

November is Career Month

November 25-26 is Career Week

Canada Career Month



Each November, Canadians from coast-to-coast celebrate **Canada Career Month**. Focus is on the importance of accessing meaningful work and all those that help us in connecting with our preferred futures.

BC Careers Week

In BC, a new **governmental proclamation** has now identified **November 25-29, 2024** as our provincial "Careers Week", to support Career Education and expand students' knowledge of diverse career pathways.

Future in Focus: Building Career Resilience for Youth

"*Future in Focus: Building Career Resilience for Youth*" is a comprehensive program designed to equip **senior secondary students** with the skills, attitudes, strategies, and support systems necessary for **career resilience**. The program comprises four interactive workshops, each lasting two hours, focusing on:

1. **Self-Assessment and Career Exploration:** Helping students identify their strengths, interests, and potential career paths.
2. **Skill Development:** Enhancing essential skills such as communication, problem-solving, and adaptability.
3. **Strategic Planning:** Teaching goal-setting, decision-making, and action planning for career development.
4. **Support Systems:** Building networks and accessing resources to support career growth.



Additionally, a fifth workshop is available to engage parents, providing them with tools to support their children's career development. The program is accessible in both English and French.

For students, a great **career decision making downloadable (pdf) free workbook** resource is also available (<https://careermont.ca/career-decision-making-workbook/>)

Resource: [Career Month](#)

Skills Canada App for Students

The **Skills/Compétences Canada Mobile App** is a free resource designed to help students and families explore essential skills vital for success in trades and technology careers. Available for iOS and Android devices, the app offers:



- **Skill Assessments:** Interactive quizzes to evaluate proficiency in areas such as reading, writing, numeracy, and digital skills.
- **Career Profiles:** Information on over 40 skilled trade and technology careers, detailing required skills and potential career paths.
- **Educational Resources:** Access to tools and links for school programs, resources, and contact information related to trades and technology in Canada.

This app serves as a practical tool for students to identify their strengths and areas for improvement, guiding them toward fulfilling careers in the skilled trades and technologies.

Resource: [Skills Competences Canada](#)

Discovering Hidden Trades: Exploring Lesser-Known Careers in the Skilled Trades

Date & Time: Nov 27, 2024 10:00 AM (PST)

Skilled trades aren't just about carpentry or plumbing—there are many lesser-known trades that offer unique career opportunities. This webinar introduces you to trades like elevator mechanics, industrial insulation, rigging, and more. Learn about the specialized skills required, the growing demand for these trades, and how they play a crucial role in various industries. Whether you're exploring new career options or curious about expanding your knowledge, this session will provide valuable insights into these often-overlooked yet essential professions.

Registration: [Click Here](#)



27 November 2024
6:30PM
Online

CAREER PANELIST CHAT FOR TEENS AND PARENTS

Join us for a panel chat where you'll hear inspiring stories, explore diverse career paths, and get insider tips to turn your passions into a career you'll love. Experts from finance, technology, trades, healthcare, and HR/Business will be sharing their journey and advice.



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 Tamer Rahim Wealth Advisor Nicola Wealth	 Kelly Quinn Director in Health Care Nurse Next Door	 Aaron George Sous Chef and Food Truck Entrepreneur	 Gulsah Horasan HR Professional: Recruiting, talent management & employee engagement.	 Tom Kadota Solutions Engineer Belmar Consulting
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Highlights include:

- ✔ Interactive panel
- ✔ Diverse career perspectives
- ✔ Skills, education and journey
- ✔ Advice from panelists



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Thursday, November 28

Event 1: Education and Employers Charity — 9:30am (1 hour)

"Drawing the Future – 'What's My Line?'"

This session will present an interactive career exploration activity for students in grades 3 to 5 that challenges stereotypes often associated with certain careers. Students will share their impressions of careers and career pathways through drawing, then meet and hear from those working in diverse jobs. [Register your school for this event](#)

Career Resource Highlight: Work BC Youth

WorkBC – Youth offers a variety of resources to support youth in exploring careers, pursuing education, and gaining work experience. Key offerings include:

- **Career Exploration:** Tools like Career Discovery Quizzes and Career Trek videos help identify interests and showcase diverse job opportunities.
- **Education and Skills Development:** Information on post-secondary programs, co-operative education, and trades training is available to guide educational pathways.
- **Job Search Assistance:** Access to job boards, resume and interview preparation tips, and WorkBC Employment Services to aid in securing employment.
- **Entrepreneurship Support:** Resources for young entrepreneurs, including financing and mentorship opportunities, are provided to encourage business ventures.
- **Additional Support Services:** Programs like Foundry Work & Education Program offer employment and education support for youth facing multiple barriers.



These resources are designed to help youth navigate their career journeys and achieve their employment and educational goals.

Resource: <https://workbc.b89n0c-dev.nimbus.cloud.gov.bc.ca/plan-career/resources/youth>

Career Exploration for Youth



WorkBC

Explore new careers through videos and profiles. Find out about the education and skills needed.

[Career Discovery Quizzes](#) — Take one or more quizzes to help you explore your career direction.

[Career Trek](#) — Watch over 170 videos of people in a variety of jobs throughout B.C.

[B.C.'s High Opportunity Occupations](#) — Check out the top jobs in demand in B.C.

[WorkBC Career Profiles](#) — Find details on jobs that could be perfect for you, including salary, duties, education and expected demand.

[Discover the right trade for you](#) — Take a quick, fun quiz to explore the best skilled trades for you.

Education / Skills for Youth



WorkBC

Education opens doors to finding a job. Get information on the job skills that are in demand:

[EducationPlannerBC](#) — Search for post-secondary education programs by interest, subject, type of credential or institution.

[Find Your Path](#) — Find Your Path is a personalized, interactive education and career planning tool. Explore, save and share your selections all in one place.

[Upgrading](#) — Planning to upgrade or finish high school level courses to prepare for post-secondary training or education? Find a post-secondary institution or school near you that offers [upgrading courses](#).

[Co-operative Education Programs](#) — View B.C. co-op education programs by institution or program type, find contacts and learn about academic and work terms.

[Youth in Trades Programs](#) — SkilledTradesBC Youth Trade Programs let you get started in a trade while you're still in high school.

[Trades Training BC](#) — Explore trades programs, learn about apprenticeships and entry-level training, and use the BC Trades Training Seat Finder to identify openings you could apply for.

[Student Aid BC](#) — Find out how to fund your post-secondary education through student loans, grants and scholarships, and learn about programs that help with loan repayment.

[Tech Training](#) — NPower Canada offers free programs and certifications for job seekers looking for a career in the tech industry.

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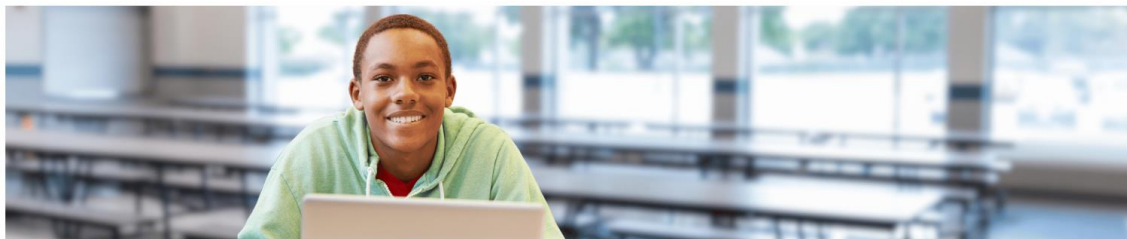
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Anytime Access to Real-World Learning Experiences

Our free, open-access, bite-sized programs are designed for students to engage independently in 30 minutes or less, mastering money skills and preparing for post-secondary education.

Program Menu 2024-25

Curious About Currency

Grades 7-9

Young people dive into the world of currency, what it is and why it's important now and in the future.

3 interactive learning modules

- This module complements our [Dollars with Sense](#) program – a guided experience led by volunteers or educators. Curriculum Match: Math, Career Education

Success Skills Webinars

Grade 8-10

Youth are empowered with skills to enhance their resilience, build confidence, and learn transferable skills.

3 on-demand videos and online resources

- This module complements our [Success Skills](#) program – a guided experience led by volunteers or educators. Curriculum Match: Career Education

Money Questions Answered

Grade 9-12

Young people can gain the money knowledge and skills they need for financial independence.

4 interactive learning modules and videos

- This module complements our [Personal Finance](#) program – a guided experience led by volunteers or educators. Curriculum Match: Math, Career Education

Preparing for Post-Secondary

Grade 8-10

Youth explore post-secondary pathways, learn about financial considerations and discover how to budget.

4 interactive learning modules

- This module complements our [Economics for Success](#) program – a guided experience led by volunteers or educators. Curriculum Match: Math, English, Career Education

Resource: <https://jabc.org/programs/direct-to-youth/>



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Current Programs



ClubKAST in Nelson

This program is an afterschool club at the Nelson and District Youth Centre.



Kootenay Contraption Contest

This month-long, annual contest invites Kootenay students from Kindergarten to Grade 8 to imagine, design and illustrate a "contraption" that solves a problem.



2024 Quantum Leaps

Quantum Leaps is an annual STEAM & Leadership conference celebrating innovation and expertise of local women in science and technology. This speaker social event is for all youth, ages 10-30, expanding exposure of the indispensable contributions to STEM by Kootenay women.

Resource: <https://kast.com/programs/youth/>