The Gurjeet Singh Panesar Memorial Scholarship



(Gurjeet Singh Panesar, ISTC Roll No. 1963-35)

The Gurjeet Singh Panesar Memorial Scholarship honors the life and legacy of Mr. Gurjeet Singh Panesar, where from August 1st, 1963- August 8th, 1966, he was a proud member of the first batch of the Indo Swiss Training Centre (ISTC), Chandigarh, specializing in Metrology.

After graduating and a few years of teaching at ISTC, Mr. Panesar emigrated to Canada and later to the United States, where he built an inspiring career rooted in the technical excellence, precision and discipline he developed at ISTC. Beginning humbly as a tool and die maker, he rose to become an Engineering Director in a 25 year corporate world career, before founding and successfully operating his own metal stamping manufacturing business for many years. His journey reflected both the depth of his technical mastery and the quiet perseverance that defined his character.

Mr. Panesar passed away in May 2025, leaving behind a legacy of integrity, determination, and hard work. He often spoke to his kids on how his education at ISTC shaped his thinking, work ethic, and ability to turn challenges into opportunities. His story serves as a powerful reminder of how a strong foundation in technical training can lead not only to professional success but also to personal growth and fulfilment.

Established by the Panesar family in his memory, this annual scholarship supports a deserving student facing financial hardship, who demonstrates dedication, curiosity, and a genuine desire to build a meaningful future through rigorous technical education. It reflects Mr. Panesar's enduring belief that with opportunity, hard work, and perseverance, one can create a life of purpose and impact—no matter where that journey begins.

The scholarship will be given on an annual basis to the amount of Rs. 23,500 to cover the semester fees of a deserving student facing financial hardship.

Requirements to apply:

- 1. The Economically Weaker Section (EWS) category candidate with highest merit in the ISTC Entrance Exam shall be the recipient of Gurjeet Singh Panesar Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship amount of Rs 23,500/- shall be admissible only after the said amount is transferred to ISTC Student Welfare Fund Account (SWF Account) by the donor. The Cheque of the scholarship amount shall be issued to the beneficiary.
- 2. Only one student from the newly inducted batch shall be entitled for this Scholarship every year, which shall be conferred to the student on 18th December, ISTC foundation day, every year.
- 3. If the top ranker of the EWS category leaves the seat before 18th December, then the scholarship shall be awarded to the student holding 2nd merit in EWS category in ISTC Entrance Exam.