

**WorldSkills Calgary 2009
Equipment Legacy Program**

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the purpose of the Equipment Legacy Program?

- As part of the 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. \$14 million of the grant is allocated for the purchase of equipment and tools, and \$2 million is allocated for insurance, storage and transportation costs.
- As part of the legacy of the WorldSkills Calgary 2009 Competition, the Government of Alberta will distribute at no cost the \$14 million worth of equipment and tools used during the competition to eligible school jurisdictions and post-secondary institutions to benefit current and future students.

2. Who is eligible to apply for equipment under the program?

- School jurisdictions (public, Catholic, Francophone and charter) with high schools offering CTS courses for students in Grades 10 - 12.
- 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.

3. What is the application process?

- Proposals must be submitted via the online application template which will be available on the WorldSkills Calgary 2009 website starting on May 1, 2009.
- Eligible recipients will be issued a password prior to May 1, 2009 to access the WorldSkills Equipment Legacy website and are invited to respond to this Call for Proposals to outline their case for being allocated specific equipment and tools.
- Proposals will be accepted until 12:00 noon MST, May 15, 2009.
- The final allocation of equipment and tools will be based on the relative merits of the submissions received.

4. How often can an eligible recipient apply for the program?

- An eligible recipient can submit more than one proposal providing that they rank the proposals in order of their priority.

5. How will successful recipients be chosen?

- All qualified applications will be ranked based on criteria approved by the Minister of Education and the Minister of Advanced Education and Technology. Please see Call for Proposals document for specific criteria.
- The criteria were developed based on two principles that balance:
 - i. the need of the learning provider for updated or new equipment to increase the quality of education for learners and
 - ii. the ability of the learning provider to make optimal use of the equipment being requested.
- Application submissions will be rank-ordered in two groups: school jurisdictions and post-secondary institution submissions.

6. When will successful recipients be notified?

- Final recipients of equipment and tool lots will be announced by the Government of Alberta by **September 1, 2009**. Recipients will be notified before this announcement.

7. How will the equipment be transported to successful recipients?

- WorldSkills Calgary 2009 Ltd. will be transporting equipment to final recipients at no cost.
- Recipients should be prepared to receive all equipment allocated to them by **September 8 - 26**, at the address identified on their proposal.