

BCSTA Student Citizenship Award - Scoring

Scoring Instructions

- Each category is scored on a 5-point scale (0-5 points)
- Total possible score: 25 points
- All four categories are weighted equally
- Applications must include all required components to be eligible for scoring

Scoring Guidelines

Total Score Interpretation:

- **20-25 points:** Exceptional candidate - strong recommendation for award
- **15-19 points:** Strong candidate - good recommendation for award
- **10-14 points:** Adequate candidate - consideration for award
- **Below 10 points:** Does not meet award standards

Minimum Requirements (Must be met to be eligible):

- Currently completing K-12 education in BC public school system (2025/26 school year)
- Acceptance to recognized post-secondary institution or skills training program
- Complete application package submitted by February 15, 2026, 11:59 PM
- All required documents included and properly signed
- Essay within 1000-word limit
- **For Indigenous Ancestry category only:** Applicant must note Indigenous ancestry on application form

Tie-Breaking Criteria (in order of priority):

1. Community Impact/Personal Growth & Impact score
2. Citizenship Essay score
3. Activities/Leadership/Service score
4. Letters of Recommendation score

Special Considerations:

- Indigenous Ancestry category applicants may include cultural connections as their community involvement as part of, or all of, their citizenship contributions.
- The Overcoming Obstacles category requires clear evidence of significant challenges that could have impacted the educational journey