



# MEDIA ADVISORY

GREATER TORONTO AIRPORTS AUTHORITY

## ARE YOU "FESTI" TOUGH?

**In the last year, more than 2,000 trainees proved they were up to the challenge**

*May 2, 2008*

The Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA) is celebrating the first anniversary of the Fire and Emergency Services Training Institute (FESTI) at Toronto Pearson International Airport. FESTI is the ultimate training centre for fire and emergency services. The best of the best come to train at the institute recognized for instructors that have years of combined instructional and real life experience.

Since opening its doors to new recruits in April 2007, FESTI has successfully trained more than 2,000 people in areas such as Aircraft Rescue Firefighting, Auto Extrication, Structural Firefighting, Emergency Patient Care, and much more.

Media are invited to come out to the training facility to view trainees at work. There will be demonstrations on putting out aircraft fires, automobile fires and confined space rescue. Members of the media will also be invited to suit up and participate in some of the exercises along with the trainees and FESTI staff. Media are encouraged to bring additional staff to participate.

- Location:** Fire and Emergency Services Training Institute  
2025 Courtneypark Drive East  
From Dixie Road, proceed east on Courtneypark. Parking is provided on-site.
- Date:** Tuesday, May 6, 2008
- Time:** 10:00 am
- RSVP:** Please call to confirm attendance - 416-776-3709

Please wear appropriate attire for participation in demonstrations. Activities will take place on a gravel surface so proper footwear should be worn.

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