

NATIONAL SKILLED TRADE AND TECHNOLOGY WEEK



ABOUT NATIONAL SKILLED TRADE AND TECHNOLOGY WEEK 2023

What is National Skilled Trade and Technology Week (NSTTW)?

This year, NSTTW runs from October 5 to 11 and is a key week in the annual Skills/Compétences Canada (SCC) calendar. The goal of the week is to raise awareness of the many career opportunities in skilled trades and technologies in Canada through hand-on events, in-school presentations, and engaging and inspiring social media content. During NSTTW organizations from across Canada get involved with SCC in a “hands-on” way to promote skilled trade and technology careers to youth, parents, and the public.

Why is it happening?

It is clear that skilled trade and technology careers are important for our economy and an excellent career path for many young Canadians. Yet many Canadians either do not know what trade careers look like or what they entail. This week of events and information is dedicated to raise awareness through insight into the career options available.

Skills/Compétences Canada works with its Member Organizations and partners to facilitate and host skilled trade and technology activities across Canada, to engage business and political leaders in discussions about the importance of these careers for our country, to focus media attention on these careers, and to highlight those individuals that pursued these paths themselves.

Goals

- Get Canada’s youth thinking about skilled trade and technology careers as a viable, interesting option.
- Get Canada’s youth to engage in projects/experiences involving skilled trades and technologies, fostering conversations between industry, teachers, and students.
- To engage with industry thought leaders and political decision makers creating a dialogue focused on the importance of encouraging uptake in skilled trade and technology careers. This will ensure that Canada remains at the forefront of competitive advantage in global economies.

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NSTTW Montréal Event Agenda

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

**John F. Kennedy High School,
Montréal, Québec**

Networking Breakfast

8:00 am to 9:30 am

This event will include special guests, educators, and industry leaders.

School Visits

9:30 am to 3:00 pm

(9:30 am to 12:00 pm and 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm)

Approximately 400 high school and middle school students from the Montreal area will experience hands-on activities aimed at increasing awareness and understanding of careers in the skilled trades and technologies, and the Skills for Success needed for these careers. This year's theme is *Reading*.