

Scholarship Presentation

Grade 12s - Introduction

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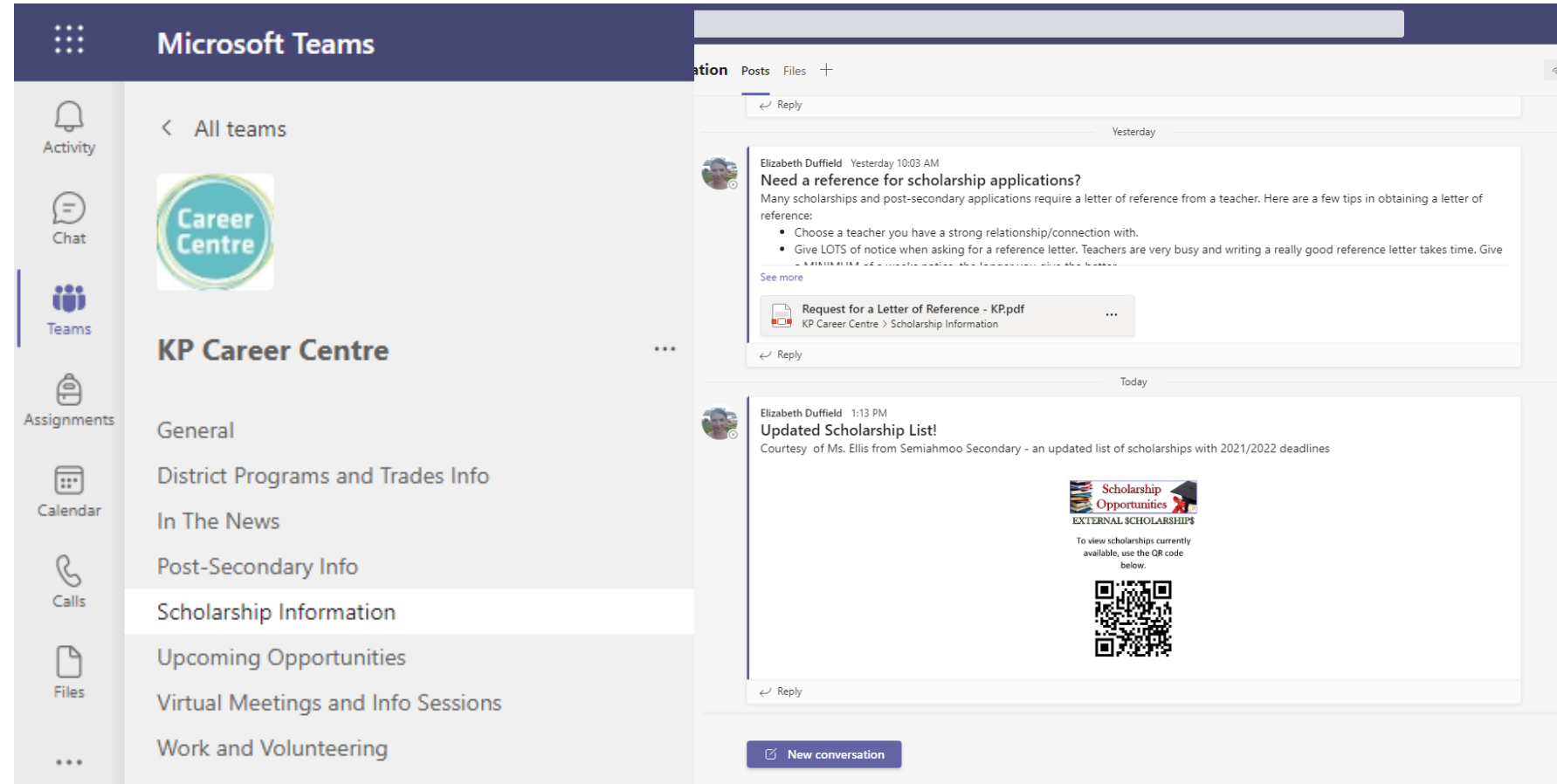
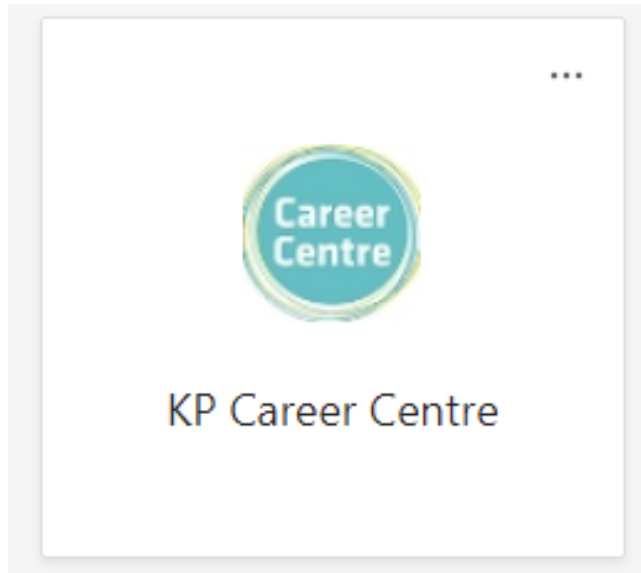
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KP Career Centre Team

Join the team using
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Education Planner BC

Create an account ASAP

[EducationPlannerBC - B.C.
Post-Secondary Program
Information and Application
Service](https://www.educationplannerbc.ca)

www.educationplannerbc.ca

The screenshot shows the Education Planner BC website interface. At the top, there is a red 'Site Alert' banner with a close button. Below the banner, the navigation bar includes the British Columbia logo, the EducationPlannerBC logo, and a 'Log in' button. A horizontal menu with four tabs is visible: 'PLAN' (green), 'SEARCH' (blue), 'APPLY' (red), and 'HELP' (purple). The 'APPLY' tab is selected, and the breadcrumb 'Home » Apply' is shown. A red 'APPLY' button is highlighted. The main content area is titled 'APPLY FOR ADMISSION' and contains the following text: 'This is the application portal for admission to one or more BC post-secondary institutions. Not sure how to apply? Check out our step by step tutorial here.' A note follows: 'Note: To apply to the following institutions click here.' with bullet points for 'BC Institute of Technology' and 'Royal Roads University'. Under the heading 'To get started,', there are two options: 'Sign Up for your EducationPlannerBC Account' (with a lock icon) and 'Login to your EducationPlannerBC Account' (with a green button). Below this, a person icon is followed by the text 'Complete your common, applicant Profile.'. The section 'Then,' is followed by a three-step process: 1. Select Institution, 2. Complete Application, and 3. Review & Submit, each with a numbered orange circle icon.

Education Planner BC

www.educationplannerbc.ca

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Info on undergraduate program availability, application dates, tuition costs, admission requirements, program lengths, and more at BC's Post-Secondary Institutions.

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BCeID – Student Transcript Service

Register/Create an Account at www.studenttranscripts.gov.bc.ca

Sign up for Basic BCeID



Log in with BCeID

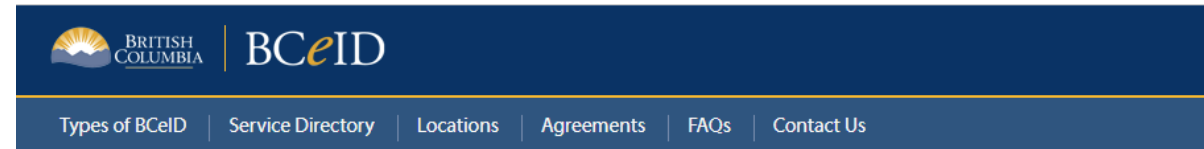
User ID
Use a Basic BCeID

Password

Continue

[Forgot your user ID or password?](#)

No account?
[Register for a BCeID](#)



Register for a BCeID

There are three [types of BCeID](#) accounts.

Already know what type you want to register for?

[Register for a Business BCeID >](#)

[Register for a Personal BCeID >](#)

[Register for a Basic BCeID >](#)

Not sure which one to register for?

The type of BCeID you need depends on the service you want to use. To find out what type you need:

- [Find the service in the service directory](#). Many of the services that use BCeID are listed in the directory.
- If you can't find the service in the directory, check with the service provider and they'll be able to tell you the type you need.

BCeID – Student Transcript Service

- You will need your PEN number (found on MyEdBC)
- You need to use your LEGAL NAME
- YOU MUST ACTIVATE THROUGH YOUR EMAIL

Where to look for scholarships!?!

KP Career Centre Team → Scholarship Information Channel

- Post Page – upcoming scholarship information
- Files Page – multiple databases with links

STUDENTS MUST CHECK WEBSITES FOR CURRENT APPLICATION DATES

Post-Secondary Institution Websites

- Go to search engine and type in “Scholarships”
- Entrance, Indigenous, International Students, Students with Disabilities
- [Scholarships for Canadian UBC Students | UBC Undergraduate Programs and Admissions](#)
- [Major Entrance Scholarships & Awards | KPU.ca - Kwantlen Polytechnic University](#)

Where to look for scholarships!?!

- Affiliation Scholarships
 - Talk to your family! Unions, employers, insurance companies, etc. often provide scholarships to employees or customers relatives.
 - Military connections, Cadets, Veteran's groups
 - Religious affiliations or cultural clubs
 - Extra-curriculars
 - Athletic organizations
 - Disabilities groups
- Large Databases – sign up and create an account
 - [ScholarshipsCanada - Find Scholarships, Student Awards, Bursaries & Financial Aid](#)
 - [Scholarships Made Simple | ScholarTree](#)

Scholarship Profile – what to include

See the Scholarship Profile document on the KP Career Centre Team!

- Plans for Post-Secondary, schools, programs
- Transcript
- Work experience: company, dates, duties and responsibilities
- Volunteer experience: company, dates, duties and responsibilities
- School Involvement: clubs, committees, sports, etc.
- Awards, achievements, certifications
- Community Involvement: volunteering, sports, extra-curriculars, training
- Financial Information
- References
- Essays

Reference Letters

- Think about who could give you the best reference
 - Teacher, Counsellor, Coach, Employer, Religious leader, etc.
 - CANNOT be family member or friends
- Fill out the Reference Request Form (KP Career Centre Team) and give to whomever you ask
- Ask well in advance – at least 2 weeks notice
- Ask for a general letter that you can use for multiple scholarships
- Make sure to write a thank you note for your references after you receive your letter

Essays

- Always read directions in full before starting
- Make sure to follow specific criteria (word count, bullets, etc.)
- Make sure your essays are personal and reflect you
- Be concise, use examples, often have limited words/space
- Proof read and edit
- Many scholarships applications have common themes. Save all essay entries so you can revise and reuse.

Common Essay Topics

- Overcoming challenges
 - What was the challenge, how did you overcome it and what did you learn from it?
- Leadership
 - Discuss a time when you were in a leadership role. Leadership comes in many forms.
 - Any act of responsibility and/or initiative that serves others is a form of leadership.
 - Just being on a team is not leadership – it's about you stepping up and serving or helping others in some way.
- Volunteering or Community Involvement
- Future Plans
 - Discuss the program that you are applying for, how/why did you choose it, the potential career you want to pursue and why you think you'll be successful.

Final Thoughts

- Treat applying for scholarships like a part-time job. Putting aside time each week or month to work on scholarships will increase your chances of winning.
- Don't just apply for the big ones – there are hundreds of scholarships out there, many are not advertised well which means there will be fewer applicants. Winning a couple hundred/thousand dollar scholarships is still a great return on your investment of time.
- Scholarships beget scholarships – if you win once, you are more likely to win again. Receiving a scholarship increases confidence and can motivate you to apply for more. Also looks great on applications, resumes, etc. and can open up more opportunities.