



October 7, 2020

To whom it may concern,

**Re: Bursaries for Students within the East & West Kootenay School Districts**

We, C.M.A.W. Local #2300 (The Construction, Maintenance, & Allied Workers Union of the Kootenay Region), are pleased to inform you that we are offering a bursary through our Local for graduating high school students pursuing an apprenticeship and career in the trades of carpentry or millwright.

There will be at least one, in some cases two, bursaries available for each School District within the East and West Kootenays, in the amount of \$500 each to the deserving students. We would like the applicants to write a short essay 300–500 words long, explaining why they are pursuing a career in their chosen trade. We will accept applications from graduates who are starting an apprenticeship from the very start (1<sup>st</sup> year apprentice), or graduates who have completed their first year in high school through the YTT – Youth Train in Trades (enrolling in 2<sup>nd</sup> year). The successful applicants will receive their bursary money only after proof of registration in their trade.

We are hoping you (School District Representatives), will forward this letter to all your respective high school career councillors, and/or anyone else pertinent to the conversation within your District.

The essays will then be reviewed shortly there after, and the awarding high schools will be contacted, with a presentation at their individual award ceremonies. I'm sure there are questions to answer and details to iron out, so please feel free to contact us regarding any more information. We look forward to working with you and are excited to help our young and aspiring tradespeople for years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Dan Turner'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Dan Turner  
President, CMAW Local #2300

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