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Cc: Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration (IRCC)
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Good day,

[redacted] **Representatives Mailbox**

Please note that this mailbox is intended for general guidance and does not provide responses to case-specific inquiries but have provided the following information as guidance.. If you have case specific questions about a file, you are encouraged to submit the IRCC Web form.

Please see our response to your question:

QUESTION

I'm wondering if an 18-year-old dependent of a provincial nominee/WP holder, is eligible to apply for a Study Permit to continue secondary studies. Everything that I find online says that 'minors' are eligible, but I can't find anything to confirm whether an 18-year-old in Canada with a SP could extend their stay as a student. I am feeling like they will need to apply for an open WP instead.

\sb240Suggested RESPONSE

Once an international student reaches the age of majority (18 or 19 years old, depending on the province or territory), they are no longer considered a minor under IRCC guidelines on minor students. While minor children of temporary residents (such as work permit holders) can study without a study permit, this exemption ends when they reach the age of majority.

If the 18-year-old already holds a valid study permit, they may apply from within Canada to extend their stay as a student by submitting a study permit extension application before their current permit expires. They do not need to leave Canada to do so, as study permit extensions can be processed while the applicant remains in Canada.

It's important to note that the individual would not qualify for an open work permit based solely on their age or dependency status. Open work permits are generally issued to post-secondary graduates eligible for a Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP) or individuals meeting other specific criteria.

We trust that this information will assist you.

Sincerely,

The Immigration Representatives Mailbox

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Envoyé : 4 février 2025 10:09
À Immigration Representatives / Représentants immigration [redacted]
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Objet : 18 year old dependent of Provincial Nominee

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[redacted]you can provide.