

News

New scholarships boost OC spirit

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A new scholarship program being introduced by Okanagan College will reward area high school students who have helped their communities.

The Okanagan College Community Spirit Awards are \$1,000 tuition scholarships for Okanagan College programs.

Forty of the scholarships will be distributed to high school

graduates annually who have a record of service to their school or their community or both. They must also have a grade average of at least 65 per cent on their Grade 11 and 12 courses to qualify.

"We really want to encourage those students who share the College's goal of being supportive to the communities we serve," said Jim Hamilton, col-

lege president.

"A \$1,000 scholarship will let recipients know that their efforts are valued. We see a lot of evidence of a well-developed sense of social responsibility among our students and want to encourage that."

The awards will be distributed throughout the Okanagan College region -- six going to Shuswap Revelstoke area stu-

dents, eight to North Okanagan students, 18 to Central Okanagan students, and another eight to South Okanagan students.

The deadline to apply for the Okanagan College Community Spirit Award is March 5, 2010.

Application forms will be made available on the Financial Aid and Awards website in late January 2010 at www.okanagan.bc.ca/financialaid.