

Newfoundland and Labrador Teachers' Association



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NLTA Scholarship Winners

Six Newfoundland and Labrador students who completed high school last June have been awarded NLTA scholarships for 2015-16. They are: **Olivia Cumbie** (Holy Spirit High), daughter of Denise Cumbie, Conception Bay South; **Aaron Hillier** (Indian River High), son of Heather Denise Hillier, Springdale; **Ashley Loveless** (John Watkins Academy), daughter of Janet Loveless, Hermitage; **Maria Park** (Corner Brook Regional High), daughter of P. Michelle Park, Corner Brook; **Evan Penney** (Holy Trinity High), son of Erinne Kearsay, Torbay; and **Nicholas Power** (Exploits Valley High), son of Edgar Power, Grand Falls-Windsor.

The scholarships are awarded annually to dependents of active, retired, disabled or deceased members of the NLTA and are valued at \$1,000 each. Awards are based on the criteria used by the Department of Education for the selection of provincial scholarship recipients.

NLTA Medal Winner

Alicia Wells, originally from Bonavista, is the 2016 recipient of the Newfoundland and Labrador Teachers' Association Medal.

Alicia graduated from Memorial University at the Spring 2016 convocation with a Bachelor of Education Degree (Primary/Elementary). During her studies in the Faculty, Alicia maintained an excellent academic record with an overall average of 89.45% in her Education courses. She was the recipient of numerous scholarships throughout her degree for her academic merit and was named to the Dean's List for 2014-15.

Alicia completed her teaching practicum at Matthew Elementary in Bonavista. During her internship placement she was very involved in school life and participated and volunteered in a host of extracurricular activities. Alicia received a glowing reference from her cooperating teacher who described her as "an enthusiastic and motivated intern" who "had shown great initiative in all areas within the classroom". She commented that Alicia was "well on the way to becoming a fantastic teacher!"

Alicia was accepted into the Special Education Degree program at Memorial for Fall 2016 and plans to further her studies by eventually receiving her Masters.

The NLTA Medal is awarded annually to an Education student who, during his/her academic career, has made an outstanding contribution to the Faculty of Education and to the University. The recipient must be a graduating student and have a consistently good academic record in the professional courses required for the degree. The award is made by Memorial University on the recommendation of the Dean of Education.



Alicia Wells

NLTA Scholarship Winner

Lisa Symonds of Mount Pearl has been named the 2016-17 recipient of the NLTA Scholarship.

Lisa first attended Memorial University after graduating high school in 2006. She completed some general studies courses for a few years while deciding which career path to pursue. Lisa always knew that teaching was something she wanted to do, however, she also wanted to travel and experience life in another province. With a passion for Interior Design she decided to move to Ontario where she completed a two-year diploma program at Sheridan College. Being away from home and living on her own allowed Lisa to discover who she really was and helped her decide what she really wanted to do with her life. In 2013, Lisa moved back home to attend Memorial University, again with hopes of getting accepted into the Faculty of Education to start her journey to become a teacher. Lisa says she is very appreciative that her efforts are being recognized by the Faculty and Education and she hopes to continue her success as she completes her final semester at Memorial University this winter.

The NLTA Scholarship is awarded annually on the basis of academic excellence and character to a senior student enrolled in the Faculty of Education. The scholarship, valued at \$1,000, is awarded annually by the MUN Senate Committee on Scholarships, acting on the recommendation of the Dean of Education.



Lisa Symonds