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As the government plans to accept applications for the 2021 Canada Student Job Program (CSJ) as of December 21st, 2020, Stephanie wants to be sure that Calgary Midnapore businesses who would like to participate have the information they need to get their applications ready. Those who don't have an account on the secure [Government Grants and Contributions Online Services](#) portal are encouraged to create one prior to the launch of the application process. Registration is a one-time process that allows employers to submit their applications for CSJ funding and other funding opportunities offered through Employment and Social Development Canada.

Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion will make 120,000 job opportunities available to young Canadians through CSJ next year.

The employer application period for CSJ 2021 will open on Monday, December 21, 2020, and close on Friday, January 29, 2021. Not-for-profit organizations, public-sector employers, and private-sector employers with 50 or fewer full-time employees can start preparing their applications now to hire a young Canadian.

Some of the flexibilities introduced for CSJ 2020 due to COVID-19 will continue to be applied this year to help small businesses operate. These include:

- a wage subsidy, so that private and public-sector employers can receive up to 75 percent of the provincial or territorial minimum hourly wage for each employee (not-for-profit organizations will continue to receive 100 percent);
- an extension to the end date for employment to February 26, 2022; and
- allowing employers to hire staff on a part-time basis.

Applicant Guide will be available [online](#) as of Monday, December 21, 2020 which will provide instructions on how to fill out an application, eligibility requirements and assessment criteria. Service Canada will automatically post all positions funded by CSJ to the [Job Bank](#) website and mobile app to help employers fill positions with qualified young people looking for work in their communities. Job Bank is the primary source of information for youth on the availability of CSJ-funded positions.