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Support staff begin training

By Joel Ceausu
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A new cohort of hospital support staff workers began their training in Laval this week.

The Centre de services scolaire de Laval welcomed 355 students top their Centre de formation Compétences-2000 to begin their 3-month beneficiary attendant express training program, in partnership with the Laval integrated health and social services center (CISSS) and several private long-term care establishments in

Laval.

More than 3,000 applications for admission were received following the appeal from Quebec Premier François Legault for more workers in residential and long-term care centers (CHSLDs).

The call was buttressed by a boost in salaries, benefits and paid training.

The files were rapidly analyzed and students were contacted by the CISSS Laval and various private establishments to take the next step in the selection process, says CSSL director-general Yves-Michel Volcy. "The team worked very hard to

offer this certificate of professional studies which meets ministry requirements and makes available the largest number of candidates in the health network by September 15." The students will undergo 375 hours of in-class, virtual and on the job training.

The program benefits from a skilled and experienced teaching cadre, close collaboration with the CISSS Laval, availability of its premises and cutting-edge facilities that faithfully represent the reality of the workplace. ■



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The Suburban wins 27 Awards



By Suburban Staff

The three editions of *The Suburban* newspaper have combined to win 27 QCNA awards this year. "It is the highest number of awards we have ever won in any year," said Publisher Michael Sochaczewski. "We are so proud. In nine categories we had two different editions each win, like Best Special Section where we won 1st and 2nd place."

"It is really nice to see our writers, photographers and production staff get recognized for the excellent effort they put in," Sochaczewski said.

Joel Goldenberg, a veteran *Suburban* reporter, won recognition in the categories of Best Feature Series and Best News Story. Anthony Bonaparte won first place for Best Column Writing and both 1st and 3rd place for Best Editorial Cartoon. His caustic wit, and well chosen designs, make him an equal among peers, in a city with several other notable cartoonists.

Mark Lidbetter headlined both 1st and 2nd place forwait for it....Best Headline Writing. Mark also won third prize for Best Education Story titled. "Making a pitch on the pitch to further their Education". But Mark is our Sports Editor, and he also managed to earn third

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