

**SEYCOVE GRAD 2009 – 10 BULLETIN**  
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*This is your tenth edition of Grad Bulletin.*

### **Principal's Message**

*We are now in semester two with June fast approaching – and if you thought the first half was quick the next few months will go even quicker. I do want to remind all of you that this can be a difficult time of year as you balance your post secondary plans while completing your Grade 12 year. To that extent, staying in the present is a useful coping strategy as demands on your time will only increase.*

*The Winter Olympics are ready to begin and the Olympic Creed or motto can be a pertinent message to all of us. Citius, Altius, Fortius or Swifter, Higher, Stronger can be interpreted in many ways that I will leave to your interpretation. Let me share these thoughts in closing as you progress over the next few months:*

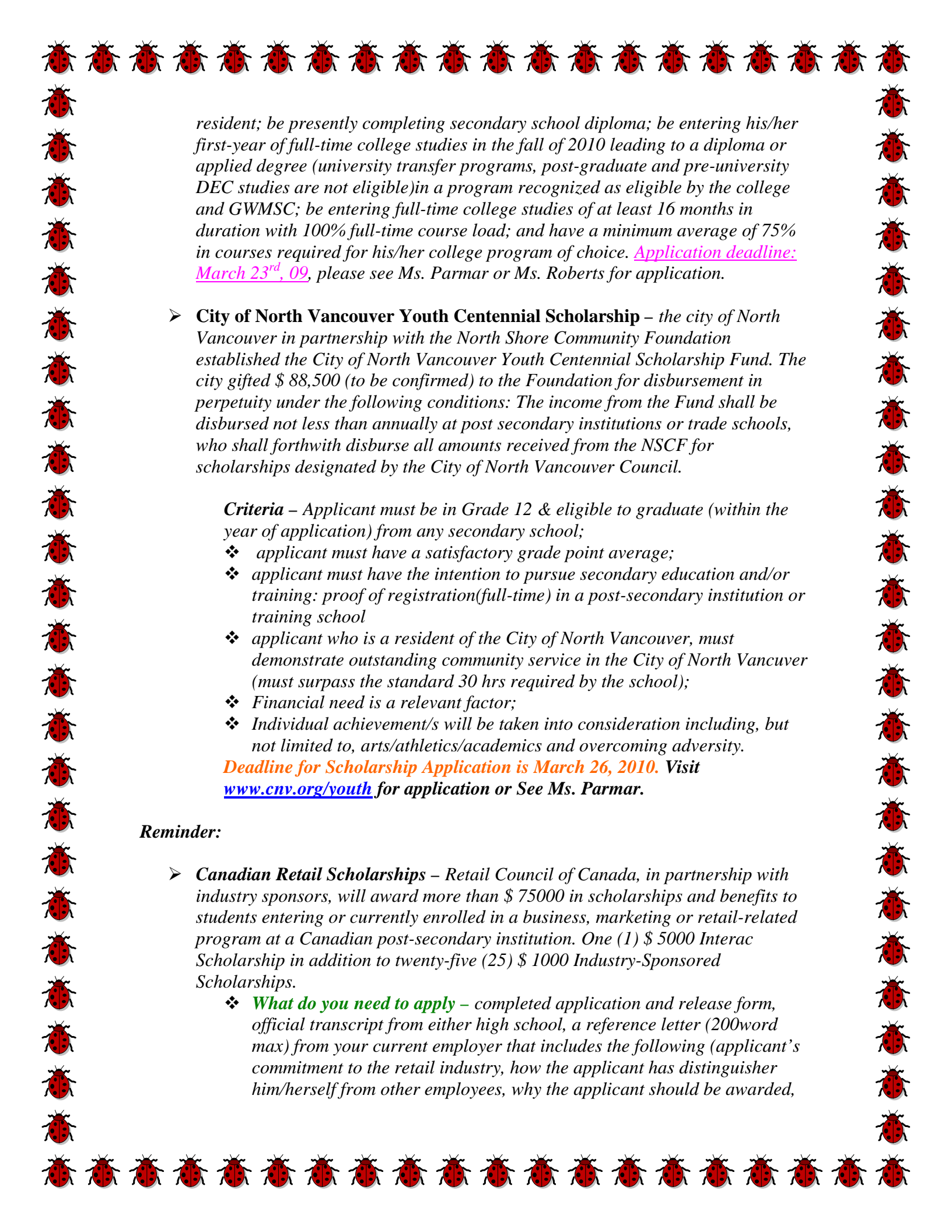
*The most significant thing in the Olympic Games is not the win but to take part. Just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well.*

*Baron Pierre de Coubertin*

*Mr. Hachlaf*

### **SCHOLARSHIP**

- **Trevor Linden Community Spirit Scholarship (\$2500)** – recognizes 4 student leaders in the province of BC attending their first year of post secondary education, in good academic standing (75%) who has made exceptional contributions to: *school and community service, leadership, initiating community development, affecting positive change, mentoring others, personal development and growth and good academic performance.* **Application requirements** – 600 word double spaced describing applicant's community involvement, a letter of reference describing the impact of his/her involvement, up to date copy of high school transcript. *If you are interested, please see Ms. Parmar for application. The deadline is March 15, 2010.*
  
- **The Garfield Weston Merit Scholarship – 25 Entrance Garfield Weston Awards** to students entering their first year of college studies in Canada for use during the 2010-2011. Each Entrance GWA comprise a tuition waiver from a consortium college renewable for one or two additional years; an **\$ 8000** stipend renewable for one/two additional years; access to summer program funding, up to \$ 3500; and mentorship. [Eligibility Criteria](#) – be a Canadian citizen/permanent



resident; be presently completing secondary school diploma; be entering his/her first-year of full-time college studies in the fall of 2010 leading to a diploma or applied degree (university transfer programs, post-graduate and pre-university DEC studies are not eligible) in a program recognized as eligible by the college and GWMSC; be entering full-time college studies of at least 16 months in duration with 100% full-time course load; and have a minimum average of 75% in courses required for his/her college program of choice. Application deadline: March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 09, please see Ms. Parmar or Ms. Roberts for application.

- **City of North Vancouver Youth Centennial Scholarship** – the city of North Vancouver in partnership with the North Shore Community Foundation established the City of North Vancouver Youth Centennial Scholarship Fund. The city gifted \$ 88,500 (to be confirmed) to the Foundation for disbursement in perpetuity under the following conditions: The income from the Fund shall be disbursed not less than annually at post secondary institutions or trade schools, who shall forthwith disburse all amounts received from the NSCF for scholarships designated by the City of North Vancouver Council.

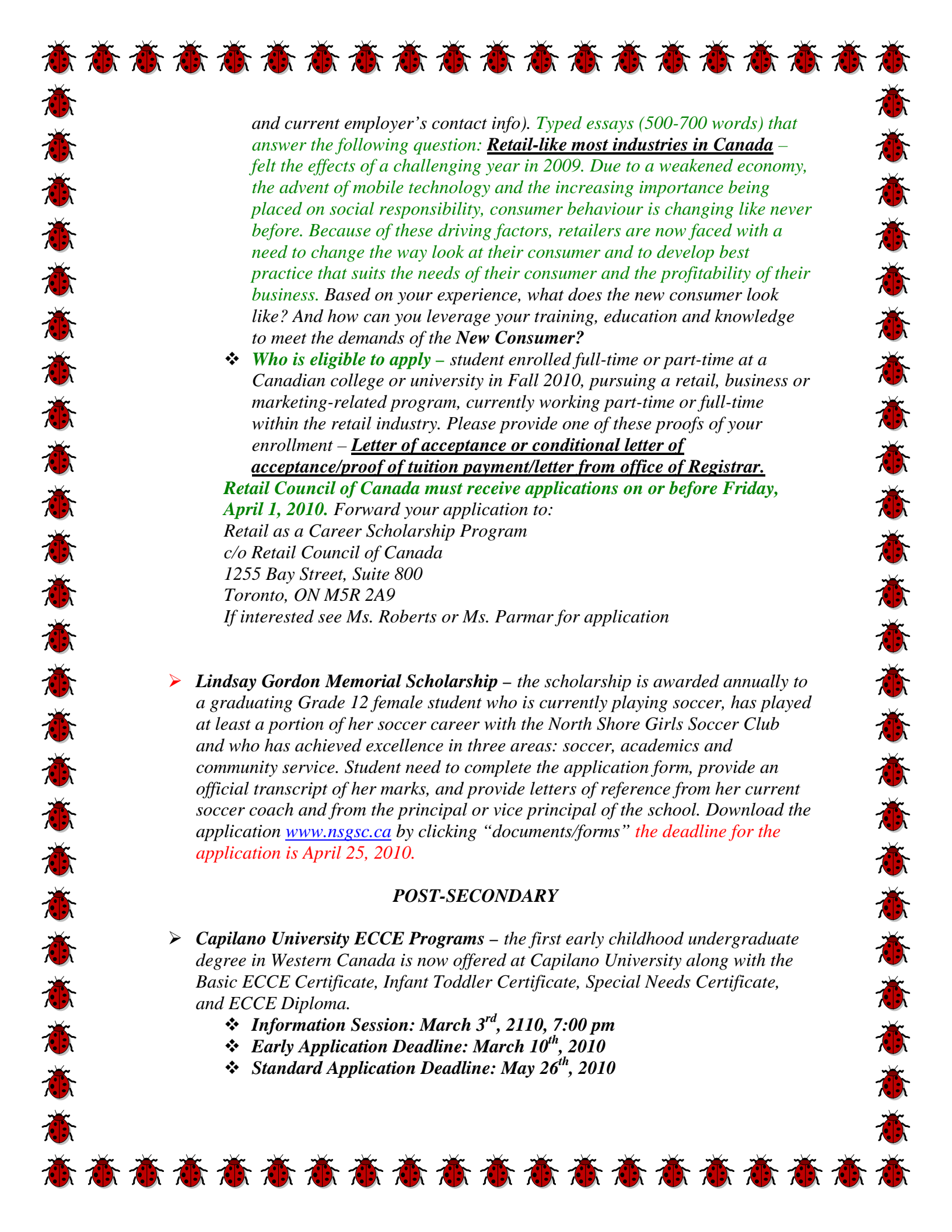
**Criteria** – Applicant must be in Grade 12 & eligible to graduate (within the year of application) from any secondary school;

- ❖ applicant must have a satisfactory grade point average;
- ❖ applicant must have the intention to pursue secondary education and/or training: proof of registration(full-time) in a post-secondary institution or training school
- ❖ applicant who is a resident of the City of North Vancouver, must demonstrate outstanding community service in the City of North Vancouver (must surpass the standard 30 hrs required by the school);
- ❖ Financial need is a relevant factor;
- ❖ Individual achievement/s will be taken into consideration including, but not limited to, arts/athletics/academics and overcoming adversity.

**Deadline for Scholarship Application is March 26, 2010. Visit [www.cnv.org/youth](http://www.cnv.org/youth) for application or See Ms. Parmar.**

**Reminder:**

- **Canadian Retail Scholarships** – Retail Council of Canada, in partnership with industry sponsors, will award more than \$ 75000 in scholarships and benefits to students entering or currently enrolled in a business, marketing or retail-related program at a Canadian post-secondary institution. One (1) \$ 5000 Interac Scholarship in addition to twenty-five (25) \$ 1000 Industry-Sponsored Scholarships.
- ❖ **What do you need to apply** – completed application and release form, official transcript from either high school, a reference letter (200word max) from your current employer that includes the following (applicant's commitment to the retail industry, how the applicant has distinguisher him/herself from other employees, why the applicant should be awarded,



and current employer's contact info). *Typed essays (500-700 words) that answer the following question: **Retail-like most industries in Canada** – felt the effects of a challenging year in 2009. Due to a weakened economy, the advent of mobile technology and the increasing importance being placed on social responsibility, consumer behaviour is changing like never before. Because of these driving factors, retailers are now faced with a need to change the way look at their consumer and to develop best practice that suits the needs of their consumer and the profitability of their business. Based on your experience, what does the new consumer look like? And how can you leverage your training, education and knowledge to meet the demands of the **New Consumer**?*

- ❖ **Who is eligible to apply** – student enrolled full-time or part-time at a Canadian college or university in Fall 2010, pursuing a retail, business or marketing-related program, currently working part-time or full-time within the retail industry. Please provide one of these proofs of your enrollment – **Letter of acceptance or conditional letter of acceptance/proof of tuition payment/letter from office of Registrar.**

**Retail Council of Canada must receive applications on or before Friday, April 1, 2010.** Forward your application to:

Retail as a Career Scholarship Program

c/o Retail Council of Canada

1255 Bay Street, Suite 800

Toronto, ON M5R 2A9

If interested see Ms. Roberts or Ms. Parmar for application

- **Lindsay Gordon Memorial Scholarship** – the scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating Grade 12 female student who is currently playing soccer, has played at least a portion of her soccer career with the North Shore Girls Soccer Club and who has achieved excellence in three areas: soccer, academics and community service. Student need to complete the application form, provide an official transcript of her marks, and provide letters of reference from her current soccer coach and from the principal or vice principal of the school. Download the application [www.nsgsc.ca](http://www.nsgsc.ca) by clicking “documents/forms” **the deadline for the application is April 25, 2010.**

### POST-SECONDARY

- **Capilano University ECCE Programs** – the first early childhood undergraduate degree in Western Canada is now offered at Capilano University along with the Basic ECCE Certificate, Infant Toddler Certificate, Special Needs Certificate, and ECCE Diploma.
  - ❖ **Information Session: March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2110, 7:00 pm**
  - ❖ **Early Application Deadline: March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010**
  - ❖ **Standard Application Deadline: May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010**



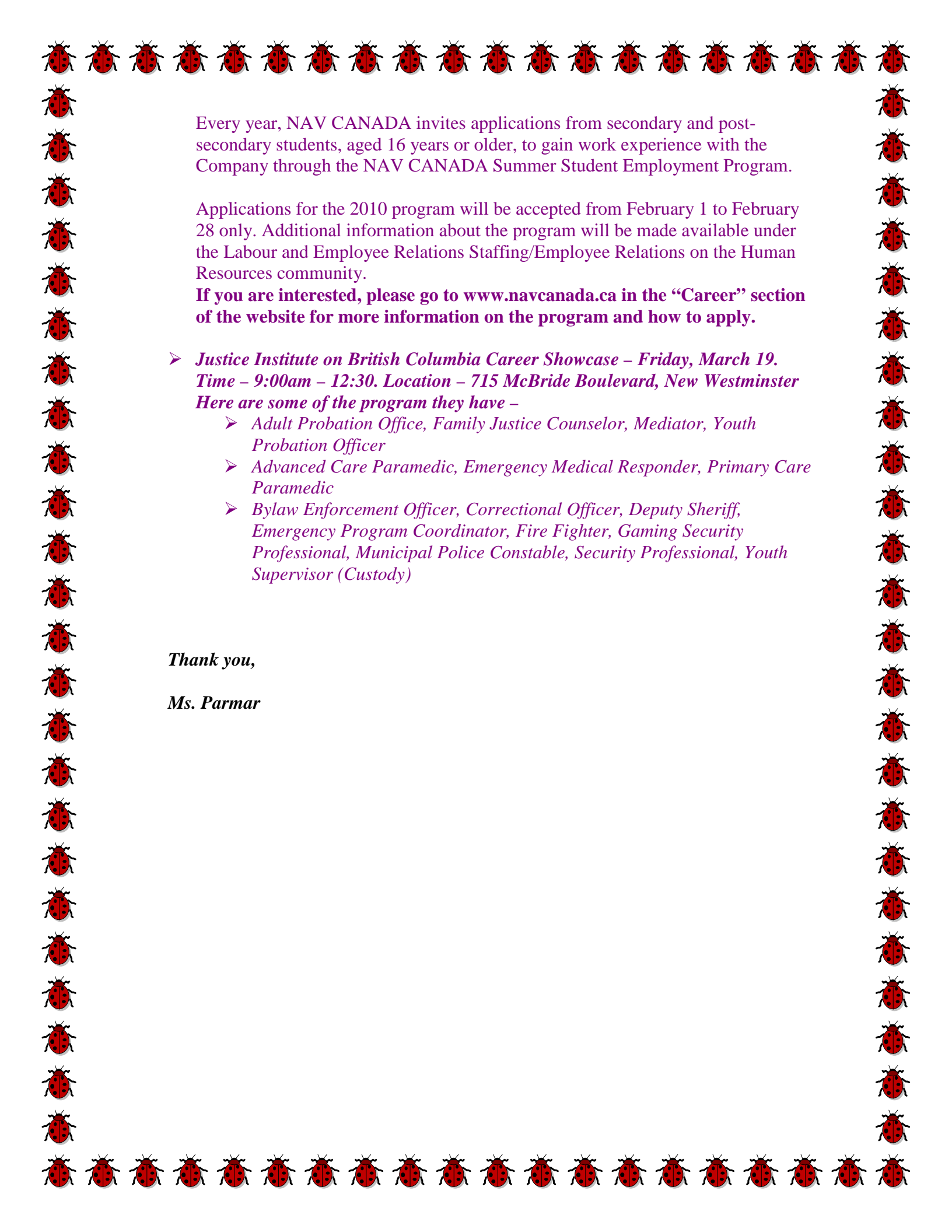
**Reminders:**

- **UBC – Explore UBC Engineering 2010**
  - ❖ **Engineering to make a difference** – March 5, 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm, 2332 Main Mall, Fred Kaiser Atrium, Lab tours, student research projects, student teams, Engineers without Borders outreach.
  - ❖ **Engineering Explorations** – March 25, 2:00 pm – 4:30 pm, 2332 Main Mall, Fred Kaiser building, room # 2020/30 info session, activity, and lab tour.

**Other Info/Great opportunities**

- **YMCA Summer Work Student Exchange** – is a national program offering opportunities for youth to improve their second official language skill (French) by living with a host family in Quebec, gaining important employment experience, and participating in group activities.
  - ❖ **Program Components – Employment** – participants are employed full-time (aprox 35hrs/week) in the non-profit or public sector, and earn minimum wage. **Host Family** – participants will live with a French-speaking host family in Québec. The families of Ontario participants are expected to host francophone youth at the same time. **Group Activities** – all participants will be supported by a Local Coordinator, who will enrich their experience by planning group activities during evenings and weekends.
  - ❖ **Eligibility** – the program is open to youth who will be 16 or 17 yrs of age during the summer they participate (born between Aug 14, 1991 and July 6, 1993) Students in grades 10, 11 & 12 may be eligible. Participants must have basic ability to communicate in French, but more importantly, a willingness to learn.
  - ❖ **Duration & Location** – the program will take place from early July to Mid-August, for a total length of 6 weeks. Participants from Vancouver will be traveling to communities in Québec from Gatineau to Gaspé.
  - ❖ **Cost** – a \$ 50 participant fee will be required if selected. The cost of transportation and planned local activities will be covered by the program. Room and board is provided by host families.

**APPLICATION AVAILABLE ONLINE:** [www.summer-work.com](http://www.summer-work.com) if you have any other questions please contact Jennifer Delaney (support coordinator) at 604-568-6340 or email [jenniferdelaneyymca@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferdelaneyymca@gmail.com)
- **Firefighter Career Spotlight Day** – is on March 24<sup>th</sup> , limited spots, if interested please see Ms. Parmar ASAP
- **2010 NAV CANADA Summer Student Employment Program**



Every year, NAV CANADA invites applications from secondary and post-secondary students, aged 16 years or older, to gain work experience with the Company through the NAV CANADA Summer Student Employment Program.

Applications for the 2010 program will be accepted from February 1 to February 28 only. Additional information about the program will be made available under the Labour and Employee Relations Staffing/Employee Relations on the Human Resources community.

**If you are interested, please go to [www.navcanada.ca](http://www.navcanada.ca) in the “Career” section of the website for more information on the program and how to apply.**

- ***Justice Institute on British Columbia Career Showcase – Friday, March 19.  
Time – 9:00am – 12:30. Location – 715 McBride Boulevard, New Westminster  
Here are some of the program they have –***
  - *Adult Probation Office, Family Justice Counselor, Mediator, Youth Probation Officer*
  - *Advanced Care Paramedic, Emergency Medical Responder, Primary Care Paramedic*
  - *Bylaw Enforcement Officer, Correctional Officer, Deputy Sheriff, Emergency Program Coordinator, Fire Fighter, Gaming Security Professional, Municipal Police Constable, Security Professional, Youth Supervisor (Custody)*

***Thank you,***

***Ms. Parmar***