

Student Citizenship Awards Information

APPLY ONLINE AT:

www.saskpublicschools.ca/student-citizenship-awards

Deadline for Nominations:

April 15, 2026

Public Schools of Saskatchewan Student Citizenship Awards

Public Schools of Saskatchewan recognize public school student groups or classes that support citizenship or character building within their schools or community by providing annual Student Citizenship Awards. Student groups or classes at elementary and high school are recognized for their contributions. There are three \$1000 awards for grade 1 to grade 8 and three \$1000 awards for grades 9 to 12.

Program Outline

- **a.** Public schools, with school division support, can apply for recognition of student activities related to citizenship and character development.
- b. Awards will be provided for groups of students or classrooms (not individual students).
- **c.** Funds awarded may be used for initiating new activities or continuing/expanding existing activities related to citizenship and character education.
- **d.** Applications will be received by April 15 annually and awards will be presented at the June general meeting of the Public Schools of Saskatchewan (Public Section).
- e. Questions? Contact Lynn Little at <publicsection@sasktel.net>

Criteria

All or some of the following criteria will be applied when the student activities are considered for the awards.

- a. Promoting the value of public education.
- b. Making a difference in the school or the community.
- **c.** Promoting democratic values.
- d. Making an environmental impact.

Applications Require

- Completed online application.
- A (maximum) five-minute video from the group that describes in detail the project or initiative they are carrying out or planning; explains how the project or initiative relates to citizenship or character education; and identifies why they feel they merit recognition for the award.
- Support from a school administrator; and
- Support from the school division.

Video Submission Guidelines

For your application to be valid, you must upload the video file directly using the online form.

- We cannot accept links to videos hosted on online creation platforms (e.g., Canva, Adobe Express) or streaming sites (e.g., YouTube, Vimeo, Google Drive, Microsoft Teams).
- Why? This ensures our judges can reliably access and review your submission.
- How to get your file: Most online video tools have an "Export," "Download," or "Share as File" option. Please download the video to your computer or device before uploading it here.

<u>Technical Specifications</u>

- Accepted Formats: MP4 or MOV preferred. AVI or WMV are also acceptable.
- Maximum Duration: 5 minutes
- Maximum File Size: 1 GB

Examples

Some examples of student citizenship activities that may be considered for awards:

- Supporting academic activities in the classroom or the school, for example: working with younger children.
- Helping people with special needs in school or in the community.
- Participating in community causes or activities.
- Fundraising for good causes or participating in community fundraising events.
- Volunteering for school or community organizations, with significant time commitment.
- Helping seniors in the community, for example: shoveling sidewalks or helping with yardwork.
- Fostering an understanding of democracy or democratic values through specific activities in the school or the community; or
- Involving themselves in socially or environmentally responsible projects or activities.

Submissions received after the deadline will not be adjudicated.

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