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Bursaries for BC Teachers: Now Accepting Applications LA MAISON FRANÇAISE PROGRAM

Dear Teacher:

If you currently hold a BC College of Teachers Certificate, you are eligible to apply for a teacher bursary (even if you are a TOC) to attend [La Maison Française 2017!](#) This year, the program runs from July 4 - Aug. 4th, 2017.

What is La Maison Française?

[La Maison Française \(LMF\)](#) is a five-week French immersion program intended for adults at all levels of proficiency, from total beginner to advanced. French Language Programs at the Division of Continuing Studies has delivered this program each summer. Although the program has evolved since its inception in 1965, the core objectives remain the same:

- to create a total immersion atmosphere;
- to use only French in teaching and conversation;
- to teach the fundamental structures of the French language so that students can begin to think in French;
- to develop a useful and varied vocabulary to enable students to better express themselves orally in French;
- to develop functional vocabulary for specific written purposes; and
- to explore the linguistic similarities and differences between varieties of French spoken in various parts of the world.

For other info, please go to the following links:

[WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT? / DO I LIVE IN CAMPUS? / WHAT IF I WANT TO LIVE IN UVic RESIDENCES?](#)

[HOW DO I APPLY FOR A BURSARY?](#)



There are still spaces available for your secondary school students to participate in the [2017 Beijing International Student Summer Camp](#). The camp is scheduled to take place July 14–23, 2017 in Beijing, China. Please contact us as soon as possible if you have students or teachers who are interested. This again promises to be a life-altering experience for students from across our province and we encourage your support and participation.

HOW TO NOMINATE STUDENTS

If you have not done so already, we would like to invite BC school districts and independent schools to each nominate up to **two** local secondary students between the ages of 14 to 18 to participate in the program. Once you have selected your students, please contact Tom Wang at twang@bccie.bc.ca by **Friday, March 31** with the following details as outlined below.

Student information required:

- First name
- Last name
- Gender
- Date of birth
- Email address
- Phone
- Letter of support from the Principal or Superintendent

Note:

1. We encourage schools to promote this program and advise you that student selection is fully the responsibility of the school. You must establish your own internal selection criteria and procedure to identify exemplary and team-oriented candidates as student ambassadors of BC and Canada.
2. Schools will be required to provide a brief letter of support from the Principal or Superintendent for each student selected to participate in the program.
3. Participants who fail to follow camp rules or harm the reputation of the school will be sent home at their own expense.
4. To extend this opportunity to as broad a range of students as possible, it is encouraged to consider gender diversity in their selection of students from different schools where possible.

HOW TO NOMINATE CHAPERONES

We will also need **two** teachers who can act as chaperones. Schools are welcome to nominate a teacher to accompany the group.

Note: These spaces fill up quickly. Selection of students and chaperones will be on **FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS**.

COSTS RELATED TO THE SUMMER CAMP IN BEIJING

All in-China costs for BC participants will be covered by the hosts, BIEE. These costs include accommodations, meals, local transportation, tuition and local activities.

Each participant will be required to pay for international and domestic airfare between the participant's home airport and Beijing, medical/travel insurance and an administration fee, which covers camp registration costs and securing a China visitor's visa. Participants are also encouraged to bring spare funds for personal use. Please note that in the past some schools have covered some or all the fees for their participating students and chaperones. Your support in this fashion would be appreciated. Please visit BIEE's [website](#) for more information about the Summer Camp.



Youth Get It™ Education Awards

Coast Capital Savings has announced they will once again be working with schools in 23 school districts across BC to identify recipients for the Standing Tall Awards and the Beth Hutchinson Award (Surrey District only).

Coast Capital Services mailed the information packages to independent schools in the 23 school districts they service in Metro Vancouver, Fraser Valley, mid and southern Vancouver Island and Kelowna.

For more information, visit www.coastcapitalsavings.com/awards.

Application deadline: **April 3, 2017**. Please forward independent school applications to Magda at the FISA office at info@fisabc.ca or by fax to [604-684-3163](tel:604-684-3163).



STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

Clean Energy BC (CEBC) is pleased to offer a student scholarship of \$1,000. The scholarship is available for students who are interested in pursuing a future in clean energy at a post-secondary institution.

Eligibility: Must be a BC secondary student (full-time, currently enrolled) that is graduating in 2017.

Application Materials:

- Applicants must submit a 1-2-page paper (500 words) responding to the question “*Why is clean energy important to me as a young person in BC?*” Please explain why clean energy is important, cite any relevant experience with projects, volunteering, or community work, and indicate any future plans for involvement (please indicate the post-secondary institutions you have applied to and any acceptances).
- Applicants must also provide one letter of reference (not a relative). This could be from a teacher, a community representative, a pastor/religious teacher or a coach. The reference letter should speak to your character as a person.
- Please provide your contact information – address, phone number and e-mail.

Deadline: Applications must be received by May 15, 2017.

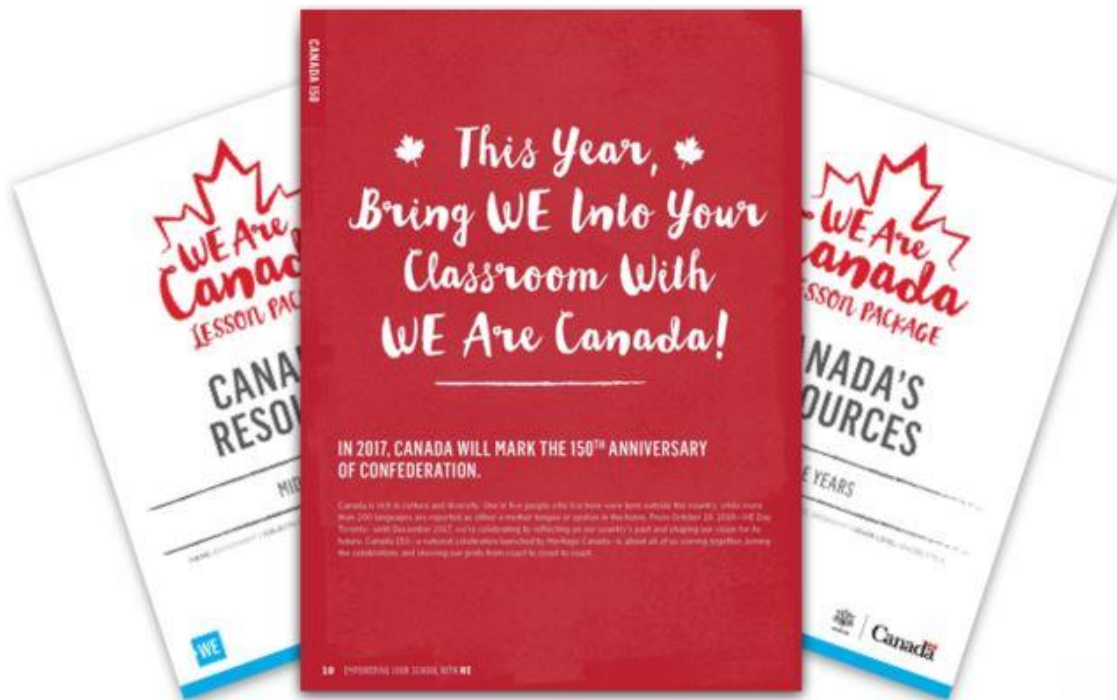
Please submit applications by mail or email to:

Bryan MacLeod, CEBC Manager of Development and Operations
354-409 Granville Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 1T2

bryan.macleod@cleanenergybc.org

All decisions of CEBC’s Awards Committee are final. The winner will be notified in early June 2017.

[SCHOLARSHIP LINK](#)



WE Are Canada – Bringing Experiential Service Learning to the Classroom

To celebrate Canada 150, WE are Canada will bring to life five yearlong initiatives through our WE Schools campaigns. Our five themes and their corresponding lesson plans will inspire young Canadians to come together and celebrate, learn about important issues and take action in their communities, forging Canada's future for years to come. Educators can access these free resources at we.ca or by connecting with their WE Schools coordinator.

[Diversity and Inclusion - WE Are One](#)

Learn about the experiences of people with disabilities, then use technology to image and plan how you can make your school or community more inclusive.

[Reconciliation of Indigenous and Non-Indigenous People - WE Stand Together](#)

Strengthen ties between all Canadians with 10 connection points that facilitate learning and dialogues on issues important to the relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Canadians.

[Youth Empowerment – WE Volunteer Now](#)

Empower your school to tackle issues like poverty and homelessness in the community.

[Environment – WE Take Charge](#)

Create behavioral change by reducing negative impacts on the environment, boosting positive ones and helping your school go green.

[Canada and the World – WE Villages](#)

Think globally by having students connect to a WE Villages country and pillar. Learn about water accessibility, education, healthcare, food security and alternative income projects as a class in support of WE's sustainable five pillar development model.

To request a free copy of the WE are Canada kit and resources and to find out how to bring the Canada 150 celebration to life for your district, please contact Jenna Quelch, Manager of Educational Partnerships at PacificCoast@we.org.