

2818

Royal Canadian Army Cadet  
Corps

Hastings & Prince Edward Regiment



***PROMOTION,  
SCHOLARSHIP, BURSARY  
&  
AWARD CRITERIA***

# AWARDS

## **Lord Strathcona Trust Medal**

The origin of the Strathcona Foundation dates back to 1909. Lord Strathcona, then High Commissioner for Canada in London, England, wished to improve the physical and intellectual capabilities of youths by encouraging habits of self-discipline, good citizenship and patriotism.

To this end, he created a foundation bearing his name.

In 1923, a medal was struck and awarded to the most deserving cadet of each corps. The medal is the highest award that can be granted to a cadet. The recipient is singled out amongst their peers by an outstanding performance and personal involvement in the community.

The Lord Strathcona Medal (LSM) is the highest Award which can be bestowed upon a Cadet in recognition of exemplary performance in physical and military training.

### **Selection Criteria**

The recipient must have a complete knowledge of the activities of the cadet movement and must meet the following requirements:

- a. have a high level of physical fitness;
- b. have qualified to a training level of at least Silver Star
- c. have met all requirements of their corps' mandatory training program and attended at least 75 per cent of the scheduled training parades in the year
- d. have met all requirements of their corps' optional/support training program and attended at least 50 per cent of the scheduled activities
- e. have completed three years as a cadet,
- f. be regarded by peers and supervisors as exemplifying the model cadet
- g. completed a six-week senior cadet summer training course.

## **Legion Medal of Excellence**

The Royal Canadian Legion Cadet Medal of Excellence (RCLCME) recognizes individual endeavors of a citizenship nature, which meet or enhance the purposes and objectives of the Cadet organizations. It is wholly sponsored and awarded by the Royal Canadian Legion.

Each Army Cadet Corps or Squadron may award one RCLCME each training year, provided a worthy candidate is available. The main theme in awarding the RCLCME is to emphasize the citizenship aspects of the Cadet program.

Cadet must have annually completed the following milestones in each of three years of cadet training:

To be eligible for consideration, a cadet must meet the following conditions:

- a) met all requirements of the corps annual mandatory and optional training programs;
- b) participated in a minimum of three community service events (more weight given to events outside of the cadet program) in addition to those supported by the cadet unity through the LHQ program;
- c) regarded by peers and superiors as exemplifying the model cadet;
- d) Enhance the cadet corps through:
  - i) co-operation with peers and subordinates;
  - ii) comradeship;
  - iii) promoting goodwill and morale within the corps;
  - iv) aiding in the development of group identity and cohesiveness;
  - v) supporting and assisting fellow unit members; and
  - vi) his/her involvement in the local community

## The Farley Mowat Award

This Award was donated by Warrant Officer Ross Thistle, a former member of the Hastings & Prince Edward Regiment, and Regular Force Volunteer with the unit.

Farley Mowat was a Canadian Author who served as a platoon commander and as the regiment's Intelligence officer during the Second World War. He authored four books about the regiment and his experiences.

This award is presented to the cadet who has provided continuous and valuable feedback to his or her chain of command and peers in the spirit of continuous improvement.

In the words of Farley Mowat,

*"I have tried to be a spokesman for other beings who have no voice in how we treat them."*  
(Excerpt from "A Writer's Life".)

## The Chief Petawawa-Much Award

Donated by the Cadet Corps Commanding Officer, Captain Lisa Ann Millar.

Our affiliated unit, the Hasting's & Prince Edward Regiment's mascot is a wooden Indian by the name of Chief Petawawa-Much.

Chief Petawawa-Much was taken on strength to replace Little Chief, a massive pewter Indian taken from the roof of a canning factory in Picton prior to the regiment's departure for England in 1939.

Little Chief was lost during the Battle of France while the regiment evacuated. An unknown individual, in the interest of securing Chief Petawawa-Much's future, got him a Social Insurance Number.

**A mascot, is a person, animal or object used to bring luck to an organization, and is often a symbol of an organization or team used to increase "morale" or "esprit de corps". "Esprit de Corps" is defined as "a common spirit of comradeship, enthusiasm, and devotion to a cause among the members of a group."**

This award is presented to the cadet who has stimulated laughter and has made notable contributions to the "Esprit de Corps" and "Morale" of the 2818 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps—Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment.

## **Dave E. Wilson Trophy (Top Junior Cadet)**

This award was donated in 2013 by David E Wilson, a former military member and business owner who tirelessly supported the Belleville Army Cadets. It is awarded annually to the Top Junior Cadet, in either Green or Red Star, who has displayed excellence in his/her dress, deportment and attendance, as well as their loyalty, dedication and leadership to the Corps training program during the past year.

## **The Ack Ack Kennedy Award (Top Senior Cadet)**

This award was established in 1971 by the Ack Ack Kennedy Club of Oshawa, Ontario, in memory of Lieutenant-Colonel Albert A. Kennedy who commanded the Hastings & Prince Edward Regiment during the Italian Campaign in 1944.

It is awarded annually to the single most deserving Senior Cadet who has displayed excellence in his/her dress, deportment and attendance, as well as their loyalty, dedication and leadership to the Corps training program during the past year.

## **Lieutenant Colonel F.R. Allan Trophy**

This trophy was donated in 1968 by Lieutenant Colonel F.R. Allan for annual presentation to the Top Green Star Cadet.

The recipient of this award has been a very present and eager new cadet to 2818. They have participated in 94.44% of all Mandatory training. This cadet participated in every activity that 2818 offered this year. They were a member of the Orienteering team, Biathlon team, Drill team, and even attempted at a "shot" on the Marksmanship team. This cadet participates in our weekly fitness activities. This cadet was and continues to be extremely enthusiastic about his cadet career, and will, without a doubt continue to be one of 2818's shining stars.

## **Lieutenant Colonel K.D.H Willcocks Trophy**

This trophy was donated in 1968 by Lieutenant Colonel K.D.H Willcocks.

It is presented annually to the Most Improved Red Star Cadet for his/her attendance, dress and deportment and active participation in all aspects of cadet training.

## **Major Alexander Watt Cunningham Memorial Award**

This award was donated to the corps in 2006 in memory of Major Alexander Watt Cunningham and is presented annually to the top Silver Star Cadet.

## **Warrant Officer First Class H.L. Kokesh Trophy**

Presented annually to the cadet who has most improved his/her shooting skills during the past training year.

## **Bill Vallance Bushman Trophy**

Dedicated by Mr. Bill Vallance for his many dedicated years as a staff member of this unit. This trophy is awarded annually to the first or second year cadet who vigorously participates in all aspects of field exercise training and displays a natural ability and comfort in the bush.

## **Lieutenant Colonel Michael Blanchette Memorial Award**

In memory of Lieutenant Colonel Michael Blanchette, former Commanding Officer Canadian Forces Land & Advanced Warfare Centre, who was killed in the line of duty 5 September 2003.

For annual presentation to the Master Corporal or above who displays exceptional leadership skills and uses those leadership skills to mentor junior cadets.

## **Major S.A. Meeks Trophy**

This award was donated by Mrs. Ginger White in 2007 to honour the contributions made by her father, Major S.A. Meeks, to the Hastings & Prince Edward Regiment Army Cadets.

Originally, this trophy was awarded annually to the best overall section, however the staff of 2818 felt that this award did not adequately suit the vision of the cadet corps, and have rededicated the purpose of this award.

The aim of the Cadet Program is to develop in youth the attributes of good citizenship and leadership; promote physical fitness; and stimulate the interest of youth in the sea, land, and air activities of the Canadian Forces; however, each focuses on its own parent element.

The Major S.A. Meeks Trophy has been rededicated as the Fitness Health & Wellness Leadership Award, in recognition of the cadet or cadets who have strived to be a healthy role model; who demonstrates keen commitment to improved their Fitness, Health, and Wellness”

## **Sergeant Dana Whitmore Memorial Award**

This award is presented annually to the Senior Cadet who achieves the highest mark on the National Star of Excellence.

The National Star of Excellence (NSE) is an exciting challenge presented to all Army Cadets from the moment they start Gold Star. The NSE is not a training level. It is a merit-based system that will be working in parallel to the training levels. In order to accumulate points, practically everything cadet does and participates while in the program, is taken into consideration.

### **LEVELS**

NSE Level 1 the cadet must:

- pass all compulsory Gold Star POs;
- receive an enhanced assessment for at least 3 of the 6 POs for which the assessment exists
- in Gold Star training; and
- accumulate enough points to reach an overall score of at least 450 points.

NSE Level 2

- pass all compulsory Master Cadet POs;
- receive an enhanced assessment for at least 2 of the 4 POs for which the assessment exists in Master Cadet training; and
- accumulate enough points to reach an overall score of at least 750 points.

NSE Level 3

- be qualified as Master Cadet; and
- accumulate enough participation points to reach an overall score of at least 900 points.

NSE Level 4

- be qualified as Master Cadet; and
- accumulate enough participation points to reach an overall score of at least 1000 points.

This award was created with the kind permission of the Whitmore family to acknowledge the dedication and service of former cadet Sergeant Dana Whitmore.

## **Attendance Medals**

These medals are presented annually in recognition of exceptional attendance for the “MANDATORY” training activities and program. Attendance scores are calculated as of 15 MAY of each year.

Excellence: 100% (ZERO absences)

Gold - in recognition of attendance of 90-99.9% (no more than 1 excused absence)

Silver - in recognition of attendance between 85% and 89.9% (no more than 2 Excused absences)

Bronze - in recognition of attendance between 80-% and 84.9%  
(no more than 3 Excused absences)

## **Top Competition Team Member Awards**

These awards are presented annually to the single most deserving member of each Competition team.

Criteria for the award include; attendance, skill, teamwork, commitment and achievement. These awards are chosen and presented by the primary coach of each team.

Orienteering

Biathlon

Marksmanship

Drill team

## **Cadet Service Medals**

### **MEDAL :**

All Army Cadets are eligible for the Army Cadet Service Medal after four years of continuous and honourable service.

### **BAR:**

In addition to the Army Cadet Service Medal, for each additional year of continued and honourable service, the cadet is awarded “a bar” to the medal, with a flat burnished Maple Leaf.

# **PROMOTIONS**

## SELECTION PROCESS

Major promotions for each training year will be made no later than the last training parade of December.

In addition, cadets may be promoted around the last training parade of April, if a vacancy exists.

Cadets must meet National Standards of promotion in accordance with CATO 13-02 for the rank that the cadet is eligible for and have the recommendation of a supervisory Officer.

The selection process for promotion are as follows:

### **Promotion to Lance Corporal (LCpl)**

- participate in the first year of the start training program for a minimum period of five months, and;
- be recommended by the appropriate platoon commander or Supervisory Officer,

### **Promotion to Corporal (Cpl):**

- hold the rank of LCpl
- Have participated in the Cadet Fitness Assessment during the current training year,
- successfully complete year one of the Star training program, and
- be recommended by the appropriate platoon commander or Supervisory Officer, See Note 1.

### **Promotion to the rank of Master Corporal (MCpl):**

- completed at least six months of service at the rank of Cpl
- have successfully completed the second year of the star training program, and
- Have participated in the Cadet Fitness Assessment during the current training year,
- be recommended by the appropriate platoon commander or Supervisory Officer, See Note 1.

### **Promotion to the rank of Sergeant (Sgt):**

- completed at least six months service at the rank of MCpl,
- have successfully completed the third year of the star training program, and
- Have participated in the Cadet Fitness Assessment during the current training year,
- Have achieved a minimum of “completed without difficulty” in the Leadership PO for the appropriate level of training RCACC
- be recommended by the appropriate platoon commander or Supervisory Officer; See Note 1

### **Promotion to the rank of Warrant Officer (WO):**

- completed at least six months service at the rank of Sgt,
- have successfully completed the fourth year of the applicable star training program,
- Have participated in the Cadet Fitness Assessment during the current training year,
- Have achieved a minimum of “completed without difficulty” in the Leadership PO for the appropriate level of training
- have achieved enhanced proficiency in most subject areas, \* including leadership and instructional techniques, and
- be recommended by the appropriate platoon commander or Supervisory Officer; See Note 1.

#### Note 1:

Supervisory Officer Recommendation Guidelines and criteria:

- a. dress and deportment;
- b. conduct, discipline, and attitude;
- c. participation; d. response to direction;
- e. ability to interact positively and comfortably with others;
- f. ability to make sound judgments’ regarding their own actions;
- g. willingness to accept responsibility;
- h. ability to solve problems effectively;
- i. ability to communicate effectively;
- j. ability to set a positive example for others; and k. initiative.

### **Promotion to the rank of Master Warrant Officer (MWO):**

- completed at least six months service at the substantive rank of WO, and
- Make request/application for merit review process and submit Memo as required. (Note 2)
- be identified as a successful candidate through the merit review board process and point system.
- Have participated in the Cadet Fitness Assessment during the current training year,
- Have achieved a minimum of “completed without difficulty” in the Leadership PO for the appropriate level of training

### **Promotion to the rank of Chief Warrant Officer (CWO):**

- completed at least six months service at the substantive rank of MWO, (Does not include acting time in rank) and
- Make request/application for merit review process and submit narrative as required. (Note 2)
- be identified as a successful candidate through the merit review board process and point system.

*Note 2:(memo should include a request to sit a merit review board, and explain why the member should be considered for promotion, and the members plans, goals in their new rank)*

## **2818 Mentorship Bursary**

This award was created through donations for cadet or cadets moving on to Post-Secondary Education yet do not meet the criteria set forth for the Major Hugh Campbell Bursary offered by the Royal Canadian Legion.

The criteria to meet this award are as follows:

- They must be able to provide confirmation of registration in a full-time post-secondary education;
- They must have participated in 95% of the mandatory fund-raising efforts;
- They must have a minimum of 1 training year with the corps with a minimum of Bronze attendance;
- They must participate in public representation of the corps;
- They must have demonstrated strong leadership and mentoring skills not only as a serving member of 2818 but through community service

## **Poppy Trust Fund bursaries**

As part of the Legion's commitment to Veterans and their families, Legion Branches may grant bursaries through the Poppy Trust Fund to the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Veterans who need financial assistance to pursue a post-secondary education. These bursaries can **make a difference for Veterans' families and offers these children an opportunity to further their educational goals.** Bursaries may be granted at any stage of a college or university program.

Local Branches and Provincial Commands develop their eligibility requirements, deadlines and application procedures. [Contact the local Legion Branch](#) in your area for further information and assistance.

## **Scholarships**

As part of the Legion's commitment to youth, many Branches award scholarships through their General Funds to recognize scholastic achievement and support youth in their community. Criteria for these funds are established by the Branch or Provincial Command.

For information on bursaries and scholarships available in your province or community, please contact the [Legion Branch](#) nearest you.

The Legion is proud to support Canada's Cadets and recognizes their service by offering all graduating Cadets a one-year free membership in the Legion.

<http://www.legion.ca/docs/default-source/forms/one-year-free-membership.pdf?sfvrsn=0>

*Cadets may also apply for a number of Awards and Bursaries listed on the Army Cadet League website:*

<http://www.armycadetleague.on.ca/index.php/forms-docs/category/11-awards>

Other grants and Scholarships for youth:

Scholarships Canada: <http://www.scholarshipscanada.com/>

Find my scholarships: <http://www.findmyscholarships.com/>

YConic: <https://yconic.com/>

Inspire (Aboriginal): <https://inspire.ca/for-students/bursaries-scholarships/>

Smart Scholar: <http://www.smartscholar.com/>

LORAN: <http://www.loranscholar.ca/becoming-a-scholar/>

Horatio Algiers Association of Canada: <https://www.horatioalger.ca/en/scholarships>

Schulich Leaders Scholarships: <http://www.schulichleaders.com/>

LOCAL:

Medigas: [http://www.celebrityclassic.ca/scholarship\\_program.html](http://www.celebrityclassic.ca/scholarship_program.html)

Belleville Choral Society:

<http://mss.hpedsb.on.ca/images/stories/userfiles/files/BCS%20Scholarship%20Application%20Form.pdf>

Prince Edward District Women's Institute: <http://www.thecountywomensinstitute.ca/scholarships.html>

ARM Charter 29 Bursary: <http://mss.hpedsb.on.ca/images/stories/userfiles/files/ARM%20Chapter%2029.pdf>

Quinte Home Economics Association Education Award: (Moira SS for those entering Arts & Culinary)

Professional Engineers Ontario: [http://quinte.peo.on.ca/wordpress/?page\\_id=218](http://quinte.peo.on.ca/wordpress/?page_id=218)

ORBA(civil engineering): <http://orba.org/scholarships/>

Robert Argue Environment Scholarship:

<http://mss.hpedsb.on.ca/images/stories/userfiles/files/THE%20ROBERT%20ARGUE%20ENVIRONMENTAL%20SCHOLARSHIP-2016.pdf>

Quinte Arts Council:

[http://mss.hpedsb.on.ca/images/stories/userfiles/files/Susan%20Richardson%20Bursary%20application%20\(2\).pdf](http://mss.hpedsb.on.ca/images/stories/userfiles/files/Susan%20Richardson%20Bursary%20application%20(2).pdf)

Stephen Leacock Association:

<http://mss.hpedsb.on.ca/images/stories/userfiles/files/Stephen%20Leacock%20Short%20Story%20Scholarship.pdf>

Fund your Future/Scotiabank: <http://www.fundyourfuture.ca/default.aspx>

<http://www.fundyourfuture.ca/scholarships.aspx>

TD Canada Trust:

<https://www.tdcanadatrust.com/products-services/banking/student-life/scholarship-for-community-leadership/index.jsp>

Royal Bank of Canada: <https://scholarships.rbc.com/Overview.aspx>

Bank of Montreal: <https://bmocareers.com/students-and-grads/scholarship-programs/>

[http://scholarships.studentscholarships.org/bmo\\_bank\\_of\\_montreal\\_scholarship\\_2899.php](http://scholarships.studentscholarships.org/bmo_bank_of_montreal_scholarship_2899.php)

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC):

<https://www.cibc.com/en/student/student-life/cibc-scholarships.html>

<https://www.cibc.com/en/about-cibc/corporate-responsibility/community-and-sponsorship/community-investment/kids/cibc-youthvision.html>

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