



You Snooze, You Lose

Just a heads up....

The annual application deadline for the 2011-2012 school year has passed.



If you submitted an application on time, you should hear from us within 6-8 weeks regarding the status of your funding...just be patient...there are a LOT of applications to go through!!!

If you were late submitting your application, your application WILL NOT be eligible for funding this year. For alternate sources of funding, please visit our website at www.advancingfutures.gov.ab.ca

If you have any questions regarding your application, please call your program coordinator. It's super busy (and it's vacation season), so be aware that it might take a day or two to hear back!

Youth Resiliency Survey and the Advancing Futures Online Orientation

We are getting a LOT of calls from curious students when it comes to completing the Orientation and Resiliency Survey.

Here is what you need to know:

Instructions on completing the orientation and survey are included with your **Conditional Approval Letter**. Please read the instructions carefully and it will walk you through step-by-step.

If you are having technical difficulties, make sure your pop-up blocker is OFF. You can also try using a different computer as sometimes older computers don't like to co-operate with our system!

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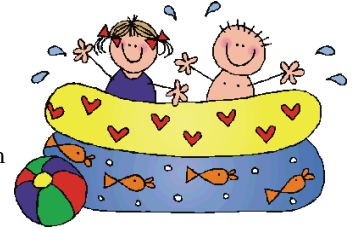
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or story you would like
published, send it our
way!*

Reduced Cost Recreation!

For those of us that don't have the luxury of air conditioning, we usually have to make do with popsicles and a kiddie pool to beat the heat!



Well, what if we told you that for around \$10 a month, you can turf that inflatable pool (keep the popsicles because they are yummy!) and take a dip in the big kid pool!

The City Of Edmonton, City of Calgary, YMCA, and most other cities and towns offer reduced monthly rates for low income individuals and families!

For information on reduced rates, eligibility, and how to apply:

YMCA Opportunity Fund: Edmonton: www.edmonton.ymca.ca

Calgary: www.ymcacalgary.org

City of Edmonton-Leisure access program: www.edmonton.ca

City of Calgary-Fee assistance: www.calgary.ca



PARENTS: What's more annoying than mosquitoes in the summertime? Hearing "I'm BOOOORED!" from the kidlets EVERY FIVE MINUTES! The good news is that many fee reduction programs usually include the cost of summer camps for the little ones, so it's certainly worth looking into if you value your sanity!!! Earplugs are also a cost-effective solution!

Interesting Career Projections...will YOU be in de-

Alberta Advanced Education and Technology and Alberta Employment and Immigration have come together to forecast Labour Growth and Labour Shortages for the next eight years.

They are able to determine where shortfalls and surpluses will occur based on the current labour shortage in each field compared to the projected growth of the field. That will tell us which careers will need more people and which ones already have too many.

Here is a basic breakdown:

Trades and Technology - Projected to be short **12,045** (you'll have a job before you graduate!)

Health Sciences - Projected to be short **10,805** (no job competition!)

Business - Projected to be short **5,310** (you'll have your pick of job offers!)

Physical, Natural and Applied Sciences - Projected to be short **4,391** (start studying!)

Languages, Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities - Projected surplus of **1,940** (slim pickin's)

Recreation - Projected to be short **776** (get paid to play!)

Education - Projected surplus of **100** (if you value job security, this might not be the best path)

Legal and Security - Projected surplus of **368** (only the top of the class will get the job)

Remember:

These job projections are not written in stone, but it may provide some insight into your job opportunities after you graduate. **Shortages** mean lots of job opportunities, and **surpluses** mean too many people, not enough jobs.