

The REDspace Scholarship

Terms of Reference

The IT industry is always evolving. Because of this, it requires a certain type of person, one who is passionate and excited about the opportunity to use technology to create change and empower the world.

This scholarship fund from **REDspace** recognizes these qualities in the chosen applicant and their potential to make an impact. The scholarship will be awarded to a passionate young woman pursuing an **Information Technology-related degree or diploma** in **Nova Scotia**.

Overview

- The scholarship has been funded through a generous contribution from **REDspace** - a proud Techsploration supporter.
- One scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded **for the 2018-2019 post-secondary school year**.
- The scholarship is non-renewable.
- Applications will be accepted until **March 25th, 2018** for the 2018-2019 school year.
- The total amount of the scholarship will be paid in full to the student recipient, and **Techsploration** will undertake the administration and stewardship of the funds.

Criteria

The recipients must meet the following criteria:

- Been accepted with an admissions average of 80% or higher from grade 12 December/January exams or final grade 12 marks; or continuing post-secondary studies with an average of 80% or higher.
- Must self-identify as female.
- Must be registered in an **accredited Information Technology-related** program in **Nova Scotia**.
- Preference will be given to Techsplorer Alumnae and graduates of [Techsploration High Schools](#) in Nova Scotia.

Application Form

1. Please complete the following (please print):

Name in full (first, middle & last): _____

Address: _____

Phone: () _____

Email: _____

Post-secondary Program and Institution: _____

Student Number: _____

Name of school you attended when you were in the Techsploration Program:

2. The Essay

The applicant must write a one-page essay and attach it to her application. The winning applicant may be asked to read her essay at a Techsploration Event. Please note that the Selection Committee will take essay presentation (i.e. grammar, neatly typed, consistent formatting, etc.) into consideration as part of the judging process. The essay will include, but not be limited to, the following information:

- *Describe the impact of how being exposed to IT jobs and programs like Techsploration (role models, the overall experience, etc.) have had on you. How did it influence your decision to pursue your potential area of study?*
- *Describe any community, volunteer, leadership, or employment activities in which you are involved.*
- *Describe what made you choose the program for which you have been accepted and in what area of study you might have an interest.*
- *What challenges or opportunities do you think you might encounter as a woman in IT and how would you address/embrace them?*

3. An Academic/Community Reference

The applicant may ask a teacher, employer, or community leader to write a letter of recommendation on their behalf. The letter must be limited to one page and be signed by the reference.

UNDERTAKING BY APPLICANT:

I have read the regulations that govern the REDspace Scholarship and make application upon the conditions stated.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please Note: Include this completed application form, a copy of your essay, and a transcript of your academic record within your application package. This information must be received by March 25, 2018.

Please send it to:

REDspace Scholarship Selection Committee
c/o Techsploration
Unit 5A – 800A Windmill Road
Dartmouth, NS
B3B 1L1

Contact: Please contact Emily Boucher at emily.boucher@techsploration.ca should you have any questions regarding the application process.