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SMART AND SKILLED UPDATE - May 2024

Bert Evans Apprentice Scholarships – Applications now open

Applications are now open for the Bert Evans Apprentice Scholarships.

The scholarships offer financial assistance to first year apprentices in NSW who are experiencing hardship. They are designed to support eligible apprentices, including school-based apprentices, who have shown aptitude for their trade training and demonstrate a positive attitude both in the workplace and in their formal training.

There are a maximum of 150 scholarships available, each worth \$5,000 per year for up to three years.

Providers are encouraged to promote the Scholarship to their eligible first year apprentices.

Applications close **11:59pm Friday 31 May 2024**.

For further information, including eligibility criteria, please go to <http://education.nsw.gov.au/skills-nsw/bert-evans-scholarships>.

Smart and Skilled Review Notices 2024-25

Further to Smart and Skilled Update No. 230 released on 26 April 2024, the department anticipates offering Smart and Skilled Review Notices to eligible providers for the 2024-2025 Activity Period in early May, and by no later than 10 May 2024. The offer and acceptance process will be open for two weeks.

A subsequent Smart and Skilled Update will be distributed at the time Review Notices are offered, providing important information about Smart and Skilled contract documents and Approved Qualifications Activity Schedules, including Financial Caps.

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