



# Arya Samaj Markham Scholarship Program



The Arya Samaj Markham is proud to support post-secondary education opportunities. We encourage students in accordance with the Ministry of Education essential guidelines for students: flexibility, productivity, communication skills, technology and teamwork. By assisting young people from Hindu families, we are investing in the future and success of the community.

**PURPOSE:** The Arya Samaj Markham Scholarship Program is intended to encourage leadership and academic excellence among high school students. In order to qualify, the students must be eligible to receive the Ontario Secondary School Diploma in 2012 and proceed to University or College in the 2012/2013 academic year.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

The Scholarship is open to students:

- Who have at least one parent of Hindu heritage; and
- Who demonstrate a contribution within the Hindu or South Asian community.

## **REQUIREMENTS**

- Maintain an average of at least 80% in 5 subjects in both Grades 11 & 12 which include English (mandatory), plus 4 subjects in various areas.
- Must participate in person in the scholarship evaluation process including an interview and public speaking on Saturday, May 12, 2012.
- Must be pursuing post secondary education in a College or University in the 2012/2013 academic year.
- Must provide a proof of participation in community services.
- Must participate in the ASM Scholarship Awards Ceremony on June 10, 2012.

## **SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

Thanks to the generous support from individuals and corporations, we are able to offer the following scholarships:

1<sup>st</sup> Award: \$1,500 + Floating Trophy

2<sup>nd</sup> Award: \$1,000

3<sup>rd</sup> Award : \$ 750

### **Arya Samaj Recognition Award: \$ 1,000**

Awarded to an applicant who has demonstrated outstanding involvement within the Arya Samaj community.

Recipients of scholarships and awards are chosen based on academic excellence, community involvement, as well as public speaking skills and interviews. Scholarship winners will be announced at the ASM Scholarship Awards Ceremony on June 10, 2012.

**For further information on the Arya Samaj Markham Scholarship Program, please contact:**

Ajit Wadhwa (416) 491-7584

Superna Shahi (416) 830-7447

Ken Norman (416) 705-2003

Or by email to [scholarship.asm@gmail.com](mailto:scholarship.asm@gmail.com)



**1 PERSONAL INFORMATION (please print)**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male  Female

**Secondary Institution Graduating From**

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Board: \_\_\_\_\_

**2 ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Please list your best 5 Subject marks for Grade 12

- English must be one of the subjects listed
- For Grade 12 –please provide either your Final Marks from Term 1 or your Mid-Term mark from Term 2
- Enclose an official Secondary School Transcript and most recent Grade 12 report card or provide same no later than the time of your interview on May 12, 2012.

**Grade 12**

	Subject Name	Final or Mid-Term	Final Mark
1	English (mandatory)		
2			
3			
4			
5			

**3 EDUCATIONAL INTENTIONS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL**

University  College

Name of educational institution you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide a copy of your acceptance letter or confirmation of acceptance.**

Anticipated course of study and degree/diploma sought:

\_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated start date: \_\_\_\_\_

**4 WORK EXPERIENCE AND/OR EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Provide a document outlining all current or previous work experience and/or extra-curricular activities you are involved in.

**5 OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE**

List your 3 most significant volunteer or community service activities and provide proof of participation, along with reference letters, if available. (You may list here or provide on a separate document)

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Duration of Involvement</u>	<u>Nature of Involvement / Recognition Received</u>
1.) _____	_____	_____
2.) _____	_____	_____
3.) _____	_____	_____

**6 PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING**

- Total Number of Volunteer Hours
- Describe in 150 words or less: “ Why do you feel you deserve this scholarship”.

Please ensure an official secondary school transcript and most recent Grade 12 Report card is included with your application or provide same no later than the time of your interview on May 12, 2012.

I have read and I agree to the following statements:

- The information provided in my application is complete and accurate; and
- All information on this application is subject to verification by the Arya Samaj Markham Scholarship Program Committee and I also agree to provide any related documentation requested.

Applicant’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return your completed application to:

Arya Samaj Markham  
Vedic Cultural Centre  
#4345 - 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Markham, ON L3R 0J2  
ATTN: Coordinator - Scholarship Program

**NOTE:** APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THIS ADDRESS NO LATER THAN 5:00PM FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2012. You will be contacted one week after the Scholarship application closing date with details of the public speaking and interviews to be held on Saturday May 12, 2012.

**Awards will be announced at our Awards ceremony to be held on Sunday, June 10, 2012.**