



Brampton Student Wins First Kids & Horses Scholarship

Caledon, Ont. (FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE) **Kids & Horses Foundation** is proud to announce that Krystal Campbell of Brampton is the first recipient of the **Kids & Horses Scholarship**.

Krystal, 18, a graduate of the co-op program at Central Peel Secondary School, has recently started the animal care programme with Sheridan College, and hopes to graduate as a veterinary technician. Krystal also is the first graduate of the **Kids & Horses Foundation** lessons programme. She was selected because of her great enthusiasm while working with horses, as well as for her academic achievement. This scholarship will help cover the cost of the Sheridan programme.

"In January 2007 I began the first part of my studies with animals, thanks to the support of my family and friends, and a special thank-you to the **Kids & Horses Foundation** for awarding me a One Year Scholarship to Sheridan College"

The **Kids & Horses Foundation**, founded in September 2005, is a non-profit organization located in Caledon, Ont., dedicated to giving motivated children the opportunities to learn about horses. This can make a real difference in their lives. Besides offering camps and lessons, the Foundation has established the **Kids & Horses Scholarship**, which is awarded to a graduate of the program, wishing to pursue college level studies, leading to a career involving horses.

The Foundation believes that learning good horsemanship provides long term benefits for children. The sense of achievement and increased self esteem participants receive from being in the programme are best captured by Krystal's own words..." I had also entered the Winter 2006 Horse show at the school. I practiced very hard..... I did very well and I got first place in the 'Riding Test'. However, that wasn't what made me so proud of myself. What made me so proud, was the fact that I had improved my score from the last show, which told me that I was a better rider!"

"...With my confidence and self-esteem on the rise, I was able to help out other riders with their horses and their duties. Even when I would have to wait for my brother to finish his lesson I helped out in the barn. I had even applied to work in a pet shop full-time until it was time to attend college in January 2007. I am happy to announce that I did indeed get the job. My interviewer told me that she admired my confidence in my abilities and that was one of the reasons she hired me."

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