

The J.D. Smith and Sons “*Leaders of Tomorrow*” Scholarship

J.D. Smith and Sons Limited is pleased to sponsor an annual scholarship which recognizes one university student each year who demonstrates a commitment to his/her community, school, or other volunteer undertaking through exemplary leadership qualities.

J.D. Smith and Sons is proud of its history as an innovative leader in the road transportation and logistics industry, both from operational and industry leadership perspectives. Founded in 1919, J.D. Smith and Sons started as a family 2-truck operation, and grew significantly under the leadership of the founder’s son, Doug Smith, who was the company’s president for 40 years. By the time Doug retired in 1994, the company had grown to a fleet size of 100 power units.

Doug’s greatest contributions may have been the direct result of his natural leadership abilities. In 1963, Doug was one of a handful of visionaries who helped to establish the Industrial Cartage Association (now the Toronto Trucking Association) to fill the role of representing cartage companies and the industry for the benefit and betterment of both. Doug also served as the chairman of the Ontario Trucking Association from 1985 to 1987. His contribution to the Ontario Trucking Industry was recognized in 1982, when he was awarded the *Trailmobile Service to Industry Award*. Regarded as the highest honour, the award recognizes an individual who by his/her commitment, vision, leadership and unflagging service, has made an outstanding contribution to the development and success of the road transport industry.

J.D. Smith’s leadership tradition continues through its third-generation president Scott Smith, who has continued to represent the trucking industry through the Toronto Trucking Association (President, 1996 – 1998), the Ontario Trucking Association (Chairman, 2004 – 2006), the Canadian Trucking Alliance, and the OTA Education Foundation Inc. Scott’s brother, Brian Smith, served as President of the Toronto Trucking Association (2008 – 2010). Under their current-day leadership, Scott and Brian have expanded J.D. Smith and Sons into an integrated third-party distribution and logistic services provider, which includes a network of modern warehousing facilities and an extensive fleet of trucks, tractors, and trailers, all coordinated by state of the art IT systems.

This scholarship is awarded in the memory of Doug Smith, to an Ontario university student who is the son or daughter of a parent employed in the trucking industry. Doug’s contributions to the trucking industry, a product of his vision and leadership, will live forever.

Applications will be assessed on academic performance, community service, and initiative and/or success through activities in which the applicant’s leadership qualities are demonstrated. The scholarship recipient will be selected by the OTA Education Foundation Selection Committee. The maximum scholarship amount is \$1,250.

Eligibility Criteria

In order to be considered for a scholarship, each applicant must be:

- Enrolled at a public Ontario university on a full-time basis.
- 25 years of age or younger as of January 1 of the academic year for which the scholarship applies.
- The son or daughter of a parent who works (employed or full-time contract) in the Ontario trucking industry.

Application Requirements

The following must be provided by **July 15th**:

- A completed *J.D. Smith and Sons “Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship* application form. Applications received by fax or email will not be eligible, unless submitted only to meet the application deadline. However, ***original forms and documents must be submitted by mail.***
- A *Curriculum Vitae* of past initiatives and/or accomplishments that demonstrates your leadership qualities and abilities.
- A type-written essay of 500 words or less that describes how your leadership attributes have contributed to your personal success, as well as to your community or school. Please include your future aspirations relevant to ongoing community service, charitable work, and your career.
- A minimum of two (2) reference letters related to your leadership initiatives/accomplishments.

The following must be provided by **July 30th**:

- An ***official*** transcript from your most recent academic year with final (not mid-term) marks, which ***must be sent directly from the issuing institution*** to the OTA Education Foundation. Students who are applying for multiple *OTA Education Foundation* scholarships are permitted to arrange for only one official transcript to be sent to the Foundation. Applicants are asked to indicate that they are applying for other Foundation scholarships on the application form.

Please Note: Only the scholarship winner will be notified. Scholarship funds will be advanced to the student’s post-secondary institution and will be credited to the account identified by the student number provided on the application.

APPLICATION FORM FOR ACADEMIC YEAR COMMENCING: 20 _____

I. Personal Data				
Last Name:	First Name:	<input type="checkbox"/> male <input type="checkbox"/> female	Date of Birth: Y _____ M _____ D _____	
Address:			Social Insurance # ¹ : _____ - _____ - _____	
City:	Province:	Postal Code:		
Cell Phone/Text #: ()	Email: _____ @ _____			
II. Education History				
Most recent academic year completed: <input type="checkbox"/> Grade 12 [complete (a)] OR <input type="checkbox"/> Year _____ of a _____ year post-secondary program [complete (b)]				
(a) Name and Location of Secondary School:				
(b) Name(s) and Location(s) of Post-Secondary School(s) since the Completion of Secondary School:				
Name of Institution	Location	Field of Study	Full-Time/Part-Time	Start Date (mm/yyyy)
III. Current or Proposed Full-Time Studies				
Name of University:		Student #:		
Campus Name:	Location (City):	Length of Program (years):		
Level of Study	<input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate (Bachelor) Degree	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate (Master’s) Degree	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
Program Name/Faculty	Degree Name:			
IV. Affiliation with Trucking Industry				
Name of parent employed in/contracted to trucking company:		Position:	Employed/Contracted since (year):	
Name of Company:		Location of Company:		
Manager Name (print):	Position:	Signature:	Date:	
V. Transcript				
<input type="checkbox"/> Official Transcript Requested. School Name:		Transcript Deadline: July 30th		
<input type="checkbox"/> I am applying for other OTA Education Foundation scholarships, and understand that I only need to request one transcript. Please link my transcript to the following additional applications:				
<input type="checkbox"/> OTA Education Foundation Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> OTA Allied Trades Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> The Erb Group of Companies “Service to Community” Scholarship		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bison Transport Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/> OTA Professional Driver Memorial Scholarship			
VI. Declaration				
I hereby certify that the above information is true and that any false information will automatically disqualify me from eligibility for an OTA Education Foundation Scholarship. I also agree to allow the OTA Education Foundation to publish my name, essay, letter or portions thereof in news releases, annual reports, the OTA Education Foundation’s website, or other material used for promotional purposes only.				
Name in Print: _____	Signature: _____	Date: _____		

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- Include a minimum of two (2) reference letters related to your leadership initiatives/accomplishments.
- An **official transcript** of your most recent *final* (not mid-term) marks, which must be sent directly from the issuing institution to the OTA Education Foundation, must be received by **July 30th**.

¹The OTA Education Foundation will issue T4A Tax Slips to all scholarship recipients. Scholarship funds will not be advanced until the student’s social insurance number has been provided. This information will only be used to meet the Foundation’s legal requirements regarding the issuance of tax slips.