

**APSEA DHH TRUST FUNDS
AWARDS FOR LEARNERS WHO ARE DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING**

DHH AWARD APPLICATION

The APSEA DHH Trust Fund Committee, on a yearly basis, determines the selection of these awards.

The application deadline for all Awards is May 1st annually. Please submit the completed application to:

Administrative Assistant, DHH Programs
dhh@apsea.ca
Kyle_Hatt@apsea.ca

Application Requirements for DHH Awards (other than DHH Book Award):

The following documents must be included with the application:

- A letter (1 page or less) or video (3 minutes or less) from the nominee describing why they should receive this award.
- A letter of recommendation (school team member, member of the community, or APSEA staff) which should, where applicable include:
 - o Reasons the student should receive the award.
 - o The student's achievements as reflected in the award criteria.
 - o The setting in which these accomplishments occurred.

DHH Resilience Award

Award: \$500

This award recognizes a student who is Deaf or hard of hearing in grades 6-12 who has demonstrated determination, perseverance, commitment, and resilience in some aspect of their life – behavior, attitude, academics.

DHH Self-Advocacy Award

Award: \$500

This award recognizes a student who is Deaf or hard of hearing in any grade who has demonstrated achievement that far exceeds expectations in assuming practical responsibility for oneself, advancing one's goals, or advocating for one's needs, such as effectively obtaining appropriate accommodations.

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DHH Leadership Award

Award: \$500

This award recognizes a student who is Deaf or hard of hearing in grades 6-12 who has demonstrated exceptional leadership involvement in their school and/or community throughout the school year. The recipient of this award may demonstrate some of the following leadership characteristics:

Personal Qualities:

- dependable and accountable
- committed to academic achievement
- demonstrates initiative and is self-motivated/directed
- empathetic and sensitive to the needs of others
- works effectively in a group (able to delegate/influence in a positive way)
- self-advocates

Participation:

- participates in a variety of activities in school and/or the community
- maintains good relations with peers and adults
- is involved in volunteering
- initiates and commits to school, social, community events

Students who exhibit at least one characteristic from each of these two areas may be nominated for this award.

DHH Book Award

Award: \$25 Book Gift Card

This award recognizes children and youth who are Deaf or hard of hearing who appreciate reading. A maximum of 50 Book Awards will be distributed annually. **This award does not require additional documentation.**

Name of Child/Youth:	
Itinerant Teacher:	