



## **Trades Awards Criteria and Information**

### **Background**

The TLA Board has approved the expenditure of \$5,000 annually over a five year period to go towards educational awards for students taking approved trades training with the intent of entering the coastal forest workforce. There are many components to these awards that the committee has identified as conditions that must be met before students may receive such an award from the TLA.

### **The successful applicant must:**

- Be enrolled in a trades apprenticeship or pre-apprenticeship program at an institution approved by the TLA.
- Be enrolled in a trade that has been identified by the committee as in demand within the forest sector (heavy duty mechanic, hydraulic repairs/technician, dryland sorting/grading courses, welding, partsmen/stores management)
- Be sponsored by a TLA member that is committed to providing the student with a position to allow them to carry out their apprenticeship requirements
- Be prepared to pay the full cost of their yearly education and upon successful completion of their yearly courses be paid the award from the TLA
- Accept that these awards are provided on a first come first serve basis from the TLA and will be guided by the details of the policy governing such.
- Be interested in beginning their career with a TLA member company operating in the coastal forest industry.

### **The award process:**

- Applications must come from TLA members in good standing at the time of application
- Awards will be evaluated and awarded on a first-come first-serve basis
- Only one application will be approved from each registered TLA member company annually unless there are no other applicants
- Successful applicants must be registered in an approved course of study within 13 months of the day of their application
- Successful applicants must successfully complete the course or component of the course that they have applied for within 25 months of their application
- Successful applicants will only be considered for a second consecutive award if there are no other applicants
- The decisions of the TLA awards committee will be final and not open for dispute