

**WESTOBA UPDATES SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY PROGRAMS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF GRADUATING STUDENTS**

**BRANDON, MB** – Westoba Credit Union (Westoba) announces an update to their High School Scholarship program and Manitoba High School Bursary program for the 2022-2023 school year. The change has been made to better align with Westoba’s cooperative principles and meet the needs of graduating students.

“Westoba values and embraces a commitment to people, innovative thinking, learning, and knowledge,” said Jim Rediger, Westoba’s President and CEO. “We believe our scholarship program should align with these values and reward students who have demonstrated leadership within their school and have contributed in a positive way to making their school and community a better place.”

Along with changes to the eligibility criteria, Westoba is allowing students to take some time on their post-secondary decisions and still be eligible for the scholarship or bursary funds.

“Westoba recognizes driven, up-and-coming students who are ready to commit to building a better world,” said Rediger. “We also recognize that making decisions on their future education might take some time, and we are allowing that to happen.”

Westoba will hold the scholarship and bursary funds in trust for the student for 12 months post-graduation to allow for enrollment or acceptance to a post-secondary institution of their choice.

The change to Westoba’s graduation scholarship program will be in effect for the 2022-2023 school year and will be managed by the high schools. The Westoba Student Bursary Contest is available to all graduating Manitoba High School students through a video submission process open from June 13 to June 30, 2022. The Westoba Student Bursary eligibility criteria are available at [westoba.com](http://westoba.com).

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**ABOUT WESTOBA CREDIT UNION**

Westoba Credit Union is a full-service financial institution that operates on Treaty 1, 2 & 5 the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, Dene, Inninnowuk, Saulteaux people, and the homeland of the Metis Nation. Westoba respects the Treaties that were made on these territories. Centralized in Brandon, Manitoba, Westoba has 13 locations (including the corporate office) throughout the province, employing approximately 200 people.

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