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‘Trades in Action’ Day gives Middle School Students Hands-on exposure to Trades Careers

Langley, BC - On October 20, grade eight students from Langley School District 35 will come to Kwantlen Polytechnic University campus in Cloverdale to take part in “Trades in Action” day and gain insight and hands-on experience in trades career options.

Resource Training Organization is sponsoring the event in conjunction with Kwantlen who will be hosting the event. This is a trades awareness workshop and provides students with an opportunity to experience some of the hands-on skills used in a variety of resource trade occupations and make connections to post secondary education trade opportunities in their communities.

The “Trades in Action” event will give the students an opportunity to have “hands on” projects in carpentry, electrical, millwright and plumbing/pipefitting trades with Kwantlen’s faculty and student apprentices. They also will also have a tour of the campus, some fun skills competitions and meet with Worksafe BC and Milwaukee Tools who will also have some fun hands on activities available.

The event is a “pilot project” organized by the Resource Training Organization (RTO). “Hands on workshops provide an opportunity to showcase and promote the apprenticeable trades as exciting and rewarding career options,” says Michelle Skelly, Communications Manager, RTO.

Michelle Skelly, RTO’s Communication’s Manager adds, “We have completed a number of successful events around the province and are looking forward to providing this opportunity to Langley students.

Resource Training Organization, located in Langley, BC, was established in 2007 to oversee the management and development of apprenticeship training for the resource sector in BC. RTO represents a cross-sectorial group of employees in the mining and smelting, oil and gas, pulp and paper, solid wood, heavy shipping and repair, and utilities sectors.

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