

\$1,200 BC Training and Education Savings Grant

As part of my ministry update on March 24, I let you know about the new \$1,200 BC Training and Education Savings Grant for B.C. resident children born on or after January 1, 2007.

The Ministry of Education is asking if school districts can help inform families about the grant. To that end, four posters for each elementary school in the province are currently being mailed to school administrators. An example of the posters is attached, and it has also been translated into

If possible, please encourage schools to display the posters. In addition, the information below can be cut and pasted into school newsletters.

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The Province of British Columbia recently announce a new \$1,200 BC Training and Education Savings Grant for B.C. resident children born on or after January 1, 2007. To access the grant, families must open a Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP) before eligible child's seventh birthday (or by February 28, 2014 for children born in January or February 2007). No matching or additional financial contributions are needed to access the \$1,200 savings grant. If families already have an RESP set up, no further action is required at this time.

For more information on how to open an RESP please visit www.canlearn.ca and for more information on the BCTESG visit www.budget2013.ca/featuredpages/education/