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Dear Parent or Guardian:

The Government of British Columbia is pleased to inform you that your child may be able to receive a \$1,200 training and education savings grant.

Children are eligible if:

- □ Parent or guardian, and child, are BC resident.
- □ The child's birth year is listed below, and the deadline has not passed:

BIRTH	APPLY BEFORE
2010	Day before 9 th birthday in 2019
2011	Day before 9 th birthday in 2020
2012	Day before 9 th birthday in 2021
2013	Day before 9 th birthday in 2022
2014	Start applying on 6 th birthday in 2020

Once you open an account, known as a Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP), the Government of British Columbia will deposit a \$1,200 BC Training and Education Savings Grant into the RESP for your child. Students can use the money to pay for their education expenses, such as books, tools, rent or transportation, in an apprenticeship program, a trade school, CEGEP, college, or university.

Make a plan today: you don't have to put any money into the RESP for your child to receive the \$1,200

Step 1: Get a Social Insurance Number (SIN) for you and your child. Go to
<u>https://canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/sin/apply.html</u> or call 1-800-622-6232 to find out how.

Step 2: Make an appointment with a financial organization that offers RESPs. Bring the **SINs for you** and your child and say:

"I want to open an RESP and get the BC Training Education Savings grant for my child."

Learn More: <u>https://www2.gov.bc.ca/BCTESG</u>

Contact: <u>BCTESG@gov.bc.ca</u>

Your child may also be eligible for other, federal incentives, see: <u>https://canada.ca/education-savings</u>.