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## **Comox Valley Schools holds successful Careers and Related Activities Week**

**Comox Valley, B.C.** – Comox Valley Schools recently held a very successful Careers and Related Activities Week, aligning with the StrongerBC: Future Ready Action Plan. The week-long event featured a series of interactive and educational activities aimed at expanding students' knowledge of career possibilities and the skills required in various professions.

Highlights of the week included classroom presentations by local business leaders and parents, sharing insights into their career pathways and the competencies needed in their fields. The events were tailored for students from kindergarten to Grade 12, ensuring an inclusive and comprehensive educational experience.

"We are very thankful to all the people, businesses, and organizations who contributed their time and expertise to this year's Careers and Related Activities Week," said Dawn Anderson, District Career Support Teacher, Comox Valley Schools. "We've illuminated some of the myriad of opportunities awaiting our youth. Our goal is to bridge the gap between classroom learning and real-world applications."

Significant activities across the district included:

- Career exploration activities at Glacier View Secondary.
- A job fair with various presenters at Highland Secondary.
- Learning and exploration tables at Mark R. Isfeld Secondary.
- Classroom presentations and job fair at GP Vanier Secondary.

These initiatives provided students with valuable exposure to a diverse range of high-demand careers and fostered a deeper understanding of the connection between school learning and real-world applications. Comox Valley Schools is committed to preparing students for future success by highlighting the many different career opportunities available to them.

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## Backgrounder

People and organizations who contributed their time to SD 71's Careers and Related Activities Week.

- Mike Clarke - Engineering
- Shaun Cody - Lawyer at New Horizon Law
- Tanya Del Bianco - Nurse
- Ryan Thran - Knappett Projects
- Kyle Milburn - Environmental/Biologist
- Chantelle Townsend - Financial Planner at BMO
- Deb Roberts - Paramedic/Instructor
- Sgt. Stewart Masi - RCMP
- Ian Robertson - Courtenay Fire Department
- Nadyne Moldowan & Dan Campanalla - Mechanics at DN Auto
- Courtney McIntosh - HR at BC Ferries
- Jared Riddell - DFO (Department of Fisheries and Oceans)
- Sgt. Marc Loubier - CFB Comox
- Alison Kavaliunas & Amanda Huisman - HR at SD 71
- Donna Cloutier - Accounting at Cloutier Matthews
- Cam Thickett - HR at Mt. Washington
- Cale Lacasse - Owner of Lacasse Construction
- Rebecca Kleinman - Teddies & Toddlers Daycare
- Emma Thompson - Licensed Clinical Psychotherapist
- Trudy Barr - X-Ray Technician
- Kealy Donaldson - Entrepreneur at Kiki's Communications
- Jonthan Frazier - Chef at Locals
- Cory Niedjalski - Chiropractor at Hemlock Health
- Chris Lewis - Community Living BC
- Colin Holubowich - Pilot at Air Canada
- Kelsey Jeannotte - HR at McDonalds on Cliffe
- Alicia Robertson - Slegg Lumber
- Hannah - Comox Valley Tourism Centre
- Dan Wright - Thrifty Foods Courtenay
- Kris Trudeau - HPX Media, Digital Media, Author
- Ryan Williams – Remax Real Estate
- David Hall & Carla Whynott - Vancouver Island Health
- Deb Roberts - EMHS BC
- Marc Loubier - Military + Reserves
- Laura Weston - Lawyer
- Sarah Vallintine - Nurse- VIHA
- Lauren Hudson - Marine Biologist
- Ted Milner - Retired Kinesiology Professor at McGill
- Nicole Bertram - Owner of Sewing Spool
- Matt Low - Lawyer at Swift-Datoo

- Neil Bulman-Fleming - Biomed/Mech Engineer
- Caila Holbrook - Project Watershed
- Sylvie Rousseau - Occupational Therapist
- Shawn Fetter - Alitis Investment Counsel

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