



**Village of Point Edward**  
**2026 Maynard and Rene Walker Family Scholarship**

The 2026 recipient of the Maynard and Rene Walker Family Scholarship is Jordyn Guggisberg.

Jordyn is a graduate of St. Thomas D'Aquinas, St. Francis Xavier and St. Patrick's Catholic High School. Jordyn has extensive involvement in athletics both in school and in minor athletics, enjoying time sailing and playing volleyball. She has volunteered at St. Francis Xavier Highschool, The Irish Miracle, Christmas in the Village, in Point Edward, the Sarnia Yacht Club and as a tutor for students needing help with math and French studies. Jordyn will be attending the University of Guelph in September to study a Bachelor of Commerce and eventually wishes to study law.

"It is my honour to be selected as this year's recipient of the Maynard and Rene Walker Family Scholarship," said Jordyn, "It is my honour to be selected as this year's recipient of the Maynard and Rene Walker Family Scholarship, I am beyond grateful to be provided the opportunity to receive this scholarship to help me further my studies, while also continuing to make a positive contribution to our community. Point Edward was the Place I was born in, however, it is my forever home. It not only has helped me realize what it means to grow up in a small community where people care about each other but also how big a difference the people around you can make. I would like to sincerely thank the Walker family for creating this wonderful scholarship and I hope to do the family proud by striving to succeed in my post secondary career. »"

The Maynard and Rene Walker Family Scholarship was established in 2017 to honour Maynard and Rene. Maynard lived in Point Edward his entire life and served on the volunteer Fire Department for 35 years, serving as Chief from 1956 until 1979. Rene married Maynard and moved to Point Edward in 1949. Rene was very active in the Point Edward Presbyterian Church. Jordyn will be the 12<sup>th</sup> recipient of the Maynard and Rene Walker Family Scholarship.

"Once again, this year, we have had a number of high-achieving applicants for the scholarship," Said Mary Ellen Walker, daughter of Maynard and Rene, "All of the applications are coded to remove any possible bias and then reviewed by multiple judges. Applicants are rated on six criteria that would have been important to my parents, for example, contributions to the Village of Point Edward, high school grades, financial need and the student's financial contribution to their own education. It brings great joy to see the quality of candidates applying for the scholarship each year and we really look forward to hearing the wonderful things that our scholarship recipients achieve. Good luck Jordyn."

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