## **Opportunities & Awards All Grades**

Minister's Student Advisory Council A group of approximately 60 students, Grades 7-12, sharing ideas and providing advice on the education system. Meet with the Minister of Education twice a year (costs covered).

**Deadline: January 10th 2018** 

http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/students/speakup/msac.html

Beaverbrook Vimy Prize Two-week-long learning experience during which youth, 15-17 years of age, study the First and Second World War history of Canada, Great Britain, and France. Scheduled trip August 9-23, 2018, in England, Belgium, and France.

**Deadline: March 4th 2018** 

https://www.vimyfoundation.ca/beaverbrook-vimy-prize/

Louise Russo W.A.V.E. Youth Awards Ages 12-19 (Gr.7-12); youth who exemplify Respect, Responsibility & Role of Leadership through initiatives that create safer, healthier communities Award: five \$1000 awards for Individual & Team Youth, and three \$500 Leadership Awards

Deadline: March 10th 2018 approx. Check website for 2018 update.

http://louiserussowave.ca/programs/youth-awards

The Starfish Canada's Top 25 Environmentalists Under 25 Recognizes and rewards young Canadian leaders creating positive environmental change in their local communities. Must be nominated (or self-nominated).

Deadline: March 23rd 2018; check website for 2018 updates

http://www.canadastop25.ca/nomination-form/

Aboriginal Arts & Stories Competition Open to Canadians of Aboriginal ancestry (self-identified, Status, Non-Status, Inuit and Métis) between the ages of 9-29 (see "Rules"). Create a writing or art piece that explores Indigenous heritage or culture. Word count for stories varies according to age category. Your entry into the competition must include a 200- 400-word artist's or author's statement that includes a few words about you and explains how your piece explores Indigenous heritage and culture. \*Note: Check out the FAQs on the website.

Awards: Awards in separate age categories ranging from \$100-\$2000

Deadline: March 31st 2018

http://www.our-story.ca/guidelines/

Acts of Greatness LGBTQ Youth Community Award Open to LGBTQ youth 24 and under; must demonstrate community leadership qualities, past involvement, and a continued interest, in service to the LGBTQ community Awards: ten \$250 awards

Deadline: March 31st 2018, 5:00 p.m. (check website for 2018 updates)

http://actsofgreatness.org/apply/