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Carlton Trail College, Horizon School Division Partnership Introduces Students to Welding

Program participation aims to spark interest in the trades

January 30, 2020 – Carlton Trail College and Horizon School Division are marking over 10 years of an experiential learning partnership that introduces Humboldt Collegiate Institute (HCI) students to welding safety, theory and techniques. This partnership enables the organizations to expose high school students to trades-based skills and opportunities, with Carlton Trail College providing the facility, machinery and tools and HCI providing hands-on instruction and further connection to opportunities such as Saskatchewan's Youth Apprenticeship program.

"We know that demand will remain strong for future job opportunities in the trades," said Deanna Gaetz, Business and Skills Training Manager for Carlton Trail College. "If we can help introduce students to opportunities such as welding while they're in high school, we hope their interest translates into further education, training or apprenticeship."

"The support of Horizon School Division and Carlton Trail College makes our welding program possible," said Cory Popoff, HCI Principal. "It's a great opportunity for our students to gain hands-on experience while learning about trades."

Eligible Grade 11 and 12 students must apply to participate in HCI's welding courses. During the academic year, course time is scheduled amidst Carlton Trail College's other trades-based programs that operate out of the facility.

Since the partnership began, over 200 HCI students have participated in welding courses at Carlton Trail College's trades facility in Humboldt.

Carlton Trail College

Carlton Trail College combines in-depth, applied learning with hands-on experience to provide career training for students residing in east-central Saskatchewan. Offering a range of technical education and skills training opportunities, Carlton Trail College serves over 2,000 students per year. 95% of our program graduates find employment in their field. Established in 1973, Carlton Trail College changes lives through learning.

Information about Carlton Trail College can be found at www.carltontrailcollege.com.

Horizon School Division

Horizon School Division No. 205 operates 43 schools across east-central Saskatchewan, with a central office in Humboldt. Horizon spans a geographic area of approximately 30,970 square kilometers, from Bulyea in the south, Wakaw in the north, Foam Lake in the east and Viscount in the west. The division is divided into 14 Subdivisions for purposes of representation on the Board of Education. Horizon's vision is to create a better world, one student at a time.

Information about Horizon School Division can be found at www.horizonsd.ca.



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