

## Benefits of Secondary School Affiliation 2011-2012



### In-School Presentation

#### "Skills Work!®" What's Out There?



This informative, interactive in-school presentation will increase students' awareness of career opportunities in the skilled trades and technologies. Revised and updated annually, this multimedia presentation provides current, relevant information on post-secondary options. Presented in both official languages. Offered to schools as a benefit of affiliation.

### Ontario Technological Skills Competition

OTSC 2012: April 30 - May 2



Now in its 23rd year, the Ontario Technological Skills Competition (OTSC) is our cornerstone event, welcoming over 1900 students from across the province to compete in 63 contest areas. Qualifying Competitions (held in 2012 on April 14 at seven colleges) determine eligibility to compete at the OTSC in six contests. Visit 65 interactive exhibitor booths at the Career Exploration Showcase.

### Cardboard Events

#### Boat Races, Video Challenge & Soap Box Derby



Our Cardboard Boat Races and Video Challenges have been delighting and inspiring senior elementary and secondary students for 17 years. In 2011-2012, these will be run in: Espanola, Thunder Bay, Ottawa, London, Sutton and Toronto. New in 2012, the Soap Box Derby for elementary and secondary students will be held on March 6 & March 8. Visit our website for location details.

### Programs for Young Women

#### Networking Dinners and Conferences



Every fall and winter, Skills Canada-Ontario hosts several "Skills Work!® for Women" Networking Dinners throughout the province, pairing young women in high school with female mentors working in the skilled trades and technologies. Part of the OTSC, the "Think Skills...Think Future" Young Women's conferences are full-day events for senior elementary and secondary girls.

### Recognition

#### Awards and Bursaries



We arrange for the presentation of monetary awards to top-ranking OTSC competitors, courtesy of industry. Those who advance to the National Competition also each receive a bursary from Skills Canada-Ontario to assist with travel costs, thanks to our annual fundraising Gala. The OTSC Closing Ceremony and the Gala are events at which dedicated educators are also honoured.

### Resources

#### "Skills Work!®" Booklets



Affiliated schools receive a one-time complimentary class set of "Skills Work!®" Booklets, a valuable resource for any student who is interested in the skilled trades and technologies. Providing detailed information on more than five dozen careers across every sector, the booklet lists qualifications, typical wages, apprenticeable trades and profiles. Additional booklets can be purchased.

For a full listing of our programs, events and competitions, please visit our website!