



## UMOJA

Skilled Trades and Technology Conference for Black Students and Families

Umoja is the first principle of Kwanzaa – a 7 day annual celebration from December 26<sup>th</sup> to January 1<sup>st</sup>. This celebration is rooted in African harvest festival traditions.

*Umoja means UNITY in Swahili.*

### SYNOPSIS:

UMOJA is an inspirational virtual conference that focuses on promoting careers in Skilled Trades and Technology for Black students and their families.

#### *This event will include:*

- Skills Ontario Presentation
- Motivational Speaker from the Black community
- Inspirational Speakers – a panel of Skilled Trades and Tech professionals from the Black community
- A comprehensive information package that:
  - summarizes Conference content
  - assists with navigating post-secondary pathways
  - assists with identifying and accessing programs and resources

#### *Learning Objectives:*

- What is a Skilled Trade and Technology Career?
- Post-secondary pathways, programs, and resources
- How to utilize available programs and resources to succeed
- The Black experience in pursuing success and fulfillment in trades and technology careers
- How to overcome barriers and challenges

GRADES 7/8: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 | 1:00 – 2:30 PM EST

GRADES 9-12: Wednesday, February 9, 2022 | 1:00 – 2:30 PM EST