

# BC RETIRED TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION GOLDEN STAR AWARDS

**PURPOSE:** The BCRTA believes that within every community there is a wealth of knowledge and wisdom among seniors that could be used to enhance the learning experience of students at every grade level, right from Kindergarten through Grade 12. Retired educators realize that many such programs, in fact, already exist in our public schools.

Therefore, five (5) BCRTA Golden Star Awards have been created to recognize and reward established school programs in the public system that have, as the focus, the interaction of BC students with seniors.

In conjunction with the Royal Canadian Legion, BC Yukon Command Foundation, a sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) Golden Star Award has been created to recognize and reward established school programs in the public system that have, as the salient feature, the interaction of BC students and seniors and/or Veterans in intergenerational projects featuring remembrance and patriotism.

Programs that feature intergenerational projects, whether at the classroom, department, school, district or community level, that have been in operation for a minimum of one full school year are eligible for award consideration.

**AWARDS:** There are six monetary awards of \$1500 each

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENT:** The applicant <u>must</u> complete <u>all</u> sections of the application form. Only completed applications will be considered.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**: April 15<sup>th</sup> of each school year

**PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:** Successful programs must demonstrate the interaction of seniors with BC public school students or in the case of the  $6^{th}$  award, the interaction of seniors and/or Veterans with BC public school students, and:

- require students to think and work creatively with their peers and with seniors;
- access and use the community as a resource;
- require students to work cooperatively with each other and outside sources;
- use a variety of media to report, communicate and display results of the program to peers and to the wider community.

**USE OF AWARD MONEY:** The award money is to be used to enhance the program.

## GOLDEN STAR AWARDS APPLICATION FORM

Date of Application					
Applicant's Name					
Relationship to program		<del></del>			
Teacher's Name (if different)					
School's Name					
School Principal's Name					
School Address					
	City		Postal Code		
School Telephone					
School website address					
Title: Mr Mrs	contact person	n.)			
First Name	Surname				
Home Phone	Work Phone				
E-mail					
Preferred contact method: E-	-mail Wo	ork Phone	Home Phone		
Contact person's signature					
For BCRTA Office Use Only:					
ostmarked Date Received					

#### **Program Objectives:**

Explain how your program fulfills the objectives (see page one) of the Golden Star Awards program. Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.

### **Program Description:**

- Grade level of students:
- Number of students involved:
- Involvement of seniors:
- Number of seniors involved:
- How long has the program been in place:
- How often the intergenerational interaction occurs over the school year:
- Specify the skills the students gain through participation in the program:
- Describe the program in detail:
- Describe in your own words what the program has meant to you and your students

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If you would like to be considered for the Legion Golden Star Award, please add in detail, how your project involves students and seniors and/or Veterans in an ongoing program featuring remembrance and patriotism.
Evidence: As part of this application please include supporting materials to assist the Award adjudicators to assess how successfully the Award objectives have been met (i.e. examples of student work; photographs, newspaper articles; multimedia evidence on USB stick)
Use of Prize Money: Explain how the prize money will be used to enhance your program
Previous Winners: What year was your program awarded a Golden Star? How has your program evolved /changed?

## APPLICATION PACKAGE CHECKLIST

(Please read carefully)

APPLICANT YES/NO	APPLICATION PACKAGE	BCRTA YES/NO
	Applicant/contact page is complete	
	Name of program section is complete	
	Program description section is complete	
	Program objectives section is complete	
	Evidence section is complete	
	Use of prize money section is complete	
	Application & attachments submitted in one single package to BCRTA Office by April 15 deadline	
	Previous BCRTA Golden Star Award winner (see Page 4 for instructions)	
	Submitting the Application  Mail or courier the application and all supporting material to:  Golden Star Awards BCRTA Suite 100 - 550 West 6th Avenue Vancouver, BC V5Z 4P2	