

WORLDSKILLS CALGARY 2009
EQUIPMENT LEGACY PROGRAM
CALL FOR PROPOSALS
March 31, 2009

BACKGROUND

Alberta is proud to host the WorldSkills Calgary 2009 competition September 1–7, 2009. It is expected that WorldSkills Calgary 2009 will involve 1,000 competitors from 51 countries participating in 45 skill competitions. Attending the competition will be 5,000 international experts, delegates and judges and up to 150,000 student and public spectators.

The competition will benefit Alberta by:

- showcasing youth with world-class competencies in the industrial trades and service sectors of the global economy.
- increasing awareness and generating interest of youth in skilled trades and technology-related occupations.
- increasing awareness of high quality training for trades and technology-related occupations in the K-12 and apprenticeship and industry training systems.
- increasing awareness of the value of trades and technology occupations to the Alberta economy.

WorldSkills International is a not-for-profit membership association open to agencies or bodies which have a responsibility for promoting vocational education and training in their respective countries or regions.

PURPOSE OF THE EQUIPMENT LEGACY PROGRAM

As part of an overall \$24 million commitment to WorldSkills Calgary 2009, the Government of Alberta announced a \$16 million grant to WorldSkills Calgary 2009 Ltd. to purchase equipment for the competition. Equipment and tools valued at \$14 million will be purchased for use during the competitions, and \$2 million is allocated for insurance, storage and transportation costs. Following the competition, the \$14 million worth of equipment and tools will be distributed among eligible post-secondary institutions and high school jurisdictions, thereby benefitting current and future students.

EQUIPMENT AVAILABILITY

The Equipment Legacy Program will be allocating available equipment and tools based on criteria approved by the Minister of Education and the Minister of Advanced Education and Technology. **Attachment One details the approved proposal ranking criteria.**

The equipment will be distributed in “lots” by skill area (**for a list of competition skill areas see Attachment Two**), consisting of larger and/or more expensive individual pieces of equipment, or bundles of smaller and/or less expensive equipment and tools that may comprise a workstation.

Lots in any given skill area will be composed of similar equipment and tools but will not necessarily all be identical.

An initial list of equipment lots will be posted by **March 31, 2009** on the WorldSkills website at: http://www.worldskills2009.com/schedule/ELProgram/el_program.cfm. The list will be updated as equipment is purchased. The final composition of lots to be distributed may vary somewhat from the posted lists, depending on the actual availability of equipment at the time of distribution.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Eligible applicants are invited to respond to this Call for Proposals to outline their case for being allocated specific equipment and tools. Proposals must be submitted via the online application template which will be available on the WorldSkills Calgary 2009 website starting on May 1, 2009. Prior to May 1, 2009, WorldSkills Calgary 2009 Ltd. will issue a password to eligible applicants to access the online application template.

Applicants must meet all of the following requirements:

- Applicants must be:
 - School jurisdictions (public, catholic, francophone and charter) with high schools offering CTS courses for students in grades 10 - 12; OR
 - Publicly funded post-secondary institutions mandated to offer apprenticeship training, submitting a proposal aligned with the priorities of the ministry as identified in the Alberta Access Planning Framework which can be viewed at the following web-address: <http://www.advancededucation.gov.ab.ca/reading/policy/roleframework/aapf.pdf>.
- Submit proposals using the application template available at the WorldSkills Calgary 2009 website: http://www.worldskills2009.com/schedule/ELProgram/el_program.cfm.
- Use Arial 10 point font in the submission.
- Include all mandatory components in the application template. **The mandatory application components are detailed in Attachment Three**, appended to this Call for Proposals.
- Submit proposals **by 12:00 noon MST Friday, May 15, 2009**.

SELECTION PROCESS

- All qualified applications will be ranked based on merit using criteria approved by the Minister of Education and the Minister of Advanced Education and Technology.
- Application submissions will be rank-ordered in two groups: school jurisdictions and post-secondary institution submissions.
- Final recipients of equipment and tool lots will be announced by the Government of Alberta by **September 1, 2009**. The decisions will be final and not subject to appeal.
- Recipients should be prepared to receive all equipment allocated to them by **September 8 - 26**, at the address identified on their proposal.

SUMMARY OF KEY DATES

Milestone	Date(s)
Initial list of equipment will be posted at (http://www.worldskills2009.com/schedule/ELProgram/el_program.cfm)	March 31, 2009
Application form is available online at the WorldSkills website	May 1, 2009
Proposal submission deadline	12:00 noon MST, Friday, May 15, 2009
Recipients announced	By September 1, 2009
Transfer of equipment to recipients	September 8 - 26, 2009

PLEASE NOTE:

1. Alberta Education, Alberta Advanced Education and Technology and WorldSkills Calgary 2009 Ltd. are not responsible for technical difficulties encountered during transmission of electronic proposals. Applicants will receive an e-mail from WorldSkills Calgary 2009 Ltd. to confirm that the proposal has been successfully received.
2. The proposal submission website will be password protected. Each qualified school jurisdiction and post-secondary institution will be provided with a unique password for use in submitting their proposal.
3. An eligible recipient can submit more than one proposal providing that they rank the proposals in order of their priority.
4. Applicants submitting proposals may not request information about other proposals that have been submitted.
5. The Government of Alberta has the right to cancel this Call for Proposals at any time and to reissue it for any reason whatsoever, without incurring any liability, and no organization will have any claim against Alberta Education, Alberta Advanced Education and Technology or WorldSkills Calgary 2009 Ltd. as a consequence.
6. Alberta Education, Alberta Advanced Education and Technology and WorldSkills Calgary 2009 Ltd. reserve the right to request further information from applicants as required.
7. Successful applicants will not make public announcements or provide information for public release prior to the announcement of the successful proposals by the Government of Alberta.
8. Warranty for items in the Equipment Legacy Program may not be transferable to recipients of the goods.
9. The Minister of Education and the Minister of Advanced Education and Technology have the final approval for allocation of all equipment and tools. Once these decisions have been made they are not subject to appeal.

APPLICATION INFORMATION CONTACTS

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PROPOSAL RANKING CRITERIA

Criteria	Weight (maximum points)
<p>Applicant is qualified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A school jurisdiction (public, catholic, francophone and charter) with high schools offering CTS courses for students in grades 10 - 12; <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A publicly funded post-secondary institution mandated to offer apprenticeship training; the proposal aligns with the priorities of the ministry as identified in the Alberta Access Planning Framework. 	<p>Yes/No</p>
<p><u>Demonstrated need:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update of current equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Evidence of need based on age and/or obsolescence of current equipment. <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Demonstration of how the proposed new program will complement or enhance existing programming. ○ Demonstration of how the addition of this equipment will enhance access to training in the region. 	<p>45</p>
<p>Availability of supporting infrastructure, encompassing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Space</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is space available for this equipment to be immediately used? • If not when will space be available? • <u>Qualified personnel</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the school currently have staff who teach in this skill area? OR • Is there evidence of a plan to train staff or acquire new staff? • <u>Budget</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is there an approved budget (operating funds, maintenance dollars etc.)? 	<p>45</p>
<p>Value-added considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community impact, such as continuing education training opportunities. • Partnerships, for example, a post-secondary training provider may include details about a partnership arrangement with a secondary jurisdiction or an industry partner. • A history of training in trades and technology skill areas. • Other. 	<p>10</p>
<p>TOTAL POINTS</p>	<p>100</p>

ATTACHMENT TWO

COMPETITION SKILL AREAS

Aircraft Maintenance	Joinery
Autobody Repair	Ladies / Mens Hairdressing
Automobile Technology	Landscape Gardening
Beauty Therapy	Manufacturing Team Challenge
Bricklaying	Mechanical Engineer Design - CAD
Cabinetmaking	Mechatronics
Car Painting	Metal Roofing
Caring	Mobile Robotics
Carpentry	Mould Making
CNC Milling	Offset Printing
CNC Turning	Painting & Decorating
Confectioner / Pastry Cook	Plastering and Drywall Systems
Construction Metal Works	Plumbing & Heating
Cooking	Polymechanics/Automation
Electrical Installations	Refrigeration
Electronics	Restaurant Service
Fashion Technology	Sheet Metal Technology
Floristry	Stonemasonry
Graphic Design Technology	Information Network Cabling
Industrial Control	Wall & Floor Tiling
IT PC/Network Support	Web Design
IT/ Software Applications	Welding
Jewellery	

ATTACHMENT THREE

MANDATORY APPLICATION COMPONENTS

A. Qualified Applicant - is the application being submitted by:

A.1. A school jurisdiction (public, catholic, francophone and charter) with high schools offering CTS courses for students in grades 10 - 12?

OR

A.2. A publicly funded post-secondary institution mandated to offer apprenticeship training; the proposal aligns with the priorities of the ministry as identified in the Alberta Access Planning Framework?

B. Need:

B. 1. Is this equipment going to replace existing equipment or will it be used to support a new program initiative? Provide details.

B.2. Regional Access - How will the addition of this equipment enhance access to training in your region? What other schools or institutions in your region offer this training and what is their proximity?

C. Supporting Infrastructure:

C.1. Space - Is space available so that the equipment can be immediately used? If not, when will space become available?

C.2. Qualified personnel - What qualified staff do you currently have to teach students using this equipment? If staff members are not currently qualified, what plans do you have to develop and/or acquire qualified teaching staff?

C.3. Budget - Do you have an approved budget to pay for the costs of installing and using this equipment? If not, how will these costs be covered? Provide details.

D. Value-added Considerations - Provide any additional details on value-added considerations supporting this application:

D.1. Community impacts, if any, such as continuing education training opportunities.

D.2. Partnerships, if any, such as between a secondary jurisdiction and a post-secondary institution.

D.3. History of training in this skill area.

D.4. Other value added considerations.