Program Goals:

• Provide employment-related settlement services to students and youth who are newcomers to Canada.

• Employment transition supports for newcomer youth using the Settlement Workers in Schools (SWIS) model.

Services Offered

• Activities will support the development and use of tools and products for learning, skills development, career planning and career development.

• Service activities include: outreach, client assessment, case management, career development info, job search and resume building.

• Activities will also be designed to provide work experience, mentoring and coaching.

Who do I contact for more information?

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YESS Program

Youth Employment and Skills Strategy Program





Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada



What is the **YESS** Program?

YESS is a program designed to support students and youth who are newcomers to Canada who would like to find employment, learn new skills and connect with the community.



Where is it located?

South Burnaby Adult Education Centre

(at Burnaby South Secondary)

5455 Rumble St Burnaby, BC V5J 2B7

When does it meet?

The YESS program is flexible — we aim to meet with students 2-3 times per week for about an hour each time. Days will depend on the student's schedule.



Who should join?

If you are a newcomer to Canada between the ages of 15 and 30 who would like support in reaching your employment goals, the YESS program is for you!

Students who are disengaged and not regularly attending school, those who are unable to finish their graduation credits by the end of their grade 12 year, or those who have left school and are seeking support in taking your next steps.

Who runs the YESS program?

YESS is delivered by Settlement Workers in School Programs funded by the IRCC (Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada).

How do I start?

Please contact one of the program facilitators! The contact information is on the back of this brochure.



What can I expect?

The goal of the YESS program is to support you in your long and short term employment goals.

For example: if you are hoping to find a job in the trades (like construction or as a chef), we can help you learn new skills, get training, get tools and connect you with employers.

If you would like to start your own business, we can help you learn about what it would take to get started.

If you are just starting to think about your future, we can help you to make a plan and get started with your resume!