

Skills Strategy Equipment Enhancement Fund

Application Criteria and Guidelines

Application Criteria

Applications to the Skills Strategy Equipment Enhancement Fund (SSEEF) for new equipment or equipment upgrades will be prioritized based on whether programs demonstrate the following:

1. Have or are pursuing (in the case of trade TVE clusters) recognition through demonstrated collaboration with Apprenticeship Manitoba to accredit existing programs.
2. Focus on equipment that supports principles of sustainability and green jobs.
3. Promote participation in the High School Apprenticeship Program (HSAP).
4. Put students on the path to qualify for skilled, technical, or green jobs in Manitoba.
5. Put students on the path to further education and training.

To be eligible for support, all SSEEF applicants must demonstrate how their request will:

6. Bring programming up to current industry and workplace standards.
7. Meet the needs of existing or emerging technical and vocational education curriculum.
8. Support educational outcomes that are consistent with current industry and business standards through the purchase of tools and equipment used in modern and safe workplaces.
9. Bring programming up to current Workplace Safety and Health standards.
10. Outline articulation and credit recognition potential by industry, business, and post-secondary partners.

Incomplete applications and applications received after May 31, 2024, will not be processed.

Note: SSEEF applications should note any industry, post-secondary, or community-based consultation that has taken place.

Application Guidelines

The following information must be included when filling out the *Skills Strategy Equipment Enhancement Fund (SSEEF) Application and Recommendation Form*:

School, School Division, and Program Information

Provide name of school and a brief description of the approved technical-vocational or industrial arts program for which funding is requested.

Equipment Requests, Quotes, and Additional Costs

Outline equipment requests as follows:

- Provide an accurate description of equipment to be purchased or leased.
- List quote information on the form and attach three price quotes from suppliers. Quotes from website links will not be accepted. Include quotes for additional equipment costs associated with the purchase. All quotes must be in Canadian funds and include all applicable taxes.
- Provide additional equipment costs such as delivery, installation, and set-up costs (congruent with code requirements) by clearly identifying them in the “Additional Costs” section of the application form. Some additional costs may not be covered. Applications should indicate if additional costs will be covered by the school or school division where necessary. Consumable operating costs are not eligible.

Program Impacts

Describe what your students will learn by using this equipment.

Demonstrated Educational Need

Provide evidence of proposed equipment need(s) to support program currency, relevance, enrolment, and regional labour market needs.

Is this equipment currently used in the industry? If yes, how?

Consultation

Describe any consultations conducted with business, industry, or post-secondary partners to determine the need for this new equipment. Indicate if the program has an advisory committee.

Partnerships

Describe any industry, business, and/or post-secondary program partnerships, including the High School Apprenticeship Program (HSAP).

Coherence

Indicate any relationship between this programming and other on-site or divisional programming or interdisciplinary activities.

Additional Comments

Provide any additional relevant program information.

Recommendations

Ensure applications are recommended and signed by the school principal and the school division superintendent.