



Minister of Business, Mining, Trade and Job Creation

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Dear Graduating Students and Families,

As we move into the second half of the school year, graduation is quickly approaching—a moment of celebration, reflection, and future-planning for students, families, and caregivers alike. This is a momentous occasion where we celebrate all the hard work and dedication that have brought you to this milestone.

This is also an opportunity to plan, and begin building, your future. Important decisions about future schooling, work, and career await you. As you begin to plan your next steps, I invite you to consider a career in the skilled trades.

Why a Career in the Skilled Trades?

- Skilled trades are for everyone— no matter your background, there's a place for you
- High earning potential—journeypersons earn competitive wages with a high ceiling for growth as their careers progress
- Job stability—the skilled trades are needed in every region of our province and remain relevant even as technology evolves
- Earn while you learn—80% of training happens on the job, allowing students to earn good wages while accumulating training hours
- A dynamic, fulfilling career—hands-on work, visible results, and the chance to make a meaningful impact in your community and province
- Clear pathways for advancement— from journeyperson to supervisory roles, management, leadership, and even business ownership

In the coming years, there will be an unprecedented demand for new skilled workers as a generation of tradespeople retire and we build key infrastructure such as schools, personal care homes, hospitals, and roads throughout the province.

Skilled trades are more than a job; they're an engaging and rewarding career. Our government is working to expand access to the trades and build opportunities for apprenticeship in all regions of our province.

As the Minister responsible for Apprenticeship Manitoba, I am excited about the future of our province—and that future includes you. I hope you will consider the skilled trades and the opportunity to help us build up our province and communities in the years to come.

Don't wait for a career. Build it here. Become an apprentice.
To learn more about trade and apprenticeship opportunities, please visit:
www.gov.mb.ca/apprenticeship/index.html



Wishing you continued success in all your future endeavors,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jamie Moses". The signature is fluid and cursive, positioned above the printed name.

Jamie Moses
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