

What Can You Do to Prepare for the Rotary Career Symposium?

Explore Your Options!

Event Details & Preparation Suggestions

2018 Rotary Career Symposium Dates

Monday, April 16th, 2018 – 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Tuesday & Wednesday, April 17th & 18th, 2018 - 9:00am – 3:00pm

2018 Rotary Career Symposium Admission

Early Bird Pre-registered/Pre-paid students: \$3

**Early Bird Registration closes February 15th, 2018*

Tickets after February 15th and at the Door: \$4

Pre-Symposium Preparation

- ➤ Familiarize yourself with the RCS Guide and Teacher Info Sheet
- ➤ Explore the RCS site not only for detailed symposium information but also for an abundance of general information
- ➤ Promote the RCS Symposium in your school, on your school sign, on your TV monitors, in your community. Link your school site to www.careersymposium.ca
- ➤ When planning on which teachers will be attending the symposium, please note that one teacher/counsellor is required for every 30 students.
- ➤ Prepare your students. Hold in school sessions with the attending students prior to the symposium to help them prepare and fully benefit from the day. Encourage students to access the web for resources, including Career Cruising to help prepare them for their day at the Symposium.
- ➤ Requesting projects, assignments and reflections from students attending is a great way to get them thinking and planning for their future while providing greater focus for the symposium. Blackline masters contain several assignments which will allow students to explore possibilities, expand their search, prepare which questions to ask and after,

the symposium, share with their classmates and families. Blackline masters can be found on the Manitoba Education and Training's Career Development website:

www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/cur/cardev/gr9_found/blms/index.html
www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/cur/cardev/gr10_found/blms/index.html
www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/cur/cardev/gr11_found/blms/index.html
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- Review the RCS Guide with the students to help them plan their visit. Point out the Speaker Sessions, Career Chats, Career Café, Career Discovery, career booths including various businesses, industries and trades and post-secondary booths, etc.
- ➤ Provide students with an idea of what the schedule of the day could look like for them.
- ➤ Encourage students to bring a bag lunch with them. There is a designated lunch area on the third floor. Students are also welcome to bring money to purchase food directly on the premises.
- ➤ Please remember to keep checking the website for updated exhibitor and speaker information. Floor plans are available at careersymposium.ca.
- ➤ Distribute wristbands to the students on the bus on the way to the Symposium. These should arrive at your school about one week prior to the symposium. Wristbands are required for entry into all areas of the symposium. Teacher badges will not be pre-distributed. Teachers are required to check in at the registration booth to confirm arrival of students, provide an emergency contact number and verify the number of counsellors/teachers on-site as supervisors.

Arrival at the Convention Centre

School buses should unload in the loading zone directly in front of the York Avenue entrance.

If your students will be travelling to the RCS by bus with educators and staff, please ensure that before the students leave the bus upon arrival to the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg teachers announce their specific bus number so they know which bus to look for and to board on the way back to their school after the symposium.

When leaving the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg, buses may be parked anywhere around the perimeter of the RBC Convention Centre Winnipeg and we want students to be able to easily locate their buses.

Please select a meeting place to arrange to meet with students prior to boarding the bus and inform students of this meeting place. Some possible suggestions are: Main Floor (pick an area and point out this area to your students; the Symposium Lunch Area on the RBC Convention Centre; or floor North Area Concourse.

Ensure that your students know how to reach you at any time during their visit to the Symposium. Emergencies do happen and teachers are responsible for their students.

- As previously noted, teachers or one teacher representing their school should pick up Convention Centre (375 York Ave. entrance) upon arrival. Teachers are required to check in at the Registration Booth to confirm arrival of their students and verify the number of counsellors/teachers on-site as supervisors.
- Teachers and staff must remain available to guide, assist and supervise their students for maximum benefit from the symposium. Please remain visible to your students.
- ➤ Students are to remain in the building at the symposium at all times.
- ➤ If you need assistance at the Symposium, RCS Volunteers will be available as will RBC Security Personnel.

Post Symposium Follow-Up

If returning to schools on school buses with your students, please have them complete the RCS on-line survey. The RCS Board is very interested in students' and educators' feedback and opinions!

- ➤ Gather written assignments you may have requested from your students and follow up on the day's activities. Try to involve all staff in speaking to students about their symposium experiences and what they found interesting and learned about. Ask students to think about how they think their academic courses relate to their career interests?
- ➤ Continue to promote resources such as the Career Cruising website throughout the year to help students with career planning
- ➤ Create a link to our website www.careersymposium.ca
More than just Symposium details, it offers an abundance of career planning resources.

Hands-On Challenges at the 2018 Rotary Career Symposium!

Please review the experiential hands on career learning opportunities available at the Rotary Career Symposium for your students !

Career Discovery- Third Floor Exhibit Hall

Tuesday, April 17th & Wednesday, April 18th

9:00am – 3:00pm

Career Discovery showcases a variety of workplace technologies and high demand careers available in the modern world of manufacturing.

Visiting the Career Discovery activity center students will learn about the world of manufacturers & exporters! With hands-on activities, each activity station will simulate a step in the manufacturing cycle. Students will begin with design, and then to learn about the many steps of the build process and what it takes to complete a project in the final assembly phase.

During this process, there will be an opportunity to talk with industry professionals!

Career Chats – Third Floor Exhibit Hall

Tuesday, April 17th & Wednesday, April 18th

9:00am – 3:00pm

Students can join Manitoba Civil Service professionals, Manitoba Sector Council professionals and other professionals for round table 'chats' about their careers. Students can chat one on one, or in a group to find out what's new and exciting in a variety of career settings.

This setting allows students to learn directly from people about their career paths and specific information about jobs in Manitoba. Encourage your students to come and talk to industry professionals including sheriff's officers, human resource professionals, project managers, consultants with the aboriginal education directorate, recreation consultants, financial officers, microbiology lab employees, crown counsel, health and safety officers, tax auditors, coordinators from Aboriginal recruitment offices, public relation consultants, health services & provincial nursing stations and more!

This initiative provides an opportunity for a more personal approach and an opportunity to ask specific questions about careers of interest and receive relevant answers.

Interested in Technology?- Third Floor Exhibit Hall

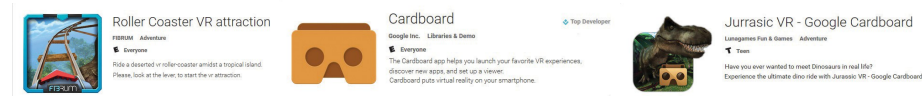
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As students think about a career in technology, they will experience virtual reality they will experience virtual reality in a simple, fun, and hands-on way with the Google Cardboard station in Career Discovery.

Cardboard is Google's do-it-yourself gateway into virtual reality, letting you strap your phone into a cardboard shell (with a couple of lenses) and immerse yourself in 3D worlds.

Excited to try it? Students can download the following suggested apps, **Google Cardboard**, **Rollercoaster VR** and **Jurassic VR**, on their phone before you arriving at RCS. They can then jump into the world of virtual reality, visit new places, play immersive games, fly through space and more! A great opportunity for students to explore opportunities for the future!



WARNING! Engineering is Fun!

Engineering Innovation Challenge – Third Floor Exhibit Hall

Tuesday, April 17th & Wednesday, April 18th
11:30am – 1:00pm

**Sign up on-site at the booth before 11:30am*

The Engineering Innovation Challenge invites you to design, build and test models to win great prizes!

Past challenges have had students building catapults to launch marshmallows, towers to support large amounts of weight, a structure to protect a dropped egg and more!

The Challenge runs during the noon hour. Look for the hanging sign on the south side of the 3rd floor.

Job Boards – Booth on the Third Floor

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Students can access the Jobs for Now profile board with real need-to-be-filled part-time and full-time jobs in Winnipeg; and a Jobs for Future profile board with career jobs from local and global employers to stimulate post-secondary educational choices.

Career coaches from Youth Employment Services will be on hand to counsel students about preparing job applications and approaching booths at the Career Symposium to practice the art of networking.

Students looking for employment are encouraged to bring their resumes with them!

Career Café - Located on the Third Floor

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You are invited to the Career Café to get involved in an interactive personal career experience! Journey through fun career choices as you explore and learn about:

- Résumé Writing Tips • Job Search Information
- Employment Services that are available to assist you
- Interview Skills
- Labour Market Information

Employment services experts will be available to guide you on your career path, help you develop skills and connect to services to empower you as you discover your career passion at **#RCS2018**

Use your Career Café passports as you travel from station to station.

Answer a skill testing question at our Career Games Wheel at the end of your journey at the Career Café, and enter to win great prizes! Don't miss the Career Café adventure located on the 3rd floor!