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News Release

Great Lakes Secondary School Student Awarded Largest Canadian STEM Scholarship

Joy Shah has been selected to receive an \$100 000 Schulich Leader Scholarship to study engineering at Western University.

A graduate of Great Lakes Secondary School in Sarnia, Shah will be entering the engineering program this fall. Shah was encouraged by guidance counsellor, Karen L'Heureux, to apply for the scholarship based on Shah's outstanding academic and extra-curricular achievements. Shah is the first nominee to win a Schulich Leader Scholarship in the Lambton Kent District School Board.

L'Heureux describes Shah as "a humble, inspiring young man who has certainly taken steps toward driving his passion for renewable energy. It gives me great pride to be part of a great team of educators that recognized Joy's potential for scholarship." Shah says that he was "pretty shocked" when he received an e-mail notification of the scholarship, which arrived when he was out with friends for lunch. He indicates these funds will support his goal "to work as an engineer for a company that can produce products that can make this a better society." Principal Paul Wiersma says that Shah has been an exceptional student at Great Lakes and he is well recognized by his peers and teachers as one who exemplifies all around excellence.

About Schulich Leader Scholarships

Schulich Leader Scholarships are prestigious entrance scholarships awarded to high school graduates enrolling in a Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM) undergraduate program at participating universities in Canada and Israel. Recognizing the increasing importance and impact that STEM disciplines will have on the prosperity of future generations, businessman and philanthropist Seymour Schulich established this \$100 million scholarship fund in 2012 to encourage our best and brightest students to become the next pioneers of global scientific research and innovation.

This program awards 100 scholarships annually, valued at more than \$7 million. High schools across the country put forth more than 1,300 Schulich Leader Nominees who were vying for 50 Canadian scholarships. Schulich Leaders can devote their full time and attention to their studies, as all of their financial needs are covered over the course of their degree. Canada's highest potential students are winning these scholarships and will make remarkable contributions to society.

For more information visit www.schulichleaders.com.

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