## **SCHOLARSHIP PREP 101**

## . RESUME

- should be on one page if possible on letterhead

## . REFERENCE LETTERS

- start asking in Grade 11
  - High School Principal
  - 2 Teachers
  - Volunteer Work
  - · Coach/Leader of a Sport/Club
  - Job or Work Experience

Ask for 5 or more signed letters, this way you don't need to bother them every week/month. Always make copies of your reference letters

## . ESSAYS

Max. usually 300, 500, 750, or 1000 words. Easy to count with computers. Make sure you save them on your computer and update them all the time, saves you a lot of work. Start with an essay about yourself, include:

- Why your applying for a scholarship.
- How a scholarship will help you achieve your personal and professional goals.
- Why are you the perfect candidate for the scholarship.
- Once you have a basic essay completed you can tweak it to fit different scholarships applied to.,