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## Apprenticeship and trades qualification programs reviewed

WHITEHORSE— The Department of Education is conducting an evaluation of its apprenticeship and trades qualification programs to ensure their continuing long-term success.

"For more than 50 years, the apprenticeship and trades qualification programs have upheld a high standard of excellence that serves tradespersons, employers and their clients," Minister of Education Doug Graham said. "We are inviting partners and stakeholders to give us feedback on how the programs are serving them, as part of our ongoing work to ensure that Yukon is a great place to live, work, play and raise a family."

Over the next several weeks, apprentices, tradespeople, employers, educators, non-profit organizations and others will complete online surveys and participate in focus groups aimed at identifying what works well and what government might do to improve the programs.

"Tradespeople provide the infrastructure and services that we all need in order to have successful businesses and thriving communities," Graham added. "Effective apprenticeship and trades qualification programs make a vital contribution to Yukon's economy, and our government is committed to ongoing evaluation and support of these programs."

The report on the review, including program recommendations, will be completed in spring 2016.

## **Learn more:**

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