

Summer Company Contest Rules & Regulations

1. Who Can Enter

The contest is open to those students, whose applications to the Ontario Summer Company program are fully *submitted* on-line, including a detailed business plan and cash flow, by the deadlines noted below. To receive the prize, a student must have their *submitted* application subsequently reviewed and *recommended* by a Summer Company Program Provider and *approved* by the Ministry of Small Business and Entrepreneurship and must start their Summer Company business in accordance with their business plan timelines.

If you're a student and have a great idea for starting a new business in the summer of 2008, then apply on-line at www.summercompany.ca. Complete the eligibility checklist, review the program requirements/guidelines and proceed with all aspects of the application process by the deadlines noted below:

NOTE:

The Summer Company Contest is **not** open to the following:

- Ministry of Small Business and Entrepreneurship Employees and members of their immediate families.
- Employees and staff of Small Business Enterprise Centres and Not-for-Profit program delivery partners and their immediate families.
- Volunteers involved in the delivery of the Summer Company Program as well as members of their immediate families.

2. Prizes

There are two (2) prizes to be won, each consisting of an HP 15.4" laptop and an HP DeskJet All-In-One Multifunction Centre printer. Activation or connection fees are not included.

3. Entry Period

There are 2 draws for the Summer Company Contest:

Draw #(1): all applications *submitted* for participation in the Summer Company Program and received on or before February 29th, 2008, 11:59 pm, EST and, Draw #(2); all applications *submitted* for participation in the Summer Company Program and received on or before March 31, 2008, 11:59 pm, EST.

Note: the winner of Draw #1 will **not be eligible** for participation in Draw #2

4. Winner Notification

One (1) winner will be selected from each Draw. The winners will be selected by random draw, to be held at the Ministry of Small Business and Entrepreneurship on March 31, 2008, (for Draw #1) and April 30, 2008 (for Draw #2). Draw #1 and Draw #2 will be held at 56 Wellesley St. West, 5th floor, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 2E7 during normal business hours on the dates noted. The chances of being selected depend on the number of entries.

The selected applicants will be notified by telephone within 15 days of the Draw and prior to being declared a winner, will be required to correctly answer, unaided and without mechanical or electronic assistance, a time limited mathematical skill-testing question, to be administered at a mutually convenient time. If the selected applicant is unable to correctly answer the skill-testing question or otherwise does not meet all contest conditions, including the start-up of the proposed Summer Company business, his or her prize will be forfeited and another entrant will be drawn from the remaining eligible entries. Prizes will be distributed approximately three weeks following the start-up of the winner's Summer Company business. All decisions are final.

5. Important Contest Notes

- By participating in this Contest, applicants to the Summer Company Program agree to release and hold harmless Her Majesty the Queen in right of Ontario, Her advisors, agents, employees, appointees, members of the Executive Council and their advisors and staff (the "Contest Parties") from and all liability whatsoever for any injuries, losses or damages of any kind arising from or in the course of: (i) awarding, acceptance, receipt, possession, use and/misuse of any prize awarded herein; or, (ii) participation in the Contest.
- To be declared a winner, the selected applicants will be required to sign a declaration and release to (a) confirm compliance with the official rules and regulations; (b) release the Contest Parties from all liability; (c) accept the prize as awarded; and (d) consent to the use of the applicant's name, address, likeness and/or image for publicity purposes in all mediums. The Ministry reserves the right, at its option, to publish any winner's name, address, photograph, likeness, voice or statement without further compensation to the winner. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the forfeit of the prize and selection of an alternate winner.
- The Contest is subject to all applicable federal, provincial and municipal laws and regulations.
- The Ministry reserves the right in its sole discretion to cancel or suspend the Contest should causes beyond the control of the Ministry corrupt the administration, security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of the Contest.
- The Ministry assumes no responsibility for any error, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operation or transmission, communications line failure, theft or destruction to or unauthorized alteration of the applications. The Ministry is not responsible for any problems or technical malfunctions whether computer related or resulting from participation or downloading of any materials in this Contest.
- The Ministry thanks CIBC Business Banking for partnership in the "Early Bird" Summer Company Contest.