

If you have a parttime job or you are volunteering you can earn high school credits. Every 25 hours of work is one credit and you can earn up to 15 high school credits towards your high school diploma. You need a minimum of three credits/75 hours of work. You can use the mark you receive to boost your average for the Alexander Rutherford Scholarship and many university programs accept work experience as a fifth course entrance requirement.

## **GREEN CERTIFICATE**

If you are working on a farm or at a greenhouse you can take an excellent, hands-on program that will award you 16, 30-level credits. The specialties are cow/calf, swine, feed lot, irrigated crop, field crop, poultry, sheep, dairy, and beekeeping.

## REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

The skilled trades are in high demand. Most trades in Alberta take four years with 1,560 hours of work for an employer each year. RAP enables you to get a head start on those hours. All of the hours you work, once you are signed up go towards your first-year hours, plus you are paid, plus you ear high school credits-every 125 hours of work is 5 credits, to a maximum of 40 credits. These hours can be worked if you have a flexible schedule at school, holidays etc. See contact information below to discuss the program in more detail or if you are working in the trade but are not signed up as an apprentice. At the end of grade 12 students are eligible for a \$1,000 scholarship, with no strings attached. See tradesecrets.alberta.ca for more information regarding the 47 trades

## TRY A TRADE NIGHT FOR GRADE 9-12 STUDENTS AND PARENTS/GUARDIANS

On Wednesday, Nov. 22 from 6:30-8 p.m., students will have an opportunity to try a trade at a local business. It is an opportunity to try some welding, grease a trailer at a heavy equipment shop, etc. There will be a significant number of businesses/trades students can choose from in Lethbridge, Coaldale, Taber, Picture Butte, Coalhurst, and Fort Macleod. Parents may attend and participate if they wish. You will receive details about the businesses/trades that will be involved and the registration process the last week of October.

## **MORE INFORMATION**

For more information regarding these programs or indicating that you have a job and would like to sign up for work experience, please contact Andrew Krul (off-campus education co-ordinator) at Andrew.krul@lethsd.ab.ca or 403.894.0375. Because we work with all five high schools, please remember to include your full name and the school you attend.