



# 2026-2027 STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

## Greetings Students,

There is still a good portion of summer left, but it's never too early to be thinking about how you can save some money on your education this fall.

This is an info package and application form that could help you out with the cost of your NBC tuition this fall. You have the opportunity to apply for bursaries and other financial aid thanks to generous donors who value the training you will be receiving. You are eligible even if you are applying for a student loan.

### Steps

1. Read the policies included in this package. Be sure to read all criteria carefully.
2. Choose the bursaries for which you wish to apply and check them off on the back of the application form.
3. Complete the forms thoroughly. You could be disqualified if you don't provide enough information.
4. Return applications to NBC, which must be postmarked by August 1. Recipients will be chosen in the first semester, and the funds will be applied to the second semester.
5. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

May God bless you as you serve Him this summer.

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## **NBC STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY**

### GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Definition:

Student Financial Assistance (SFA) includes the NBC Student Aid Fund, annual bursaries and other financial awards not included in the First-Year Entrance Scholarships or in the awards presented during the Annual Awards Chapel.

These bursaries and the Student Aid Fund are made available to students by application before the school year. The presentations are designated by recommendation from the Academic Dean and approved by the Mission Leadership Team according to the guidelines given below.

2. Purpose:

The SFA program is intended to:

- Give financial assistance to needy students
- Create and develop student character
- Promote conscientious academic effort

Therefore, both academic and non-academic factors are considered in the awarding of bursary monies.

3. Applications for the Student Aid Fund and the annual bursaries are opened in April. Presentation of the funds is made in September at the beginning of the semester.
4. All funds awarded by application are to be used for the student's second-semester account, unless otherwise specified.
5. A student failing to complete the semester, for which funds have been awarded, must repay the total amount of the award by the end of that school term.
6. In awarding bursary monies, preference will be given to applicants who are full-time students.
7. All applications will be processed by the Academic Dean, who will administer:
  - The evaluation of applications
  - The interviewing of applicants, as necessary
  - The presentation of the funds
  - The establishment and processing of new bursaries or awards
8. Information regarding the SFA program shall be presented on the college website.



## **STUDENT AID FUND**

a. **Aim:**

Occasionally, friends or constituents of the school donate designated funds for the purpose of helping out needy students. These donations are placed into this Fund, from which needy students may apply to receive financial help.

b. **Recipients:**

Each accepted NBC student who has applied for Student Aid is considered. However, the ones granted the aid must meet the following criteria:

- Good Christian character
- Positive Christian testimony
- Positive contributions to school life
- Absolute financial need
- Approved stewardship of time and money

c. **Purposes:**

- To help students meet their educational expenses
- To assist students with essential school expenses such as tuition, room and board, and textbooks
- To discourage and prevent student drop-out due to finances

d. **Policies:**

- All possible aids are processed through the administration of MLT
- Application forms are available from the college website

e. **Administration:**

Students who have financial need will be considered (and possibly be interviewed) by the Academic Dean before any funds are distributed. Applications will be considered at the end of each August, provided that the Fund has money at that time.



## **DESCRIPTION OF BURSARIES**

### **1. Ed & Mary Vellacott Memorial Bursary**

Nipawin Bible College has been a big part of Ed & Mary Vellacott's life. Five of their children and three of their daughters-in-law attended NBC in the 70s and 80s. Sons - Maurice (Mary Guenter), Tim (Diane Schierling), Randy (Joyce Rempel), Clint, Daughter - Joy

Over the years, Ed & Mary also attended a number of NBC graduations, anniversary celebrations and senior retreats. Therefore, this annual bursary is given in their memory and honours their dedication to biblical training.

Amount: \$4,500.00 (3 @ \$1,500.00)

Criteria: To be awarded to a student who:

1. Has financial need
2. Serves the Lord enthusiastically
3. Is devoted to sharing their faith

### **2. Pete & Betty Schierling Memorial Bursary**

Nipawin Bible College has been a big part of Pete & Betty Schierling's life. Prayer was also a big part of their lives. Three of their daughters and two of their sons-in-law attended NBC in the 70s and 80s. Daughters who attended: Diane (Tim) Vellacott; Jeannette (Don) Block; Laurel (Howard) Waldner.

Over the years, Pete & Betty also attended a number of NBC graduations and missions conferences. This annual bursary is given in their memory and honours their dedication to prayer and to biblical training.

Amount: \$1,000.00 (2 @ \$500.00)

Criteria (*Fall 2025*): To be awarded to a student who:

1. Has financial need
2. Serves the Lord enthusiastically
3. Is devoted to growing in a life of prayer

### **3. Dan and Dwight Koop Bursary**

*(NOTE: This is a short-term bursary of \$500/year for the next 4 years. The last year a student will receive this will be October 2028.)*

The Dan Koop family, in appreciation of NBC, have established an annual bursary of \$500. Mr. Koop took grades 5-10 at TRBI and then graduated from NBI in 1963. He served on the faculty and as Director of Missions from 1981 to 1992.

Amount: \$500.00

Criteria: To be awarded to a first-year student who:

1. Has financial need
2. Has intentions of completing his/her program at NBC
3. Has a positive recommendation by the academic dean, the dean of student life, and the finance manager.

#### **4. NBC Junior Bursary**

Because of its interest in the completion of studies for individual students at NBC, the school annually makes funds available for this bursary.

Amount: \$500.00 (2 [1 male, 1 female] \$250.00 each)

Criteria: Awarded to a second-year student who:

1. Has demonstrated leadership abilities and works well with people
2. Is a good student of the Word and has potential teaching capability
3. Has evidenced satisfactory academic performance
4. Has evidenced a wholesome Christian testimony at NBC as well as at home
5. Has financial need

#### **5. Helen Snider Memorial Bursary**

Helen Snider, a graduate of the Two Rivers Bible Institute, went home to her Maker in October 1983. In memory of her life, an annual bursary has been established by her three sisters: Ethel Baxter, Blanche Hitchcock, and Neoma Snider, also alumni of NBC (TRBI).

Amount: \$100.00

Criteria: To be awarded to a returning student who:

1. Has financial need
2. Displays evidence of maturing Christian character

#### **6. Returning Student Bursary**

Awarded to encourage those persevering through multiple years of training at NBC.

Amount: \$800.00 (2 [1 male & 1 female] @ \$400.00 each)

Criteria: to be awarded to a returning student who:

1. Exemplifies servant leadership
2. Is returning for their second, third, or fourth year at NBC

## **7. NBC Board of Directors Bursary**

As an expression of their interest in the training of students at NBC, the members of the Board of Directors have established this annual bursary.

Amount: \$1,500.00 (2 @ \$750.00)

Criteria: Awarded to a returning student(s) who:

1. Demonstrates a genuine appreciation for Nipawin Bible College and displays a spirit of NBC loyalty
2. Has financial need

## **8. Mr. and Mrs. R.W. Snider Memorial Bursary**

Mr. Snider (1979) and Mrs. Snider (1983) were one of the couples used by God in the founding of the Two Rivers Bible Institute. This annual bursary in honour of their dedication and service has been established by their four daughters: Blanche Hitchcock, Neoma Snider, Cora Snider, and Ethel Baxter.

Amount: \$100.00

Criteria: To be awarded to a returning student who:

1. Is anticipating a missionary career
2. Shows excellence in their studies
3. Has financial need
4. Has a consistent Christian character

## **9. Dwayne Salmond Memorial Bursary**

In memory of their son Dwayne, Rod & Diane Salmond of Salmond Trucking Ltd. (Hudson Bay, SK) have made an annual bursary of \$500.00 to help a student with a significant financial need. Their desire is to help students who are planning on ministry or missions service, but are in jeopardy of not completing their program due to financial needs. Rod passed away in 2024, but Diane desires to continue this bursary moving forward.

Amount: \$500.00

Criteria: To be awarded to a returning student who:

1. Is anticipating service in ministry or missions
2. Has financial need

## **10. Rod Salmond Memorial Bursary**

In memory of her husband Rod (TRBI alumnus, 1956), who passed away in 2024, Diane Salmond of Hudson Bay, SK, has made an annual bursary of \$600.00 to help a student with a significant financial need. Her desire is to help students who are planning on

ministry or missions service, but are in jeopardy of not completing their program due to financial needs.

Amount: \$600.00

Criteria: To be awarded to a returning student who:

1. Is anticipating service in ministry or missions
2. Has financial need

### **11. Pastor/Missionary Bursary**

Each year, a bursary of \$1,000 is available for a student who is in the third or fourth year at NBC.

Amount: \$1,000.00

Criteria: To be awarded to a third- or fourth-year student who:

1. Is pursuing service in pastoral ministry or missions
2. Has financial need
3. Has maintained a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75

### **12. NBC Pastoral/Church Ministry Bursary**

With a deep desire to see continued training of the next generation of pastors and church leaders, an NBC constituent has enabled NBC to establish this bursary.

Amount: \$4,000.00 (2 @ \$2,000.00)

Criteria: To be awarded to a returning student who:

1. Has financial need.
2. Is pursuing vocational pastoral work or vocational church ministry leadership in another way (e.g. children's ministry, director of youth ministry, etc.).

Preference will be given to students entering into a fourth-year pastoral internship.

### **13. Northeast Financial Services (Kent Little PFA, BRE; Kris Little CFP®, B.Ed.) Camp Ministry Bursary**

Kent Little has been involved at Nipawin Bible College in various ways since his childhood. Kent served as an adjunct part-time faculty from 1986 to 1991, teaching courses in Camp Ministry and Ministry to Youth and Adults. His wife, Karen, attended NBI in 1984/85, as did one of their daughters (Karissa) in 2007/08. Kent has also been involved with Christian Camps in one way or another all of his life, and both he and Karen served as Directors at Torch Trail Bible Camp for many years. It is for these reasons that Kent has a deep desire to help those currently serving or seeking future service in camp

ministry. As such, Northeast Financial Services has set up an annual bursary to ease the financial realities of investing in equipping at Nipawin Bible College.

Amount: \$2000.00

Criteria: To be awarded to a student who:

1. Has financial need.
2. Has served in camp ministry in past summers or years, and anticipates or desires a pursuit of full-time camp ministry in the future or (at least) a regular involvement in it.
3. Preference will be given to an upperclassman who has shown continued service at camp and a desire to continue in this direction after graduation.
4. Preference will also be given to those who have a strong recommendation of character and aptitude from camp leadership where they have served in the past. Camp supervisor contact information is required for reference purposes.

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**If you would like more information about Student Financial Assistance, please contact  
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