

# **ESSENTIAL SKILLS ACTIVITIES**

SKILLS CANADA NATIONAL COMPETITION RBC CONVENTION CENTRE WINNIPEG MB JUNE 1-2, 2017 The 2017 Skills Canada National Competition will continue its ongoing objective of highlighting the importance of the nine Essential Skills commonly used in skilled trade and technology careers.

Essential Skills will be one of the highlights of the two-day competition. Students and guests will engage in hands-on challenges, presentations, and interactive activities intended to increase their awareness of the Essential Skills!

In 2017, SCC is giving special emphasis to Working with Others



### **ESSENTIAL SKILLS STAGE**

In 2017, the Essential Skills stage will demonstrate over a dozen 30 minute interactive presentations. Representatives from industry, associations, and colleges will show what it takes to work in their sectors. Past demonstrations included UA Canada, TransCanada, New Brunswick Community College, and McCordick A Bunzl Company.

#### ESSENTIAL SKILLS PASSPORT TRY-A-TRADE® AND TECHNOLOGY ACTIVITIES

These activities enable visitors to put their skills to the test and get a feel for the trades. Visitors complete small projects, including bricklaying, electrical wiring, graphic design and cooking. In many instances, visitors can bring home a product that they created with their own hands.

Students are encouraged to complete a passport where they identify the Essential Skills used at various Try-a-Trade<sup>®</sup> and Technology activities. Submitted passports are eligible to win a prize.



## ESSENTIAL SKILLS WEBCAST ESSENTIAL SKILLS FO

This live national webcast will be available online and is hosted at the competition site. A series of guests will discuss the importance of Essential Skills in their respective industries. Celebrity guests will speak about their experiences with the Essential Skills. Watch on site or stream in through our website at skillscanada.com.

## ESSENTIAL SKILLS MOBILE APP BOOTH

The first of its kind, the Essential Skills App will again will be present at the Skills Canada National Competition. With new Essential Skills questions added this year, Mobile App stations will be available for visitors to test their Essential Skills. They will be asked to maneuver through a quiz and see what trades and technology occupations best suit their Essential Skill level. Check out what career options are available to you!

## ESSENTIAL SKILLS FORUM/ STAKEHOLDER ROUNDTABLE (JUNE 1)

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HOSTED BY SKILLS/COMPÉTENCES CANADA AND THE CANADIAN APPRENTICESHIP FORUM

This event will bring together over 150 educators, career practitioners, administrators, and parents in a forum that will enable them to understand the importance of educating youth about the Essential Skills and their prominence in the skilled trade and technology sectors.

Industry and government representatives, educators, apprentices and alumni will share their views on the importance of preparing youth for these occupations before they leave the high school system.

With the use of visuals and interactive elements, the audience will be engaged in the world of the Essential Skills and take away important knowledge that can be integrated in their classroom activities.

For more information or to register: **<u>bit.ly/buildingblocksregister</u>** 



