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## Child Welfare Youth in Skilled Trades Program



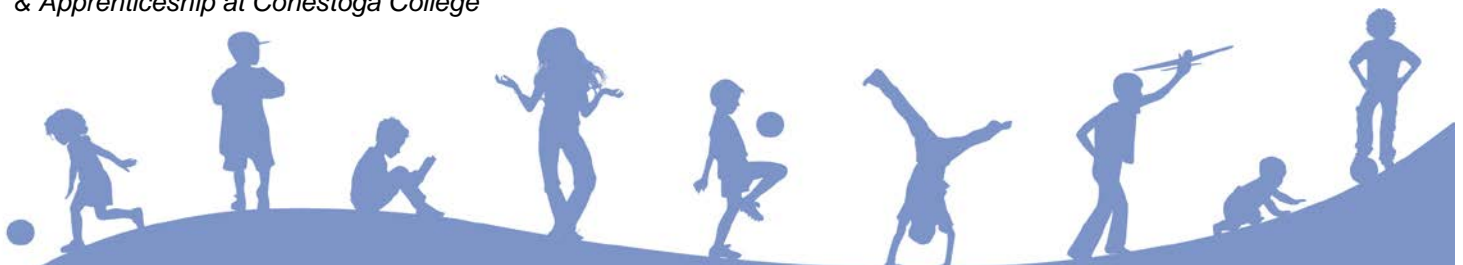
Tuesday, May 19, 2015 MPP Liz Sandals, Minister of Education, officially announced that the Child Welfare Youth in Skilled Trades Program is receiving a funding grant from the Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure through their Youth Skills Connection Program. The event took place at Conestoga College and was highlighted in the Guelph Mercury:

<http://www.guelphmercury.com/news-story/5634541-program-gives-aged-out-crown-wards-skilled-training/>

The Child Welfare Youth in Skilled Trades Program is the result of a collaborative effort between Family & Children's Services of Guelph and Wellington County (F&CS), Second Chance Employment Counseling and Conestoga College. The program offers skills based training and academic upgrading to youth in care and youth or young adults who are or have been involved with child welfare services. The skills training programs which are Gas Metal Arc Welding and Basic Machining, offer participants entry into 2 high demand employment fields.



L to R: Sheila Markle - F&CS Service Director, Daniel Moore - F&CS Executive Director, Chris Baginski-Hansen - Second Chance Executive Director, MPP Liz Sandals - Minister of Education, 2 Program Participants, President John Tibbits - Conestoga College, Brenda Gilmore - Conestoga Program Liaison, Rachel Banham - Chair Trades & Apprenticeship at Conestoga College



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