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## TO ALL MUNICIPAL UNITS IN NOVA SCOTIA:

The Municipality of Barrington has made an application to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development to be able to provide a personal development credit to students who join a volunteer fire department and complete the required training.

Joining a volunteer fire department helps students with interpersonal and communication skills as well as problem solving while serving their community.

Along with the personal development of students this program also has the potential to increase fire department memberships. The age of firefighters is increasing and departments are finding it difficult to attract younger members. It is key to attract people into the fire department while they are young so they can form a lifelong connection with the service.

The Barrington Municipal Council would like to request your support for this application, in the form of a letter or otherwise, to allow schools in Nova Scotia to offer a Personal Development Credit for students that join a fire department and undergo the required training.

Yours truly,

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