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SCHOLARSHIP AWARD ESSAY CONTEST

Contest Rules and Details

Congratulations on your decision to enter the Bayshore Credit Union Scholarship Award Essay Contest. Once again, our essay contest is also supported by Loyalist Management Systems, who have generously donated a laptop computer, printer, and carrying case, which will be awarded, as well as the scholarship, to the grand prize winner.

This is an essay contest on the topic of "THE ROLE OF CO-OPERATIVES IN OUR COMMUNITY". The following are the contest rules and guidelines:

1. The contest is open to all graduating students who have been conditionally accepted into, and are planning to attend a post-secondary institution.
2. Each submitted essay must be type written, double-spaced, on 8 ½" x 11" paper and 1,000 – 1,200 words in length. Each essay must have a cover sheet stating the entrant's name, address, phone number, and current school.
3. Proof of conditional or complete acceptance into a post-secondary institution must accompany each essay.
4. All essays must be written on the topic "The Role of Co-operatives in Our Community".
5. The grand prize award of a \$5,000 scholarship, and a laptop computer/printer/carry case package valued at over \$1,400, as well as the runner up prize of a \$2,500 scholarship will be awarded based on the judged results of essays submitted. Judging will be the sole responsibility of a panel representing the Hastings and Prince Edward County Public and Separate Schools board, Quinte Christian School, and East Northumberland Secondary School.
6. The Laptop package donated by Loyalist Management Systems includes the following: The laptop is an ACER TM5720-6340, with Windows XP Pro; Intel Core 2 Duo 2.0 GHz Processor with 4MB L2 Cache; 1GB DDR2 667 SDRAM; 120GB SATA Hard Drive; SuperMulti Drive (DVD-RW); Card Reader; 15.4" Display; Intel GMA X3100 Graphics; 802.11 a/b/g Wireless LAN; Gigabit LAN, 6 Cell Battery. Also included is a Canon PIXMA iP1800 Photo Printer with Canon printer ink, and a Targus Carry Case. This computer package is valued at over \$1,400.
7. Please do not include personal information which might identify yourself, or the school you attend in the content of your essay or on any page other than the required cover page.
8. Essays will be judged on the following criteria:
 - a. Topic knowledge
 - b. Quality of research –citing sources
 - c. Writing style
 - d. Evidence of critical thinking
9. The decision of the judging panel is final.
10. Completed essays must be received no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, June 6, 2008.
11. Completed essays can be dropped off or mailed to any branch of Bayshore Credit Union Ltd., or at Loyalist Management Systems – See attached list for addresses.
12. All essays become the property of Bayshore Credit Union Ltd.
13. The winner will be notified by no later than June 20, 2008.
14. The awards will be made by way of cheque, payable to the winners, and the post secondary institutions to be attended, and delivery in person of the laptop computer and printer package.

GOOD LUCK!!

**ESSAYS MUST BE RECEIVED BY NO LATER THAN
5:00 PM, JUNE 6, 2008
at one of the following locations:**

**Bayshore Credit Union - Belleville Branch
P.O. Box 878
191 North Front Street.,
Belleville, ON
K8N 5B5
(613)966-5550**

**Bayshore Credit Union - Trenton Branch
Trenton Town Centre
266 Dundas St. E.,
Unit 101,
Trenton, ON
K8V 5Z9
(613)394-4872**

**Bayshore Credit Union - Frankford Branch
34 South Trent St.,
PO BOX 120
Frankford, ON
K0K 2C0
(613)398-6103**

**Loyalist Management Systems
393 Sidney St.,
Unit 7
Belleville, ON
K8P 3Z9
(613)968-4876**