

SAFE WORKERS PRACTICUM

EIGHTEEN students who are enrolled in semester one compulsory Management Skills 40S, and the Career & Technology Studies program at MacGregor Collegiate, participated in a full day safe work practicum under the guidance of Safe Workers of Tomorrow, through partnership with Rosehill Woodcrafters, and MacGregor Elementary School. Topics covered in the presentations included worker rights and employer responsibilities, hazard recognition and control, health and safety legislation, WHMIS, injury reporting, and the role of the Workers Compensation Board. Presentations were delivered by energetic and knowledgeable SAFE Workers of Tomorrow staff who employed a variety of techniques to engage participants and foster student led discussions. Students received a Workplace Safety and Health resource book, and other useful take-away items to help them better prepare for the world of work. Following the morning’s presentation, students toured partner work sites to implement a safety audit and learn from site partners about the various workplace health and safety issues specific to their workplace.

SEVENTY-TWO grade nine students at both William Morton Collegiate and MacGregor Collegiate were also exposed to safety training through a one-hour presentation geared towards preparing them for the Nov. 2nd, “Take Your Kid to Work Day”. Presenters covered topics such as, prevention of workplace injury, illness and death, WHMIS, Health and Responsibilities of Manitoba employers and Manitoba workers along with use of personal protective equipment, and proper procedure for reporting workplace injuries.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR students and 20 staff at William Morton Collegiate, Hidden Valley School, and West Plains School attended the Safe Work on Wheels presentation. The Safe Work on Wheels initiative is a portable training trailer and its presentations are applicable to many different industries. The presenters offered interactive, engaging displays on fall protection, correct “Lifting”, Hand Safety and Eye Protection. Driving home workplace safety is one of the key reasons for PCSD’s commitment to Safe Work presentations and training. Grade 10 students across the division will soon complete their CPR/First Aid Training before beginning their exploration of future careers through the Management Skills 40S Internship.

Since Safe Workers of Tomorrow started in 1997 they have presented to well over 200, 000 students across Manitoba; last year alone they delivered their message to 39, 274 students in the province. As part of the CTS (Career & Technology Studies) program, Pine Creek School Division is committed to preventing workplace injury and fatality among young and vulnerable workers by raising awareness of workplace safety and health issues.

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