

2026 Provincial Awards and Scholarships Outline

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	Engineers and Geoscientists of BC
	Women in Engineering and Geoscience

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BC Agriculture in the Classroom Award



Criteria:

To be awarded to an outstanding project that shows the practical application of scientific principles to agriculture. Students from Grades 5 to 12 are eligible for the award.

Eligibility:

- One \$65 award per region
- Students from grades 5 to 12 are eligible

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BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation
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BC Game Developer's Innovation Award



Criteria:

To be awarded to the student(s) in Grades 7-12 whose project demonstrates creativity and innovation in computer science, mathematics, engineering, or astronomy.

Eligibility:

- Three awards per region
- One \$50 award for grades 7-8
- One \$100 award for grades 9-10
- One \$150 award for grades 11-12
- Students from grades 7 to 12 are eligible
- Certificate

Forms & Certificates:

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BC Hydro Power Pioneers Award



Criteria:

To be awarded to a student(s) in Grades 4 to 12 who creates a project which creatively demonstrates electrical conservation and its environmental, social and economic impacts.

Eligibility:

- One \$100 award per region
- Students from grades 4 to 12 are eligible
- Certificate

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BC Hydro Power Pioneers Association

Inaugurated in 1990 with three branches, the BC Hydro Power Pioneers Association carries on a tradition going back over eighty years to the days of B.C. Electric and B.C. Power Commission. All Regional Branches become involved in fundraising and other activities to support both local and provincial charities. Power Pioneers work with appropriate partners for programs that will be of benefit for our members and our communities.

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BC Nature Award



Criteria:

To be awarded to the best natural history project done by a student(s). This includes studies of any aspect of natural history, conservation of natural habitats, and/or natural species. An outdoor, nature monitoring or conservation project is strongly encouraged.

Eligibility:

- Up to four awards per region
- Two \$50 awards for grades K-6 (not available if your region does not include K-6 participants)
- One \$100 award for grades 7-9
- One \$100 award for grades 10-12

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BC Nature

Contact:

Nancy Flood
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BC Science Teachers' Association



Criteria:

To be awarded to a student(s) from grades 7 or 8 for an experimental project in any category that has clearly presented a hypothesis and independent, controlled variables.

Eligibility:

- One \$100 award per region
- Students from grades 7 and 8 are eligible

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BC Science Teachers Association (BCScTA)

Contact:

John Munro
President, BC Science Teachers' Association
C/O Rick Hansen Secondary School
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Genome BC Award



Criteria:

To be awarded to two projects focused on areas of life sciences, including but not limited to human health, forestry, fisheries, agriculture, bioenergy, mining and the environment. Students in all grades are eligible for this award.

Eligibility:

- Two Awards, Each \$300 Cash to Students
- Students in all grades are eligible
- Certificate

Forms & Certificates:

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Contact:

Sally Greenwood
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Julia Lane Award



Criteria:

To be awarded to a student (all grades are eligible) with a passion for science and community. Preference given to female candidates with projects relating to Geology or Earth and Environmental Sciences.

Eligibility:

- One \$300 award per region
- Students in all grades are eligible

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Michael Crooks Physics Prize



Teaching for the future

Criteria:

To be awarded to a student(s) in Grades 6 to 12 who has done an outstanding physics-related project.

Eligibility:

- One \$125 award per region
- Students in grades 6 to 12 are eligible

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BC Association of Physics Teachers

We are a volunteer organization of physics teachers of BC (from high schools, colleges, institutes and universities) who work tirelessly to improve how physics is taught in our province. We were founded in 1984 and we are always looking for enthusiastic physics teachers who want to get involved. We love and live physics and we enjoy being BCAPT members.

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SCWIST (Society for Canadian Women in Science & Technology) Award



Criteria:

To be given to young women and gender diverse youth, preferably in Grades 8 to 10, whose project shows the greatest curiosity, ingenuity and innovation in design. The award is intended to encourage the student's interest in science. A student may not receive this award more than once.

Eligibility:

- One \$100 award per region
- To be given to young women and gender diverse youth
- Students in all grades are eligible (preference given to students in grades 8 to 10)
- Certificate

Forms & Certificates:

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Contact:

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Treasurer and Director, Finance
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Shad Canada Community Changemaker Prize



Criteria:

To be awarded to a Grade 9 or 10 student whose project demonstrates creativity, curiosity, and the potential for social impact.

Eligibility:

- \$750 towards SHAD2027 fees
- Up to three awards per region
- Certificate and FAQ Handout will be mailed to each region before the fair

Forms & Certificates:

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Contact:

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Vancouver RASC Martha Pearse Award



Criteria:

To be awarded to the best astronomy or physics project that demonstrates creativity, innovation and contributes to a greater public understanding of science.

Eligibility:

- One \$50 award per region
- Students in all grades are eligible

Contact:

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SCHOLARSHIPS

Each regional science fair (13) will nominate one project to apply for the scholarship. Students nominated for the scholarship(s) must submit completed nomination forms and all other required documents to be eligible for the scholarship. We will hold the funds until we receive proof of enrollment into a post-secondary program and send the funds directly to the institution. The completed nomination forms must be submitted to the Science Fair Foundation of BC by May 31, 2026.

Julia Lane Scholarship



Scholarship Amount:

\$3,000

Criteria:

To be awarded to a Grade 11 or 12 student with a passion for science and community. Preference given to female candidates with projects relating to Geology or Earth and Environmental Sciences.

Eligibility:

- Present their project at the senior age level (Grade 11 or 12) at a BC Regional Science Fair
- Be planning to enroll full-time in a science program upon graduation at a post-secondary institution

Required Submissions:

- [Review full details here](#)
- Applications will be submitted online via Science Fair Foundation BC's website between March 1 and May 31, 2026.
- Open call for applications for all youth in grades 11 or 12 who participated in a BC or Yukon Regional Science Fair

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Genome BC Scholarship



Scholarship Amount:

\$1,000

Criteria:

To be awarded to a Grade 11 or 12 student who has developed a science and technology project focused on areas of life sciences, including but not limited to human health, forestry, fisheries, agriculture, bioenergy, mining and the environment. The winner must pursue a science degree in British Columbia.

Eligibility:

- \$1,000 Scholarship Nomination
- Must be a grade 11 or 12 student

Forms & Certificates:

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Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Scholarship



Scholarship Amount:

\$1,900

Criteria:

To be awarded to a Grade 11 or 12 student that shows the practical application of scientific principles to identifying and addressing transportation-related issues. This will include environmental effects of transportation projects, such as emission reduction, erosion, invasive species management, habitat destruction, etc. and their mitigation. Other transportation related issues may include, reducing wildlife/vehicle collisions, noise attenuation, managing runoff and road contaminants, road maintenance activities like de-icing, drainage management, handling contaminated soil or road construction materials, etc.

Eligibility:

- Present their project at the senior age level (Grade 11 or 12) at a BC or Yukon Regional Science Fair
- Be planning to enroll full-time in a science program at a post-secondary institution upon graduation

Required Submissions:

- Completed application form
- Current official transcript of Grade 11 or 12
- Reference Letter from a teacher
- Résumé/CV
- Photo of the student(s) with a short testimonial about the value of Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure's scholarship toward her/his career choice

Forms & Certificates:

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