



High Prairie Agricultural Society Ruth Pratt Memorial Bursary

Application Form

BACKGROUND

This bursary is offered annually by the High Prairie Agricultural Society in the memory of Mrs. Ruth Pratt.

Margaret “Ruth” Pratt was born on July 7, 1928 in Edmonton, AB. Ruth grew up on a dairy farm in the Clover Bar area of Edmonton where she learned that to be successful you need to be able to work where you are needed. As the oldest of four siblings, Ruth was needed both in the house, and outside on the farm. When Ruth graduated from high school, she attended Vermillion College and that is where she first met Frank. Frank and Ruth moved to High Prairie shortly after their wedding on November 19, 1948, in Edmonton. Ruth moved from her parents’ home in Edmonton, with running water and the amenities of a city, to a small house with Frank parents that had limited luxuries. Frank and Ruth built a life together on the farm and much of their success could be attributed to Ruths home making skills and her abilities to help out on the farm. The couple built a new home in 1954 on the existing farm site and went on to have six children, who are all successful in their own right, and attribute this to their parents and the foundation they built together.

Ruth and Frank were very involved in the community. Ruth was a member of the Elks Royal Purple, figure skating, minor hockey, and many other community groups. Giving back to the community was very important to Frank and Ruth.

This bursary shall be given to a deserving student pursuing secondary education in an agricultural field each year in Ruth Memory.

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

Applicant must:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be enrolled full time in an recognized academic program in Alberta • Must be in grade twelve at the time of application; registered for or currently attending a post-secondary institution in Alberta • Resident of Big Lakes County • Program must make a direct link to agriculture. (E.g. Agri Business, horticulture, animal science, crop science, sustainable agricultural systems, or dairy production)
Application Must Include:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed Application form. • Proof of residency: rental agreement, bill with address, photocopy of ID, school transcript, etc. • Two letters of recommendation. From a former teacher, employer or other non-family member • Proof of enrollment or official transcript from the institution you’ll be attending

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief personal essay answering the following questions: How will this bursary support your academic pursuits? In what ways have/will you contribute to agriculture in Big Lakes County? 500 words. • Resume: Please include extracurricular, volunteer experiences & work history
Before applying, please remember...	In order to be eligible for the Ruth Pratt Memorial Bursary, you must have been a resident of Big Lakes County for at least one year prior to application. Students who are from communities within Big Lakes County, but who moved away to pursue post-secondary studies are still eligible, so long as they have been a resident of the region and have proof of residency.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: June 1st annually

SEND COMPLETED SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKAGE TO:

High Prairie Agricultural Society
 Attn: Ruth Pratt Memorial Bursary
 PO Box 1773
 High Prairie, AB T0G 1E0
 Or email to: hpagsociety@hotmail.com

Information collected through this form is done for the sole purpose of selecting a recipient(s) of the Ruth Pratt Memorial Bursary annually.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Full (Legal) Name

Mailing Address

Phone Number

Email Address

PERSONAL INFORMATION

How long have you been a resident of Big Lakes County	
Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Institution Name		Campus Name (if not attending main campus)
Program Enrolled In		City:
Major/Minor		What year of your program are you entering?
Academic Year start/end Dates		Program Type
		<input type="checkbox"/> Diploma <input type="checkbox"/> Masters <input type="checkbox"/> Degree <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE SUBMITTED OR YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

- Proof of residency E.g.) rental agreement, bill with address, photocopy of ID, etc.
- This completed form (2 pages)
- Two letters of recommendation E.g.) From a former teacher, employer or other non-family member
- Proof of enrollment or official transcript from the institution you'll be attending
- Brief personal Essay answering the following questions: How will this bursary support your academic pursuits? In what ways have or how will you contribute to agriculture in our region?
Please keep under 500 words.
- Resume: Please include extracurricular, volunteer experiences & work history.

Declaration of Applicant

I declare that the information in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge

Signature		Date (dd/mm/yyyy)	
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