

Submit your application for the CTF Scholarship Program [here](#). The CTF Scholarship Program is for the best Year 10 students (going into Year 11 the following year) each year!

The successful Scholarship applicants will complete one of the Certificate II Programs listed below, but will also receive additional industry mentoring, specialised training and the pick of workplace learning over two years.

This will make them the most employable school leavers in WA! The Scholarship Program covers the cost of your tuition, Training Provider enrolment costs, safety equipment and clothing. There will never be any cost to the school, student, or parents.

You can apply for scholarships in any one of the following programs:

- (52824WA) -Certificate II Building and Construction – Trades Pathway
- (52825WA) - Certificate II Building and Construction – Paraprofessional Pathway (Construction Management and Design)
- (52700WA) - Certificate II Plumbing
- (RII202720) - Certificate II in Civil Construction (continuing pilot)
- (52824WA) - Certificate II in Building and Construction Trades Pathway – (Dual Stream Outcome Pilot) the “Artisan Pathway”.¹

Who delivers what? And where?

South Metro TAFE delivers the Trades, and Business Pathways from Rockingham, Peel and Thornlie. Also, the (Pilot) Artisan pathway from Rockingham and Thornlie. 1 day per week.

¹ (52824WA) - Certificate II in Building and Construction Trades Pathway, delivered under the expectation that one of the trade streams “Tiling, Bricklaying, Solid Plastering, or Wall and Ceiling Lining will form the enrolled qualification, and the secondary stream will be delivered as an additional skill-set.

MPA Skills delivers the Plumbing Pathway and has several locations in the Central Metro, Jandakot, South West BRTTC, and the North Metro. If you are keen on becoming a world-class painter, register your interest and run a course from either John Forrest TTC or their Maylands Campus. 1 day per week.

Skill Hire WA delivers the Trades Pathway from Kelmscott, Joondalup and the South West BRTTC. Subject to applications, we may also get a course running in Aveley/Ellenbrook. 1 day per week.

Pilot program/s?

This year there will be several pilot program's available for students to select.

Motivation Foundation/Academy will run certificate II in Civil Construction from their facility in West Swan. Tim's team has had excellent success in a short period of time transitioning graduates into the workplace.

North Metro TAFE will enter the fold as a new training provider in partnership with the Apprenticeship and Traineeship Company ('ATC') who will provide support services. 1 – 2 days (confirmation forthcoming re: days).

The pilot will run from the Balga and Clarkson campus' and will deliver the (52824WA) Certificate II Building and Construction – Trades Pathway but in this version, students will come out with a dual qualification; we are calling this pathway the "Artisan Pathway".

Students will achieve the Certificate II Building and Construction – Trades Pathway (52824 WA) like other versions of the program but will complete units from two trade streams (along with the common core units) during their studies. The four streams available for this pathway are:

1. Wall & Ceiling lining
2. Solid Plastering
3. Tiling, and
4. Bricklaying

ATC will assist with the program by finding work placements, providing mentoring, and co-ordinating a host of enrichment programs.

I presented the Artisan Pilot to VET teachers at a recent joint CathEd/AISWA PD day. Feedback from South Metro schools was that they would also like to have this opportunity. So, now they do! Assisted by past student interest in the area, **South Metro TAFE** will also deliver the pilot from their Thornlie and Rockingham campus', along with ordinary Scholarship delivery options.

Summary table of above...

Qual v location	Trades Pathway (52824WA)	Paraprofessional Pathway (52825WA) - (Construction Management and Design)	Certificate II Plumbing (52700WA)	Certificate II in Civil Construction (RII202720)	Artisan Pathway (52824WA) (Pilot) Solid Plasting/Wall & Ceiling	Artisan Pathway (52824WA) (Pilot) Bricklaying/Tiling	Painting Pathway (52824WA)
Forrestfield	Skill Hire						
Joondalup	Skill Hire						
Clarkson						North Metro TAFE	
John Forrest TTC			MPA Skills				
Maylands							MPASkills
Jandakot			MPA Skills				
West Swan				Motivation Foundation			
Bunbury			MPA Skills				
Eaton	Skill Hire						
Thornlie	South Metro TAFE	South Metro TAFE				South Metro TAFE	
Rockingham	South Metro TAFE				South Metro TAFE		
Mandurah	South Metro TAFE						
Aveley	Skill Hire						
Balga					North Metro TAFE		

Cost?

CTF pays for everything. There is no cost. Est value \$10,000 for someone who reaches completion.

So how does it work with school?

It's always best to check against the WACE manual, but the three CTF Scholarship Qualifications on offer are what is considered "Industry Specific Programs", so the contribute to the units required to achieve your WACE.

The courses typically run on a Friday and are timetabled into most schools' class schedule. It takes up the full school day. Although students are out of school, they're still enrolled school students.

There are roughly 500 hours to complete, including 220 hours workplace learning. Your scheduled training day will usually be delivered in blocks of terms at the training provider, then a similar amount of time scheduled out with an employer to put your skills into practice, and maybe even offer you a job!

The CTF's funding allows the training provider to search for interested workplaces so your school can focus on their educational requirements, and you can focus on learning.

What makes a successful applicant?

We're not looking for grades or OLNA/NAPLAN Scores.

We're looking for attitude, initiative, and resilience.

You need to know why you've applied, explain clearly why you're a good candidate.

Research. The more research you've done, the more it will fill you with confidence. First, confidence that you know you genuinely want to do the scholarship. Second, interviewers will appreciate that you can hold a conversation in the area of construction you've applied.

Insist on taking the lead with parents, and teachers. If your school's practice is to do the applications for you, insist that you do it with their supervision. Or when you're able, write another one yourself. I can tell when teachers have written your application, it might not stop you getting an interview, but it means you have to work harder to prove that you're independently motivated.

Your parents and teachers can't do the interview for you, start with the application.

Ask questions; of me, of people in the industry, of the training provider. It's pretty easy to find the phone number of the training providers and CTF, google it, give them/us a call yourself and find out the answers of anything you may be unsure.

Why am I pushing this point?

In the workforce, we look for initiative. If you rely on other people to do the work for you, then we'll just hire the other people. You want to work towards being the lynchpin in your organisation. That doesn't mean knowing it all straight away, but it does begin by doing the things you can do which are within your control and capabilities.

I put in an application, when will I know?

Applications close late August, be patient. You will be contacted before then by the training provider. If you want to seek some assurance. Call the training provider you put down as your preferred and see when they may be planning to schedule their interviews.

Note: TAFE receives hundreds of applications for many courses, and they will likely run their interviews for the Scholarship Program after August, and they may be slower than the other providers to contact you. Do not stress.

Do I have to enrol with the training provider too?

Yes. Each training provider has a slightly different process for their enrolments. If you receive a request from them for action, don't ignore it... enrolling with CTF relates to funding. Enrolling with them, relates to enrolling in the training of the course.

How do I apply?

Visit School Based Programs - Construction Training Fund (ctf.wa.gov.au) where you will find two options. The first is where teachers can nominate a student. Students will receive the application to complete. The second, is by students applying directly.

Each application the student completes will be the same either way, but by nominating, teachers provide us with updated contact details, making it easier to

contact you in the future, and we also can follow up with students who may have been nominated but are yet to apply.

It is best if we have two points of family contact, either two parent's/guardian's emails or a student and a parent's/guardian's email, all three is even better.

This is because, bounce backs happen often from typos.

Further, it's 2021. "I don't have an email" or "I don't check my email" is a poor excuse and not what we're looking for in an applicant. Outlook, Gmail, and many other providers give them out for free. You will need one anyway when it comes to later employment.

Apply Now

[School Based Programs - Construction Training Fund \(ctf.wa.gov.au\)](#)

VIDEO of GRADUATING CLASS 2019 -

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/AconCf91QKM?feature=oembed>

VIDEO of GRADUATING CLASS 2020 -

[CTF Scholarship Program 2020 graduates - Construction Training Fund](#)

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