

Please Check One: First-Time Applicant Renewal Applicant

Applicant Name:		Date:	
	<i>First/Last</i>		<i>MM/DD/YYYY</i>
Address:			
	<i>Street</i>	<i>City/Province</i>	<i>Postal Code</i>
Phone #:		Email:	
Date of Birth:			
	<i>MM/DD/YYYY</i>		

Check Area of Study/Program:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Geology	<input type="checkbox"/> Accounting	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Education leading to a professional designation:

Name of Accredited Post-Secondary Institution:			
Address:			
	<i>Street</i>	<i>City/Province</i>	<i>Postal Code</i>
Student ID #:			
Band Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Skeetchestn Indian Band (attach copy of status card) <input type="checkbox"/> Tk'emlúps te Secwepemc (attach copy of status card)		
Name of High School:			
Name of accredited post-secondary institution you will be attending:			
	<i>(Please provide proof of registration with unofficial or official transcript)</i>		
Field of study you intend to pursue:			

Signature - Applicant	
	Date <i>MM/DD/YYYY</i>

I certify that all the information included in this application is accurate and complete.

*Late or incomplete applications will **not** be processed.*

1. **Objective**

To encourage academic excellence and the pursuit of higher education within the communities of Skeetchestn & Tk'emlúps te Secwepemc.

2. **Value and Duration of the Trades Bursary**

- \$2500 CAD (based upon available funding)
- Each recipient may qualify each year, but only to a maximum of 4 consecutive sessions (e.g. if a recipient is taking a pre-apprenticeship program prior to studies for a trades apprenticeship, the bursary recipient may qualify for the pre-apprenticeship training, plus the consecutive year towards the trades certification, but only to a maximum of 4 consecutive sessions).
- It is acknowledged that there are different dates for the intake of applicants into trades programs. As a result, the bursaries are being administered based upon available funding and for those applicants who have successfully been accepted into an accredited trades program.

3. **Type of Trades Bursary**

Applicable towards full-time studies for new or previous applicants who are enrolled at an accredited trades/vocational or post-secondary institution. Program must be for a minimum of 2 years in length.

4. **Requirement for Eligibility**

- a. Status member of either Skeetchestn Indian Band or Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc.
- b. Academic
 - Eligible applicants must maintain a minimum grade as required by the program within which they are enrolled.
- c. Application form and supporting documents – eligible applicants must provide:
 - A fully completed application form.
 - **Evidence of Registration / Acceptance into program or course.**
 - Returning Students are required to submit a copy of their Skilled Trades BC transcript.
 - **Two signed** reference letters with references' signature (e.g., Instructor, employer, education manager, etc.). These recommendations should outline your accomplishments and demonstrate your ability to succeed.
 - A 250-word essay which provides a description of yourself, your ability to succeed and your plans for the future. Please include any volunteer/community involvement, and/or extracurricular activities and how education will benefit you, your family, and your community (separate sheet of paper). When evaluating scholarships for eligibility, preference may be given to those students who directly contribute to their community of Skeetchestn Indian Band or Tk'emlúps te Secwepemc.
 - List of awards or recognition you may have received? List those achievements specifically related to your area of academic interest.

5. **Field of Study / Program Requirements**

Preference given to students enrolled in trades education programming that will lead to a Red Seal designation.

6. **Eligible Institutions**

Accredited Canadian and American post-secondary institution which have recognized Red Seal-granting designation, or their affiliates (e.g. universities and colleges).

7. **Selection of Trade Bursary Winners**

- a) Selection of winners is at the discretion of the Trades Bursary Committee (which is comprised of a representative appointed by Skeetchestn Indian Band, Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc, a representative from the Stk'emlupsemc te Secwépemc Nation, along with two (2) New Gold representatives).
- b) Evaluation criteria
 - Academic performance
 - Quality and relevance of the reference letters
 - Volunteer/community involvement and/or extracurricular activities

- c) The committee exercises no influence in the selection of the Trades Bursary recipients in the adjudication process.
- d) Final selection will be completed, and successful candidates will be notified via email.

8. Responsibilities of Trades Bursary Recipients

- Return the signed Trades Bursary Form and all other supporting documentation -**PLEASE** refer to the check list on last page.
- Use the Trades Bursary in the academic year for which it is awarded.
- Students requiring extra credits, related to their area of study or discipline, can contact the First Nations Coordinator to request an opportunity to research within the appropriate New Gold Department.
- By signing this document (page 5) you agree to the authorization of use of photos and stories written about/including you (the applicant) to be distributed among the Skeetchestn and Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc communities, as well as for use in New Gold media materials.

9. Payment

- New Gold, New Afton will forward 100% of the Trades Bursary directly to the recipient.
- It is the student's responsibility to ensure that payment of tuition fees is made within the defined timeframe set by the post-secondary institution regardless of the timing of the scholarship payment.

10. Renewal of Trades Bursary

- The Trades Bursary may be renewed each period that the program is available for up to a total of 4 sessions
- A fully completed application **MUST** be submitted each year the applicant is eligible to apply.
- Trades Bursary recipients must maintain a full-time status as defined by the accredited trades/vocational or educational institution.
- Trades Bursary recipients must submit documentation showing successful completion of each session.
- Trades Bursary recipients must also submit a copy of their Skilled Trades BC Transcript reflecting the number of apprenticeship hours completed to date.

11. Application / Submission Procedures

Applications can be submitted via:

- a) Email
- b) Canada Post
- c) Courier

Send your scholarship application package to:

- **Email your application package to:**
Attn: Larissa Blank, First Nations Coordinator
Email: Larissa.Blank@newgold.com

- **Canada Post Postal Address to Mail application:**
Attn: Larissa Blank, FN Coordinator
New Gold - New Afton Mine
Box 948, Station Main
Kamloops BC V2C5N3

- **Physical Address for physical drop off (at New Gold - New Afton Mine Security Office) or Courier Address:**
Attn: Larissa Blank, FN Coordinator
New Gold New Afton Mine
4050 West Trans-Canada Highway
Kamloops BC V2C 5N4

***Please refer to the checklist on the following page to ensure all the requirements are submitted with your application. This checklist is for your reference only, it is not required to submit it with your application.**

CHECKLIST:

- Completed and signed Application Form
- Copy of your Skilled Trades BC transcript.
- Proof of registration – Acceptance letter or current course registration.
- Enrolled in Full-time academic studies, based on band requirements.
- 250 Word Essay (including volunteer/community involvement).
- Copy of your status card which identifies you as a member of Skeetchestn or Tk'emlúps te Secwepemc.
- Two signed current Letters of Reference (dated within one year of your application).
- I understand that if I am missing any of the above criteria, I will be excluded from the selection process.

Certification:

I certify that all the information included in this application is true and complete and that New Gold Inc. – New Afton Mine can publish my name if my application is successful.

Signature - Applicant		Date MM/DD/YYYY

Please submit this page with your application.