

SEYCOVE GRAD 2009 – 10 BULLETIN
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SCHOLARSHIP

- **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

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Reminder:

- **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 by clicking “documents/forms” the deadline for the application is April 25, 2010.

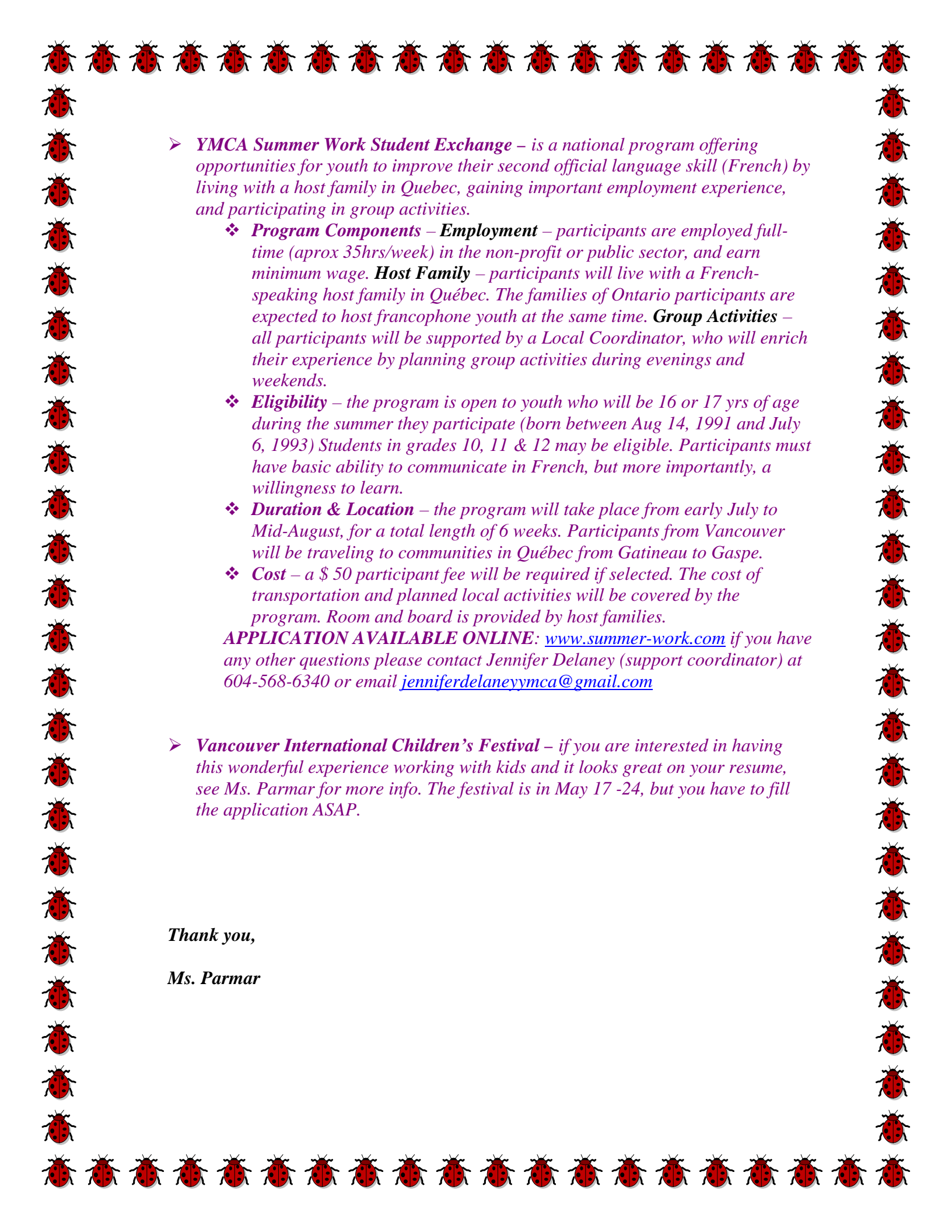
POST-SECONDARY

- **Capilano University – Spring Open House (Media Arts)**
 - ❖ Saturday, Feb 6, 1:00 – 4:00 pm
 - Open Studio Animation (Talk to students, bring your portfolio)*
1:00 – 2:00 pm
 - Idea Information Session (communication Design and Illustration)*
2:00 – 2:30
 - Idea Studio Tours*
2:30 – 3:30
 - Web Design Info Session (hosted by Interactive Design, bring your URL or USB)*
2:30 – 4:00
 - Idea Portfolio workshop (talk to instructors and students, bring your portfolio)*

Reminders:

- **Douglas College** – is launching the Doug’s Got Talent contest. College is inviting high school students to show their talents and skills in a two-minute video uploaded to YouTube. The top three entries, as decided by voting, will win \$ 4000 in tuition credits each. Student must submit their videos by February 28, 2010. Video must be two minutes (or less) in length. More details about the contest, as well as the official Rules and Regulations, can be found at www.douglascollege.ca/talent
- **UBC – Explore UBC Engineering 2010**
 - ❖ **Engineering Info Session** – February 3, 6:00 pm, 2185 East Mall, Michael Smith Laboratories, Lecture Theatre, room # 102 (main floor)
 - ❖ **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 if you have any other questions please contact Jennifer Delaney (support coordinator) at 604-568-6340 or email jenniferdelaneyymca@gmail.com

➤ **Vancouver International Children’s Festival** – if you are interested in having this wonderful experience working with kids and it looks great on your resume, see Ms. Parmar for more info. The festival is in May 17 -24, but you have to fill the application ASAP.

Thank you,

Ms. Parmar