



LATTE Information

Merit Contractors Association, Alberta Construction Association and Red Deer Construction Association are funding a two year Learning About Trades and Technology Education (LATTE) pilot program in the Red Deer area. We will be working with your local school divisions to offer this innovative hands-on professional development experience to teachers and administrators. We hope that you will take this unique opportunity to learn about and experience the exciting skilled-trades of the construction industry by joining us for LATTE. Below is a summary of the LATTE program.

Teachers or administrators are placed for two full workdays with a local construction company in order to fully experience the true nature of our positive industry. The program will operate on a one for one basis; meaning that LATTE will offer to financially cover a professional development day and the division will sponsor the other professional development days.

Our goal is that through this professional development, your experience will strengthen your ability to help students achieve the career-focused outcomes of the 2013 Ministerial Order on Student Learning Outcomes. By experiencing the world of construction first-hand, we hope this will assist you:

- to build long-term partnerships with business,
- provide students a realistic picture of construction careers, and
- demonstrate the relevance of their current studies as necessary tools for their future careers.

The Program Takes Flight!

On May 31st and June 6th, 2 teachers from **Lindsay Thurber High School** spent 2 days with **Chandos Construction** learning all aspects of the construction industry. The first day was spent in the office learning how projects come together, scheduling, budgeting and coordination. There was great discussion on how High School curriculum in subjects such as math, English and science relate to how they are applied in our industry. The 2nd day was all on-site. The teachers spent the day at St. Joseph High School seeing hands-on how a project comes to life. **Thank you to the Lindsay Thurber High School and the staff at Chandos Construction.**



