** June 1, 2021

#### **Award Criteria:**

- Students must be graduating from VCI.
- Students must have demonstrated exemplary citizenship in their school and in their communities.
- Students must submit a completed application including this letter of support by the deadline.

#### **Your letter of support should:**

- confirm that the student applicant is expected to graduate in the 2020-2021 school year
- describe the contexts in which you have known the student
- describe how the student has indicated an appreciation of good citizenship and has demonstrated this through actions in the school setting.

**Thank you for your participation in the awards process.**



## **Jean & Murray Thomas Memorial Scholarship Award for Student Citizenship**

### *Instructions for Community-Based Sponsor*

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**Amount:** \$1,000.

**Application Submission Deadline:** June 1, 2021

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- describe the contexts in which you have known the student
- describe how the student has indicated an appreciation of good citizenship and has demonstrated this through actions in the community.

**Thank you for your participation in the awards process.**