

CAREER CONNECTIONS



Career Programs

Career programs incorporate A.D.S.T. K-12, Career Education K-12, Work Experience, and The ITA Youth Work and Train in Trades Programs in the Chilliwack School District.

ITA Youth Work and Train in Trades Program

Allows students to register as youth apprentices with the Industry Training Authority as well as enroll in technical training that provides them with dual credit towards graduation.

Work Experience Program

The SD33 Work Experience program has been in operation for over 30 years and places over 300 students each year. We are committed to providing practical learning opportunities for our secondary school students. Work Experience is intended to prepare students for the transition from high school to the world of work or future training and education. Work Experience allows students to connect what they learn in the classroom with the skills and knowledge needed in the workplace and society.

Upcoming Events

Spring Firefighter Training:

A one-week immersive experience for students in Grade 11 & 12 occurring over Spring Break 2022 – Students will receive training in fire suppression, fire safety and on the job, experience working with our local Community Firefighters.

Regional Career Programs Applications:

Students interested in applying for a Trades program for their Gr. 12 year at U.F.V. need to have their applications in by March 10th, 2022. Students can collect applications from their WEX Facilitator or Apprenticeship Facilitator.

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“Reality Check” at Sardis Secondary

(January 28th, 2022)

- Immersive financial literacy activity for all Career Life Education (CLE) students
- Collaborative effort by Work Experience Facilitator, Career Advisor, CLE Teachers & Counselling Dept.
- Students were assigned a household income & family structure
- Students were tasked with creating a yearly budget by visiting 16 booths representing various costs of living (e.g. transportation, housing, clothing, entertainment, etc.)

CSS Hairdressing Prog. Graduation

(January 26th, 2022)

- 5th Cohort of students completed the 10-month I.T.A. Train in Trades Program
- Learned skills such as cutting, colouring, highlights, washing, setting and perming
- Each student completed two 3-week salon practicums in local community
- Many students will continue on as Apprentices and earn their Red Seal certification

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