

Congratulations to the 2024 Bursary Recipients,
Central Kings Rural High School – Lauren Beaudin & Liam Kozera
Horton High School – Owen Jones
Northeast Kings Educational Centre – Emma Bezanson
West Kings High School – Makaya Anthony & Hallie Blatch

Graduating Students from six (6) high schools in Kings County were invited to submit an essay for the 2024 Municipality of the County of Kings Bursary Program, responding to,

“The Municipality of the County of Kings understands the importance of first-person voices, experiences, and perspectives.

If you were given a budget of \$2,000 to host an event to encourage and increase youth engagement with the Municipality, what would you do?

Consider and describe the who, what, where, when, and why.”

Submissions

Thirty-three (33) eligible submissions were received by the May 15, 2025, deadline:

- 13 from Central Kings
- 6 from Horton
- 4 from West Kings
- 10 from NKEC
- 0 from École Rose-des-Vents
- 0 from Kings County Adult High School

Evaluation

Submissions were evaluated by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor using the following criteria:

- Effectiveness in addressing the essay question
- Creativity and depth of response
- Spelling and grammar

Note: Identifying information and cover pages were removed prior to evaluations.

Applicants who included the required cover page details were awarded one additional point by staff.

Awards

Six (6) bursaries of \$1,000 each are available—one for a graduating student from each of the following high schools:

- Central Kings
- École Rose-des-Vents
- Horton
- Kings County Adult High School
- NKEC
- West Kings

Note: This year, no submission was received from two of the eligible schools. To ensure all available funds are awarded in support of graduating students, the unused bursaries were awarded to the next highest overall scoring from all submissions.

Schools were contacted to include the bursary award in their 2025 graduation ceremony for each recipient.