

FAQs – Youth Work in Trades Scholarship

Q1. Where do I find the online application for the Youth Work in Trades Scholarship?

- The online application can be found on the Ministry's [Career Programs](#) webpage and will be available each year in early September.

Q2. When does this year's application period open and close?

- For the 2025/26 school year, the application period is from Tuesday, September 2 to Friday, November 14.

Q3. Will I be able to see the application before filling it out?

- Yes, a preview copy of the application will be available on the Career Programs webpage for you to view so that you know what information you need to provide. Please note that the preview copy of the application cannot be submitted to the Ministry. All applications for the WRK Scholarship must be submitted online.

Q4. Can I start my application and return to it later?

- No, applicants must complete the application and submit it within a single sitting. The application will take about 20 minutes, provided the student has all the necessary information ready to submit.

Q5. What information will applicants need to submit when completing the online application?

- For the online application, applicants will need to provide their PEN, first and last names, date of birth, contact information, SkilledTradesBC registration number, name of the school they attended when they completed their Youth Work in Trades program, net income reported on the previous year's tax return, and anticipated expenses during their upcoming study period.
- For the redemption form, applicants will need to provide their PEN, SIN, first and last names, date of birth, contact information, name of post-secondary institution, and confirmation of enrolment.

Q6. Why do applicants have to submit information about income and anticipated expenses?

- If there are more than 600 eligible recipients, applications will be prioritized based on financial need.

Q7. If their initial application is unsuccessful, may applicants reapply?

- Yes, if their initial application is unsuccessful, applicants may reapply for a Youth Work in Trades Scholarship. They have up to and including the fall immediately following their last school-aged year to do this. Please keep in mind that applicants may only receive one Youth Work in Trades Scholarship regardless of the number of applications they submit.

Q8. What does “school-aged” mean?

- "School age student:" A student between the age of 5 by December 31 of the current calendar year and 19 on or after July 1 of the current school year.

Q9. How will the \$1,000 scholarships be distributed?

- Cheques will be mailed directly to applicants after they complete the redemption form, which will also be posted on the Ministry's Career Programs webpage.
- The redemption form includes the opportunity for applicants to confirm their preferred mailing address.

Q10. How will applicants redeem their scholarships?

To redeem their scholarships, applicants must:

- Enroll in a trades training program at a [training provider approved by SkilledTradesBC](#).
- Request and receive a "Confirmation of Enrolment" (or equivalent) from the training provider that shows the applicant is registered in a Level 1 or 2 trades training program.
- Upload the “Confirmation of Enrolment” (or equivalent) through the online Redemption form and submit the redemption form to the Youth Work in Trades Scholarship team.

- Wait for the cheque to arrive in the mail; cheques may take 6-8 weeks to arrive.
- Complete the redemption process within three years of receiving their application approval notification.